



# NEVADA STATE BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

\*\*\*\*PUBLIC NOTICE\*\*\*\*

## **BOARD MEETING**

**August 8, 2023 @ 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: 1-866-705-2554; Meeting Code: 226691#*

## **\*\*\* MINUTES \*\*\***

**I. CALL TO ORDER (Discussion/ For Possible Action) Paul Mausling, D.O., President**  
*Roll call to determine presence of a quorum.*

Board Members present:

Paul Mausling, D.O.  
Swadeep Nigam, MSc, MBA, Public Member  
Paul Janda, D.O.  
Jaldeep Daulat, D.O.  
Carla Perlotto, PhD  
Samir Pancholi, D.O.  
Daniel Curtis, D.O.

Board Staff present:

Frank DiMaggio, Executive Director  
Carolyn Klein, Administrative Assistant  
Richard Dreitzer, Esq., Board Counsel  
Chricy Harris, Deputy Attorney General

Public:

Susan Fisher  
Dominque Katona, Nevada Academy of Physician Assistants  
Mark Chase

**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.*

Dominique Katona introduced herself as the new President of the Nevada Academy of Physician Assistants. Ms. Katona stated that she was present to answer any questions the Board may have and she provided a brief summary of the 2023 legislative session as it pertained to physician assistants.

There were no further public comments.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Discussion/For Possible Action) Paul Mausling, D.O., President**

*a. Board Meeting Minutes from June 15, 2023*

Dr. Janda made a motion to approve the Board meeting minutes from June 15, 2023; seconded by Dr. Mausling. There being no discussion, the Board meeting minutes from June 15, 2023, were unanimously approved by the Board.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA TO GRANT LICENSURE FOR OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIANS, PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS, SPECIAL LICENSES, AND RESTORATION OF LICENSE (Discussion/ For Possible Action) Paul Mausling, 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.*

<b><i>Osteopathic Physician Name</i></b>	<b><i>Specialty</i></b>
<i>Andrew Agbi, D.O.</i>	<i>Emergency Medicine</i>
<i>Paulina Altshuler, D.O.</i>	<i>OB/GYN</i>
<i>Samantha Avery, D.O.</i>	<i>Internal Medicine</i>
<i>Michelle Baek, D.O.</i>	<i>Family Medicine</i>
<i>David Barnes, D.O.</i>	<i>Orthopedic Surgery</i>
<i>Daniel Brown, D.O.</i>	<i>Emergency Medicine</i>
<i>Mark Chen, D.O.</i>	<i>Family Medicine</i>
<i>John Choi, D.O.</i>	<i>Emergency Medicine</i>
<i>Jacob Christensen, D.O.</i>	<i>Psychiatry</i>
<i>Carla Cortez, D.O.</i>	<i>Family Medicine</i>
<i>Anthony Desoasido, D.O.</i>	<i>Internal Medicine</i>
<i>Robert Duncan, D.O.</i>	<i>Family Medicine</i>
<i>Justin Edwards, D.O.</i>	<i>Psychiatry</i>
<i>Joseph Enayati, D.O.</i>	<i>Pain Medicine</i>
<i>Mary Ezeanuna, D.O.</i>	<i>Rheumatology</i>
<i>David Fink, D.O.</i>	<i>Family Medicine</i>
<i>Scott Goodsell, D.O.</i>	<i>Emergency Medicine</i>
<i>Vivian Hathuc, D.O.</i>	<i>Pathology</i>
<i>Brandon Harvey, D.O.</i>	<i>OB/GYN</i>
<i>Colson Healy, D.O.</i>	<i>Family Medicine</i>
<i>Cheryl Hilton, D.O.</i>	<i>Internal Medicine</i>
<i>Logan Holman, D.O.</i>	<i>Pediatrics</i>
<i>Yongwoon Huh, D.O.</i>	<i>Family Medicine</i>
<i>Jessica Jacob, D.O.</i>	<i>Internal Medicine</i>
<i>Chase Jeppesen, D.O.</i>	<i>Radiology, Diagnostic</i>
<i>Raheel Khan, D.O.</i>	<i>Psychiatry</i>
<i>Damien Kinzler, D.O.</i>	<i>Emergency Medicine</i>
<i>Bruce Koyle, D.O.</i>	<i>Family Medicine</i>
<i>Ian Weng Lam, D.O.</i>	<i>Family Medicine</i>

