

Maine Board of Osteopathic Licensure
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Board Meeting Minutes
September 11, 2025 9:30 AM to 11:55 AM

Members Present: Christine Munroe, DO, Board Chair; John Brewer, DO, Board Secretary; Gust Stringos, DO; Dennis Smith, Public Member; Peter Michaud, JD, RN, Public Member; Paul Vinsel, DO; Amelia Hersey, PA-C; Mary-Anne Ponti, RN; Melissa Michaud, PA-C; Brian Gillis, DO

Members Absent: Lisa Ryan, DO, Vice-Chair

Others Present: Rachel MacArthur, Executive Secretary; Lisa Wilson, Esq., Asst Attorney General; Det. Lauren Edstrom, Attorney General's Office

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

1. COMPLAINTS/INVESTIGATIONS/COMPLIANCE

COMPLAINTS

A. 2024-20 Case Reporter: Dr. Ryan

Following a summary by Dr. Munroe and an update on the matter by AAG Wilson, the following action was taken by the Board:

MOTION: Accept Consent Agreement w/surrender of license.

Made by: Ms. Ponti Seconded by: Dr. Vinsel

Voted: Passed unanimously; Case Reporter was absent.

B&C. 2024-38 & 2024-48 Case Reporter: Ms. Michaud

Following review and discussion, the following action was taken by the Board:

MOTION: Accept the Consent Agreement as written.

Made by: Mr. Michaud Seconded by: Dr. Vinsel

Voted: Unanimously Passed; Case Reporter did not vote.

D. 2024-1 Case Reporter: Dr. Gillis

Following review and discussion, the following action was taken by the Board:

MOTION: Dismiss, as it does not rise to the level of Board action.

Made by: Ms. Michaud Seconded by: Dr. Stringos

Voted: Passed unanimously; Case Reporter did not vote.

E. 2025-22 Case Reporter: Ms. Ponti

Following review and discussion, the following action was taken by the Board:

MOTION: Dismiss, as it does not rise to the level of Board action.

Made by: Dr. Vinsel Seconded by: Dr. Stringos

Voted: Passed unanimously; Case Reporter did not vote.

F. 2025-30 Case Reporter: Dr. Munroe

Following review and discussion, the following action was taken by the Board:

MOTION: Table for more information regarding additional patients.

Made by: Mr. Michaud Seconded by: Ms. Michaud
Voted: Passed unanimously; Case Reporter did not vote.

COMPLIANCE

G. 2022-9 Case Reporter: Mr. Michaud

Mr. Michaud gave an overview of the evaluator's update. Dr. Vinsel suggested requesting a yearly "detailed" report like the one provided.

2. MINUTES & EXPENSE REPORTS

A. August 2025 Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Approve the meeting minutes as written.

Made by: Dr. Vinsel Seconded by: Ms. Ponti

Voted: Passed unanimously; Dr. Munroe abstained due to her absence.

3. LICENSURE MATTERS

A. Review of Permanent Licensure Applications:

Timothy McCord, DO

MOTION: Approve this applicant.

Made by: Ms. Michaud Seconded by: Dr. Vinsel

Voted: Passed unanimously; Mr. Smith abstained

Suraya Nahlawi, DO

MOTION: Approve the application if COMLEX testing results are received

Made by: Dr. Stringos Seconded by: Dr. Brewer

Voted: Passed unanimously

Ricki Sheldon, DO

MOTION: Table for clarification re: OMM residency.

Made by: Mr. Michaud Seconded by: Dr. Brewer

Voted: Passed unanimously

B. DO4173 License Ratification

MOTION: Ratify the previously approved licensee's application.

Made by: Mr. Michaud Seconded by: Dr. Brewer

Voted: Passed unanimously

C. DO4153 License Application Reconsideration

After review and discussion, the Board took the following action:

MOTION: Deny reconsideration and the application remains tabled until the CO matter is resolved.

Made by: Dr. Stringos Seconded by: Dr. Brewer

Voted: Passed unanimously

D. DO3918 License Re-application After review and discussion, the Board took the following action:

MOTION: Deny the license application.

Made by: Mr. Michaud Seconded by: Dr. Stringos

Voted: Passed unanimously

4. **OTHER BUSINESS**

A. **Consumer Feedback; Adjudicatory Hearing, Consent Agreement**

AAG Wilson gave a status update for the complaints that are awaiting adjudicatory hearings, and will continue to update the Board as new information becomes available.

B. **October 9th Meeting at UNE Campus**

Ms. MacArthur gave details regarding the Board meeting in October, which will be taking place at UNE's new osteopathic education facility in Portland.

C. **BOL/BOLIM Merger Feasibility Workgroup - meeting notes**

AAG Wilson, Mr. Smith, Mr. Michaud & Ms. Michaud gave updates regarding the workgroup's discussion at the last meeting.

D. **Policy Discussion - Withholding Response, Requesting Generic Response**

Ms. McLaughlin gave a synopsis of the reasoning behind this policy, and why it was felt that it was necessary.

MOTION: Approve the new Policy.

Made by: Dr. Stringos

Seconded by: Dr. Vinsel

Voted: Passed unanimously

E. **Chapter 2 (PA) Proposed Changes**

MOTION: Agree to propose the rule changes as written.

Made by: Ms. Michaud

Seconded by: Ms. Hersey

Voted: Passed unanimously

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

A. **MOTION:** to adjourn was brought at 11:55AM

Made by: Ms. Ponti

Seconded by: Ms. Michaud

Voted: Passed unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel MacArthur

Rachel MacArthur, Executive Secretary