

STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AND FINANCIAL REGULATION OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL REGULATION BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC LICENSURE 35 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0035

> Anne L. Head, Esq. Commissioner

Geraldine L. Betts Administrator

Board of Chiropractic Licensure Minutes of October 18, 2023 Board Meeting

Virtual Meeting Public Notification and Hearing/Viewing Instructions Provided at the Opening of the Meeting by Board Chair Paul Morin.

CALL TO ORDER Chair Morin called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

# MEMBERS PRESENT

Paul Morin, Chiropractor, Chairperson Joseph Kerwin, Chiropractor, Vice Chair and Complaint Officer John Mark Laney, Chiropractor Luc Dionne, Chiropractor Richard Bruns, Chiropractor

# STAFF PRESENT

Geraldine L. Betts, Administrator Michael Miller, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel Meagan McLaughlin, Comprehensive Health Planner II Dominic Cotone, Comprehensive Health Planner I

# AGENDA MODIFICATIONS AND APPROVAL

Board Administrator Geraldine Betts and Assistant Attorney General Michael Miller made corrections to today's agenda as follows: Section IV. Complaint Presentation and Board Action to be listed as an application but does require board action. Section V. to be corrected as follows: "Katherine Porter – Request for Advisory Ruling pursuant to 5 M.R.S § 9001 regarding 32 M.R.S. § 503-B(4)(5)". Section VI. to be corrected as follows: "REQUEST FOR APPROVAL CHIROPRACTIC ASSISTANT COURSE OF STUDY – BOARD RULES CHAPTER 5, Sec2(C)–Tabled from May 3, 2023 board meeting".

Morin moved to adopt corrections to agenda, seconded by Kerwin. Unanimously voted.

# MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

May 3, 2023

Board Administrator Geraldine Betts and Assistant Attorney General Michael Miller made corrections to page one as follows: "COMPLAINT PROCESS PRESENTATION". Corrections to page two as follows: "Board discussed, and Paul Powers addressed the board to explain the program". Corrections to page three as follows: "Consent Agreement to include the following: 1) Admission to violation of 10 M.R.S. § 8003 G(2)(C), 2) Warning and 3) \$100.00 Civil Penalty".

Bruns moved to accept the minutes as corrected, seconded by Kerwin. Unanimously voted.

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### CORRESPONDENCE

2023-CHI-18813, Jason James Garrett

Mr. Garrett requests reconsideration of the Board vote on May 3, 2023, to preliminarily deny licensure with an offer of a Consent Agreement to include the following:1) Admission to violation of 10 M.R.S.§8003 G(2)(C), 2) Warning and 3) \$100.00 Civil Penalty.

Kerwin moved to withdraw Consent Agreement offer and grant license, seconded by Bruns. Unanimously voted.

*Katherine Porter, Request for Advisory Ruling pursuant to 5 M.R.S § 9001 regarding 32 M.R.S. § 503-B(4)(5).* 

The board discussed correspondence and requests more information to be submitted in writing. No motion required, Bruns recused.

### **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL CHIROPRACTIC ASSISTANT COURSE OF STUDY – BOARD RULES CHAPTER 5 § 2(C) – Tabled from May 3, 2023, board meeting.**

*Jake Ladenheim, Attorney-at-Law on behalf of ChiroCredit.com* The Board discussed the course of study request. Kerwin moved to approve the course, seconded by Bruns. Unanimously voted.

### TRAVEL

2024 Board travel to Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards, Inc. (FCLB) events as follows; Annual Conference: Planned for Phoenix, Arizona on May 1<sup>st</sup> to May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Motion by Paul Morin and seconded by Bruns as follows: Paul Morin, D.C., Delegate to FCLB Joseph Kerwin, D.C., Alternate Delegate to FCLB Unanimously voted.

2024 Board travel to National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE) events as follows;

1. Annual Delegate Meeting: May 4th, 2024 in Pheonix, Arizona.

2. Part III Standards Setting workshop: March 2024 in Greeley, CO.

3. Part IV Practical Examinations: May, 2024 (Multiple locations).

4. Part IV Test Committee meeting: June, 2024 in Greeley, CO.

5. Part IV Practical Examinations: November, 2024 (Multiple locations).

Motion by Paul Morin and seconded by Bruns as follows:

Paul Morin, D.C., Delegate to NBCE

Joseph Kerwin, D.C., Alternate Delegate to NBCE Unanimously voted.

### PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

No comment.

### ADJOURN

There being no further business Bruns moved to adjourn at 10:37 a.m., seconded by Kerwin. Unanimously voted.

Prepared By: Meagan McLaughlin, Comprehensive Health Planner II Board approved: February 21, 2024