Graham Litchman, D.O.  
Karina Luera, D.O.  
Ashley Maestas, D.O.  
Shiny Mandla, D.O.  
Robert Matyas, D.O.  
Elizabeth Miller, D.O.  
Joseph Miller, D.O.  
William Moffat, D.O.  
Gopi Narra, D.O.  
Christopher Nguyen, D.O.  
Peter Nguyen, D.O.  
Saima Nur, D.O.  
James Poling, D.O.  
Ibrahim Quadri, D.O.  
Katerina Roma, D.O.  
Alis Roose, D.O.  
Joshua Roose, D.O.  
Andrew Schnure, D.O.  
Matthew Schuch, D.O.  
Laura Sery, D.O.  
David Silber, D.O.  
Lillian Smith, D.O.  
Tanner Souza, D.O.  
Justin Staples, D.O.  
Charmaine Camille Tan, D.O.  
Xuanchinh Tran, D.O.  
Charles Wang, D.O.

Dermatology  
Family Medicine  
Psychiatry  
Pediatrics  
Family Medicine  
Emergency Medicine  
Emergency Medicine  
Family Medicine  
Internal Medicine  
Internal Medicine  
Emergency Medicine  
Internal Medicine  
General Surgery  
Internal Medicine  
Internal Medicine  
Pediatrics  
Family Medicine  
Neurology  
Orthopedic Surgery  
Emergency Medicine  
Cardiology  
Emergency Medicine  
Family Medicine  
Anesthesiology  
Internal Medicine  
Internal Medicine  
Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

**Physician Assistant Name**

William Kryst, PA-C  
Rebecca Lockwood, PA-C  
Richard O'Bringer, PA-C  
Krystal Steckel, PA-C  
Cassie Wellock, PA-C

**Supervising Physician**

Active – Not Working  
Dana Vitale, D.O.  
Amit Parekh, D.O.  
Nader Helmi, D.O.  
Catherine Pinkston, D.O.

**Effective 07/01/2023**

**Special Licenses NRS.633.411:**

Khalid Al-Rayess, D.O.  
Linsey Bui, D.O.  
Lily Chen, D.O.  
Linda Chun, D.O.  
Stephen Comeau, D.O.  
Krishna Dhanyamraji, D.O.  
Amy Doan, D.O.  
Kinat Faizi, D.O.  
Linda Feng, D.O.  
Ken Geraldi, D.O.  
Ellyn Hirabayashi, D.O.  
Caleb Huang, D.O.  
Stephen Hutchins, D.O.  
Tiffany Javier, D.O.  
Ameer Khalek, D.O.  
Emma Kiefer, D.O.

St. Rose – Internal Medicine  
Valley – Internal Medicine  
Valley – Internal Medicine  
Valley – Neurology  
Mountain View – General Surgery  
Mountain View – General Surgery  
VHS – Family Medicine  
Mountain View - OBGYN  
Valley – Internal Medicine  
UNLV – Internal Medicine  
Valley – Internal Medicine  
Valley – Family Medicine  
Mountain View – Emergency Medicine  
Valley – Internal Medicine  
St. Rose – Internal Medicine  
Nellis - OBGYN

Mike Lim, D.O.  
Krista Luntsford, D.O.  
Meghan Mahalawat, D.O.  
Christine Meacham-Felling, D.O.  
Clare O'Grady, D.O.  
Christopher Pace, D.O.  
Tajveer Sangha, D.O.  
Duke Shen, D.O.  
Tha Sok, D.O.  
Christian Tran, D.O.  
Sein Tun, D.O.  
Marissa Wierzbicki, D.O.  
Brinton Wise, D.O.  
Ilya Yegudkin, D.O.  
Zade Zahlan, D.O.

Mountain View – Diagnostic Radiology  
UNR - Pediatrics  
UNR – Internal Medicine  
Mountain View – Emergency Medicine  
UNR – Hospice & Palliative Medicine  
Valley – Internal Medicine  
Mountain View – Internal Medicine  
Mountain View – PM & R  
St. Rose – Internal Medicine  
Valley – Internal Medicine  
Valley – Family Medicine  
UNLV – Emergency Medicine  
VHS – Internal Medicine  
Valley – Internal Medicine  
Mountain View – Internal Medicine

**Restoration of License:**

Michael Chen, D.O.  
Brooks Wright, D.O.

