

Maine Board of Chiropractic Licensure
Minutes of November 19, 2025, 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 Paul Morin called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Paul Morin, D.C., Chiropractor Member, Chairperson
Dr. Luc Dionne, D.C., Chiropractor Member
Dr. Richard Bruns, D.C., Chiropractor Member
Dr. John Mark Laney, D.C., Chiropractor Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dr. Joseph Kerwin, D.C., Chiropractor Member, Vice Chair and Complaint Officer

STAFF PRESENT

Penny Vaillancourt, Director
John Belisle, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel
Meagan Trussell, Comprehensive Health Planner II
Clark Phinney, Comprehensive Health Planner II
Dominic Cotone, Comprehensive Health Planner II
Celia Robinson, Comprehensive Health Planner II

MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

June 25, 2025

Bruns moved to accept the minutes of June 19, 2025, as written, seconded by Dionne. Laney and Morin in favor; Kerwin absent.

CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUESTS

J. Stephen Anderson, CR598

Dionne moved to approve request and waive 48-hours of continuing education for biennium ending December 31, 2025, seconded by Bruns. Laney and Morning in favor; Kerwin absent.

Julie Leblanc-Tilley, CR1161

Bruns moved to approve request to complete continuing education for biennium ending December 31, 2025 via Category II, seconded by Dionne. Laney and Morin in favor; Kerwin absent.

Angela Lemire, CR2170

Bruns moved to approve request to complete continuing education for biennium ending December 31, 2025 via Category II, seconded by Laney, Dionne and Morin in favor; Kerwin absent.

2026 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE REVIEW

Board members reviewed and accepted proposed 2026 meeting dates.

COMPLAINT PRESENTATION(S) AND BOARD ACTION

2025-CHI-20744

Dionne moved to dismiss 2025-CHI-20744 with no evidence of a violation of the Board's Laws and Rules, seconded by Laney. Bruns and Morin in favor; Kerwin absent.

2025-CHI-20804

Dionne moved to dismiss 2025-CHI-20804 with no evidence of a violation of the Board's Laws and Rules, seconded by Laney. Bruns and Morin in favor; Kerwin absent.

2025-CHI-20851

Bruns moved to dismiss 2025-CHI-20851 with no evidence of a violation of the Board's Laws and Rules, seconded by Laney. Dionne and Morin in favor; Kerwin absent.

2025-CHI-20783

Bruns moved to table 2025-CHI-20783 for further investigation, and request additional information from the licensee, seconded by Laney. Dionne and Morin in favor; Kerwin absent.

2025-CHI-20787

Bruns moved to table 2025-CHI-20787 for further investigation, and additional information from licensee, seconded by Laney. Dionne and Morin in favor; Kerwin absent.

2025-CHI-20964

Bruns moved to table 2025-CHI-20964 for further investigation and request additional information from licensee, seconded by Laney. Dionne and Morin in favor; Kerwin absent.

APPLICATION REVIEW AND BOARD ACTION

Patrick Dunphy, CR2875

Bruns moved to approve and issue licensure to Patrick Dunphy, License No. CR287, seconded by Dionne, Laney and Morin in favor; Kerwin absent.

Jennifer Lindsay, CRA3133

Bruns moved to approve and issue licensure to Jennifer Lindsay, License No. CRA3133, seconded by Dionne. Laney and Morin in favor; Kerwin absent.

Geoffrey O'Neil, TA3083

Dionne moved to approve and issue licensure to Geoffrey O'Neil, License No. TA3083, seconded Bruns. Laney and Morin in favor; Kerwin absent.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Penny Vaillancourt addressed Board members regarding LD 1220 "An Act to Allow Chiropractors to Treat Dogs and Equids" and possible statutory and rule updates to expand the scope of practice. Board member Laney agreed to participate in the stakeholder process.

FEDERATION OF CHIROPRACTIC LICENSING BOARD (FCLB) CONFERENCE UPDATE

Board Chair Morin briefed Board members of his attendance of the District II & IV meeting in Portland, Maine. Topics of discussion: return on the investments of obtaining a healthcare degree of any kind.

Morin moved to nominate himself as delegate for the 2026 FCLB Annual Conference, seconded by Bruns. Dionne and Laney in favor; Kerwin absent. Morin moved to nominate himself as delegate for the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE) 2026 Annual Conference, seconded Bruns Dionne and Laney in favor; Kerwin absent.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Dionne moved to nominate Morin as Board Chair, seconded by Bruns. Laney and Morin in favor; Kerwin absent.

Dionne moved to nominate Kerwin as Vice Chair, seconded by Bruns. Laney and Morin in favor; Kerwin absent.

Dionne moved to nominate Kerwin as Complaint Officer, seconded by Bruns. Laney and Morin in favor; Kerwin absent.

PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

(Board Chair Statement) "Under this item, the Board will offer an opportunity to members of the public in attendance to comment on any public matter under the jurisdiction of the Board. While the Board cannot take action on any issues presented, nor can it respond to or debate decisions made today, including matters relating to complaints cases. The board will listen to comments and may ask staff to place the issue on a subsequent agenda. At the discretion of the Board, a time limit on comments may be set."

No public comments.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to discuss, Bruns moved to adjourn at 11:46a.m., seconded by Dionne. Laney and Morin in favor, Kerwin absent.