

NEVADA STATE BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

****PUBLIC NOTICE****

BOARD MEETING

December 14, 2021 @ 5:30 PM

AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATION:

Nevada State Board of Osteopathic Medicine ~ Conference Room 2275 Corporate Circle, Suite 210 Henderson, NV 89074 Public Call in Number: 1-866-854-6779; Meeting Code: 7492532#

NOTE: Per Governor Sisolak's Directive 44, beginning June 1, 2021, Board meetings will return to holding meetings at physical locations.

*** MINUTES***

I. CALL TO ORDER (Discussion/For Possible Action) Ronald Hedger, D.O., President, Roll call to determine presence of a quorum Board Members: Ronald Hedger, D.O. Samir Pancholi, D.O. Ricardo Almaguer, D.O. Carla Perlotto, Ph.D., Public Member Swadeep Nigam, MSc, MBA, Public Member Board Staff: Sandra Reed, Executive Director Louis Ling, Esq., Board Counsel Public:

Susan Fisher Troy Rauschenberger Amanda Prescia Amanda Carter Dan Albertson

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

NOTE: *Prior to the commencement and conclusion of a contested case or a quasi-judicial proceeding that may affect the due process rights of an individual, the board may refuse to consider public comment. See NRS 233B.126.* No Comments.

III. APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 9, 2021 (Discussion/For Possible Action) Ronald Hedger, D.O., President Dr. Pancholi made a motion to approve the minutes from November 9, 2021; seconded by Dr. Almaguer. There being no discussion, the minutes were approved by the Board.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA TO GRANT LICENSURE FOR OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIANS, PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS, SPECIAL EVENT AND SPECIAL LICENSES

(Discussion/For Possible Action) Ronald Hedger, D.O., President Under this item the Board may consider the recommendations of the Executive Director and/or President/Vice President to grant licensure to the below listed applicants. The Board may remove any applicant's name from the consent motion, but may not discuss the contents of the application for licensure without the applicant present following proper notice pursuant to the open meeting law.

Osteopathic Physician Name

Haroon Andar, D.O. Tatiana Atkins. D.O. James Binkard, D.O. Mokhtar Boukhari, D.O. Alfonso Castellucci, D.O. Craig Clifford, D.O. Shelia Davis, D.O. Wayne Farley, Jr., D.O. Morgan Figurelle, D.O. Todd Hang, D.O. Chris Harasym, D.O. Nikan Khatibi, D.O. Sai Kottapalli, D.O. Michael Lin, D.O. Corv Lum, D.O. Parneet Parekh, D.O. Jeffrev Ruterbusch, D.O. David Terry, D.O. Casev Thomas, D.O. Kevin Urmaza, D.O. Richard Winkelmann, D.O.

Specialty

Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Anesthesiology Family Medicine Neurology **Emergency Medicine** Internal Medicine Family Medicine OB/GYN Neurology Family Medicine **Orthopedics** Anesthesiology Vascular Surgery Internal Medicine Internal Medicine Anesthesiology Sports Medicine Vascular Surgery Critical Care – Surgery Family Medicine **Dermatology**

Physician Assistant

Chad Francom, PA-C Lawrence Lopez, PA-C Madelyn Waychoff, PA-C Supervising Physician

Jonathan Slothower, D.O. John DiMuro, D.O. Active-Not Working

Ms. Reed noted Johol Chan, D.O. requested to hold his application for approval until a future meeting. Dr. Perlotto made a motion to approve the licensees as written (removing Dr. Chan); seconded by Mr. Nigam. There being no discussion, the Board approved licensure.

V. CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF PROPOSALS FOR LICENSING DATA BASE

SERVICES, (Discussion/For Possible Action) Ronald Hedger, D.O., President Ms. Reed explained current licensing data base is in need of updating. After contacting three companies, two of them submitted proposals: Big Picture Software and Thentia. Representatives from each company briefly presented their proposal and answered questions from Board members. Dr. Hedger proposed tabling this item until next meeting to give time for further review of each proposal.

VI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- *a. Financial Statements* Ms. Reed noted the new bookkeeper is now providing quarterly financial statements.
- *b. Licensing* Numbers continue to grow. Outstanding license renewals number at around 500.
- VII. LEGAL REPORT (Discussion/For Possible Action) by Louis Ling, Board Counsel Mr. Ling had nothing to report.
- VIII. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE (Discussion/For Possible Action) by Susan Fisher, Board Government Affairs/Lobbyist

Ms. Fisher researched the question related to how the number of Board members is determined. She indicated there is no formula for making that determination. As for legislative matters, people are beginning to declare candidacy ahead of the filing date in March. Ms. Fisher added no legislative committees, other than Interim Finance and Legislative Commission, are meeting at this time.

IX. ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION/ACTION/UPCOMING AGENDA

Mr. Nigam requested revisiting a policy addressing osteopathic physicians or physician assistants who engage in disinformation, misinformation, or use of information that may not be medically valid, as it relates to COVID-19. He requested a board member who is an osteopathic physician assist with participating in a committee to draft a misinformation policy. Ms. Reed will add an item to next month's agenda for the Board to discuss/approve a subcommittee addressing a COVID-19 misinformation policy.

X. PRESIDENT'S REPORT on Board Business, Ronald Hedger, D.O., President

Dr. Hedger noted the annual FSMB meeting is scheduled for April 28-30, 2022, to be held both in-person in New Orleans and virtually. Dr. Almaguer volunteered to attend and be the voting delegate for the Board.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENT

No Comments.

Dr. Hedger made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dr. Almaguer, and approved by the Board.

Minutes were approved by the Board at the January 11, 2022 meeting.