

Maine Board of Osteopathic Licensure
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Minutes of July 11, 2019 Board Meeting – 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Members Present: Scott Thomas, D.O., Board Chair; Melissa Michaud, PA-C; John Brewer, D.O.; Marty McIntyre, Public Member; Ryan Smith, D.O.; Brian Gillis, D.O. Members Excused: James Pisini, D.O.; John Gaddis, D.O.

Others Present: Susan E. Strout, Executive Secretary; Lisa Wilson, Assistant Attorney General; Savannah Okoronkwo, Consumer Assistance Specialist; Det. James Gioia, Office of the Attorney General; Amanda Richards, Maine Osteopathic Association; Robert Turner; Emily Bloch, Esquire.

The Complaint Script was read by Dr. Thomas.

I. Complaints & Investigations

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

A. CR2017 25

Following review of the draft Consent Agreement, signed by the licensee, the Board took this action:

MOTION: Made by Dr. Thomas, seconded by Dr. Brewer and voted unanimously to accept the Consent Agreement as drafted and signed. Ms. McIntyre, Case Reporter, abstained.

B. CR2019 01

Following review of a summary of the interview conducted at the request of the Board, this action was taken:

MOTION: Made by Ms. Michaud, seconded by Ms. McIntyre and voted unanimously to dismiss the complaint as it did not rise to a level which would warrant Board action against the licensee. Dr. Smith, Case Reporter, abstained.

C. CR2019 06

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

MOTION: Made by Ms. McIntyre, seconded by Ms. Michaud and voted unanimously to dismiss the complaint as it did not rise to a level which would warrant action against the licensee. Dr. Smith, Case Reporter, abstained.

D. CR2019 11

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

MOTION: Made by Dr. Thomas, seconded by Ms. Michaud and voted unanimously to dismiss the complaint as it did not rise to a level which would warrant action against the licensee; Dr. Brewer, Case Reporter, abstained.

E. CR2019 14

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

MOTION: Made by Dr. Brewer, seconded by Dr. Thomas and voted unanimously to table any action on the matter pending further investigation.

II. Consent Agreement/Board Decision & Order Compliance & Updates

A. Kevin Kenerson, DO

In the absence of Dr. Gaddis (Case Reporter) no new concerns were noted. No Board action was necessary.

III. Minutes/Revenue & Expense Reports

A. Review of June 2019 Meeting Minutes

Following review of the draft minutes, the Board took this action:

MOTION: Made by Ms. McIntyre, seconded by Ms. Michaud and voted unanimously to approve the June 2019 meeting minutes.

B. Revenue & Expense Reports

The June 2019 revenue and expense reports, generated by DAFS¹, were reviewed and accepted.

IV. Other Business

A. Final Review of Joint Chapter 12 – Draft Basis Statement & Comments

Following their review of the draft statement and comments from the Board of Licensure in Medicine, the Board took this action:

MOTION: Made by Ms. Michaud, seconded by Ms. McIntyre and voted unanimously to accept the amendment proposed by the Board of Licensure in Medicine regarding Chapter 21, Section 5.4.B.1.

MOTION: Made by Ms. McIntyre, seconded by Dr. Brewer and voted unanimously to accept the amendment proposed by the Board of Licensure in Medicine regarding Chapter 21, Section 5.4.B.2

MOTION: Made by Ms. McIntyre, seconded by Dr. Thomas and voted unanimously to accept the basis statement as drafted.

B. Review of SPEX Information

Because some of the newer members were not as familiar with the SPEX exam which was discussed at the June meeting, the basic information was provided in the July materials. No Board action was necessary.

V. Licensure Matters

A. Permanent Licensure Applications

MOTION: Made by Dr. Ms. McIntyre, seconded by Ms. Michaud and voted unanimously to approve the licensure applications submitted by: Constance Kwan, D.O.; Gretchen Betts, D.O.; Giles Gifford, D.O.; Jeffri Williams, D.O.; Matthew Sharbaugh, D.O.; Lazarus Onwuka, D.O.; Christopher Mason, D.O.; Michael Noparstak, D.O.; Christopher Regnier, D.O. & Kristina Manion, D.O.

MOTION: Made by Ms. Michaud, seconded by Dr. Thomas and voted unanimously to table action on the application submitted by Michael Sorbello, DO to obtain further information.

B. Physician Assistant Applications

No PA applications were presented for review.

VI. Adjournment

A motion was made by Ms. McIntyre, seconded by Dr. Thomas and voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Susan E. Strout, Executive Secretary

¹ Division of Administrative & Financial Services