

Maine Board of Osteopathic Licensure  
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**Minutes of May 13, 2021 Board Meeting – 9:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.**

Members Present: Melissa Michaud, PA-C, Board Chair; John Brewer, DO, Board Secretary; John Gaddis, DO; Marty McIntyre, Public Member; Peter Michaud, Public Member; Christine Munroe, DO; Brian Gillis, DO. Board Member excused: James Pisini, DO.

Others Present: Susan E. Strout, Executive Secretary; Lisa Wilson, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General; Nikolette Alexander, Consumer Assistance Specialist; Det. Michael Durham, Office of the Attorney General; Peter Somerville, Office of the Attorney General; Mariann Malay, Esquire; Amanda Richards, Executive Director, Maine Osteopathic Association; James Bailinson, Esquire; Sean McGarr, DO

Complaint and investigative reviews are held in Public Session without the use of names unless otherwise noted.

**I. Review of Complaint and Investigative Matters**

**A. CR2020 35 – Ms. McIntyre, Case Reporter**

Ms. McIntyre provided a brief update regarding the matter. Upon learning that a signed document pertinent to the matter had not yet been received, Board members took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Mr. Michaud and seconded by Dr. Brewer with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous in favor of tabling any further review or discussion of the matter until the June 2021 meeting. The Case Reporter abstained from voting.

Dr. Gillis was not yet present and did not participate in the above vote. He then joined the meeting near the beginning of the next complaint review.

**B. CR2020 36 – Dr. Brewer, Case Reporter**

Following a thorough review of the complaint, response and medical records, the Board took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Dr. Gaddis and seconded by Ms. McIntyre with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to dismiss the complaint as it did not rise to a level which would warrant action against the licensee. The Case Reporter abstained from voting.

**C. CR2020 40 – Ms. Michaud, Case Reporter**

Following review of the evaluation report (as ordered by the Board) and discussion, the Board took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Ms. McIntyre and seconded by Dr. Gillis with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to invite the licensee to attend an Informal Conference at an upcoming meeting. The Case Reporter abstained from voting.

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**D. CR2020 41 – Dr. Brewer, Case Reporter**

Following a thorough review of the materials but learning that there is a related issue which will come before the Board in June, the Board took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Ms. McIntyre and seconded by Ms. Michaud McIntyre with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to table any further review or discussion of the matter until the June 2021 meeting. The Case Reporter abstained from voting.

**E. CR2021 10 – Ms. McIntyre, Case Reporter**

Following a thorough review and discussion regarding the complaint, response and records, the Board took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Ms. Dr. Gaddis and seconded by Dr. Brewer with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to dismiss the complaint as it did not rise to a level which would warrant action against the licensee. The Case Reporter abstained from voting.

**F. CR2021 12 – Dr. Pisini, Case Reporter**

Following a thorough review and discussion regarding the complaint, response, records and rebuttal, the Board took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Mr. Michaud and seconded by Dr. Gaddis with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to dismiss the complaint as it did not rise to a level which would warrant action against the licensee. The Case Reporter was excused from the meeting.

**G. IN2021-16 – Ms. McIntyre, Case Reporter**

Following a thorough review of the mandated report received, the Board took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Ms. Michaud and seconded by Mr. Michaud with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to issue a complaint on the Board's own motion and to order a psychiatric/psychological evaluation. Dr. Gillis and the Case Reporter abstained from voting.

**H. IN2020 18 – Dr. Gillis, Case Reporter**

Following review and discussion regarding the materials presented, the Board took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Ms. McIntyre and seconded by Dr. Brewer with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to notify the licensee that he is to cease and desist from any type of clinical practice and for further investigation into potential fraud on multiple fronts. The Case Reporter abstained from voting.

The Board took a 10-minute break and resumed their work.

**II. Minutes/Revenue & Expense Reports**

**A. April 2021 Draft Meeting Minutes**

Following review, the Board took this action.

**MOTION:** Made by Ms. McIntyre and seconded by Dr. Gaddis with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to approve the minutes of the April 2021 minutes as written.

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**B. Review of April 2021 Revenue & Expense Reports<sup>1</sup>**

Board members reviewed the revenue and expense reports. No Board action necessary.

**III. Old & New Business/Miscellaneous**

**A. Chapter 6 – Telemedicine Rule Workgroup Participation**

Christine Munroe, DO and Brian Gillis, DO volunteered to represent the Board in the telemedicine rule updates workgroup.

**B. Chapter 12 – Office Based Treatment of Opioid Use Disorder (‘OBOT’)**

Mr. Michaud, Dr. Munroe and Dr. Brewer volunteered to represent the Board in the OBOT rule updates workgroup.

**C. Retention of Medical Records**

Ms. Alexander (Consumer Assistant) and Mrs. Strout noted multiple issues recently with a physician who stopped practicing, placed her records ‘in the cloud’ with a company for a few months and then ended her contract with that company. Several patients noted having had difficulty obtaining records when requested and then the phone number and mailing address from the website no longer were in service. Issue finally resolved but the Board may consider a records retention policy in the future. Ms. Strout will check to see if the MD Board would be interested in a writing a joint policy in the future.

**D. Physician Assistant Compact**

Ms. Michaud noted that there is much discussion regarding a licensure compact for physician assistants such as the one currently in place for physicians and nurses. No Board action was necessary.

**E. Legislation**

Board members reviewed some of the current legislation regarding telemedicine, etc. No Board action was necessary.

**IV. Permanent Licensure Applications**

**MOTION:** Made by Ms. McIntyre and seconded by Dr. Gaddis with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to approve the following applications for permanent licensure: Philip Cook, DO; Daniel Cuozzo, DO; Jessa Derania, DO; Bailey Ditmer, DO; Laura Gurenlian, DO; Erin Salter Hobson, DO; Robert Lyman, DO; John Malta, DO; Jacob Marceau, DO; Kristen Mazoki, DO; Nadia Nashed, DO; Mia Pivrotto, DO; Rebecca Schilling, DO; Robert Tavares, DO; Tsung-Yen Tzeng, DO.

A second motion was then made:

**MOTION:** Made by Ms. McIntyre, seconded by Mr. Michaud with the vote, via roll call, being unanimous to table any action on the permanent licensure application submitted by Stephen J Curtin, D.O.

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<sup>1</sup> Department of Administrative & Financial Services

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**V. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned, via unanimous roll call vote, at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan E. Strout, Executive Secretary