**Specialty**

Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation  
Emergency Medicine

Dr. Perlotto made a motion to approve the licenses for the applicants as written above except for Mary Ezeanuna, D.O., who was removed from consideration by Dr. Mausling; seconded by Dr. Curtis. There being no discussion, the Board unanimously approved licensure for the applicants as written above except for Mary Ezeanuna, D.O.

**V. +DISCUSSION/CONSIDERATION/ACTION REGARDING LITIGATION CONCERNING ALLEGED BREACH OF SECOND RESTITUTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN JOHN “TREY” DELAP AND THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE (“SRA”) (Discussion/For Possible Action) NOTE: The Board may go into closed session to consult with legal counsel pursuant to NRS 241.015(3)(b)(2). Paul Mausling, D.O., President**

Dr. Janda made a motion to go into closed session; seconded by Dr. Perlotto. There being no discussion, the Board unanimously approved going into closed session.

Dr. Perlotto made a motion to go back into open session; seconded by Dr. Curtis. There being no discussion, the Board unanimously approved going back into open session.

Dr. Mausling made a motion to approve the Third Restitution Agreement between John “Trey” Delap and the Nevada State Board of Osteopathic Medicine; seconded by Dr. Curtis. There being no discussion, the Board unanimously approved the Third Restitution Agreement between John “Trey” Delap and the Nevada State Board of Osteopathic Medicine.

**VI. DISCUSSION/CONSIDERATION/POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING BOARD CONTRACT FOR LEGISLATIVE SERVICES (Discussion/ For Possible Action) Paul Mausling, D.O., President**

Executive Director Frank DiMaggio stated that the legislative services contract with McDonald Carano with whom Susan Fisher is employed will expire at the end of this year. Ms. Fisher has advised Executive Director DiMaggio that their fees will increase by \$250 per month at the expiration of this current contract. This will result in an increase from \$39,000.00/year to \$42,000.00/year. Executive Director DiMaggio asked whether any Board members had any suggestions for any other legislative services firms and whether the Board wanted to take other bids.

Dr. Mausling stated that it may be worth looking into other bids to see who else is available.

Mr. Nigam asked if the Board really needed a lobbyist. He stated that he believes that this should be the job of the Board members and the Executive Director; that the Board members and Executive Director would be able to go one on one with Senators and members of the Assembly to guide and educate them on any of the issues relating to public health and the Board.

Dr. Mausling stated his belief that full-time physicians who are Board members would not have the time to perform all the work a legislative services representative does.

Dr. Pancholi believes it is very important for the Board to have a legislative services representative; that a legislative services representative can hear and know what issues are coming up before the legislature.

Dr. Curtis stated that he agreed with both Mr. Nigam and Dr. Pancholi because the Board may not necessarily need a legislative services representative, but should the Board have one. Dr. Curtis felt that a legislative services representative will spot things and be able to come to the Board with important issues. The Board may miss something without a legislative services representative.

Dr. Perlotto stated that the legislative services representative's job is a full-time job keeping track of all the legislative issues that could affect the Board and she would not want to add that job to the Executive Director's duties.

Dr. Curtis stated that he felt the Board should stay with Susan Fisher (of McDonald Carano) because the \$200.00 per month increase is not that much. Dr. Curtis also suggested that if the Board wanted to, this could be put it out for bid and voted upon at the next Board meeting. Dr. Curtis stated that there are not a lot of legislative services firms that represent Medical Boards.

Dr. Pancholi asked Ms. Fisher how many healthcare Boards she represents. Ms. Fisher stated that this Board is the only medical Board her firm represents. She also stated her firm has represented this Board during five legislative sessions which is ten years.

Dr. Curtis made a motion to renew the contract for legislative services with McDonald Carano with the proposed additional cost of \$200 per month; seconded by Dr. Pancholi. There being no discussion, the Board unanimously approved to renew the legislative services contract with McDonald Carano with the proposed additional cost of \$200 per month.

**VII. DISCUSSION/CONSIDERATION/POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE BOARD'S CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME) AUDIT POLICY IN ACCORDANCE WITH AB 124 (Discussion/ For Possible Action) Paul Mausling, D.O., President**

Executive Director Frank DiMaggio stated that AB 124 amends NRS 633.471(3) to state the Board shall request submission of verified evidence of completion of the required number of hours of CME annually from a percentage of applicants for renewal of a license to practice medicine or to practice as a physician assistant as determined by the Board. That statute, prior to AB 124 being signed into law by Governor Lombardo, required that the Board annually select no fewer than one-third of the applicants for renewal of a license for a CME audit; AB 124 now leaves it up to the Board to establish a policy as to how many or what percentage of applicants for renewal of a license to audit for CME compliance. Executive Director DiMaggio drafted proposed language based on comments made during a previous Board meeting when this topic was discussed and stated that many of the Board members seemed to favor a ten percent number of applicants for renewal of a license to be audited for CME compliance.

Dr. Mausling made a motion to accept the Board's Continuing Medical Education Audit draft policy which requires the Board to request submission of verified evidence of completion of the required number of hours of CME annually from ten percent of applicants for renewal of a license to practice medicine or to practice as a physician assistant; seconded by Dr. Curtis. There being no discussion, the Board unanimously approved the Board's Continuing Medical Education Audit draft policy.

**VIII. DISCUSSION/CONSIDERATION/POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING WORDING OF ATTESTATION FOR THE BOARD'S APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE/RENEWAL (Discussion/ For Possible Action) Paul Mausling, D.O., President**

Executive Director Frank DiMaggio stated that at the Board's June meeting, the Board approved removing the mental health and substance abuse questions from all the board licensing and renewal applications. The Board stated its desire to adopt an attestation clause to substitute for the removed questions on the licensing and renewal applications. Executive Director DiMaggio provided the Board with a draft attestation clause based on the one used by the Board in North Carolina which would meet with FSMB approval. Executive Director DiMaggio stated he prepared two drafts of the attestation clause with the only differences being a signature line for applicants on one and a check box for applicants on the other.

Dr. Perlotto asked if our system would allow for an actual online signature. Executive Director DiMaggio stated that he felt our system would not allow for such a signature, but we could create a separate attestation clause document for applicants to sign. Dr. Perlotto stated that she did not think it warranted having applicants print out a separate document and then getting it notarized. Dr. Perlotto said she was concerned that, with a check box, an applicant might check the box without reading or knowing what it says.

Dr. Curtis wanted to know whether we would have the online ability to have the check box and also require the applicant to add their initials to it on the new system. Executive Director DiMaggio said he would check into it.

Dr Curtis made a motion to approve the language of the draft attestation clause and to use the check box for online applications and renewals and then to revisit the matter when Thentia comes on board; seconded by Dr. Perlotto. There being no discussion, the Board unanimously approved the language of the draft attestation clause and to use the check box for online applications and renewals and then to revisit the matter when Thentia comes on board.

**IX. CONSIDERATION OF AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF HEALTH PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS AND MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING REGARDING THE SAME, (Discussion/For Possible Action) Paul Mausling, D.O., President**

Executive Director Frank DiMaggio stated this agenda item relates to agenda item number eight and that, at the last Board meeting, Dr. Curtis asked if the Board could provide licensees with any resources for those who may be having mental health or substance abuse issues. Executive Director DiMaggio stated that he has been in contact with two such resources, namely Mark Chase with PRN and Misty Guantonio with Thrivewell. Executive Director DiMaggio provided draft memorandums of understanding (MOU) to Mr. Chase and Ms. Guantonio and both of them have approved the MOUs.

Dr. Curtis stated that this area is within Dr. Perlotto's area of expertise and wanted to know if she thought there were any other such organizations that could be added to the list. Dr. Perlotto stated that there are many solo practitioners in this area of practice.

Mr. Chase stated he does a lot of work with the Nevada State Bar which provides such resources and offers a free assessment.

Dr. Curtis stated he would like the Board's website to contain a statement that if a licensee is having any problems or issues with alcohol, drugs, and/or mental health, the licensee could contact the Board for resources.

Dr. Perlotto stated that if the Board's website did contain such a statement, she would have a concern and would want the listed resources to be vetted as not every provider has the resources to work with this kind of clientele.

Executive Director DiMaggio stated that he prepared draft language for Health Professional Assistance Programs for the Board's review and that this language, if approved by the Board, could be added to the Board's website. It would provide general information to licensees and would list contact information for PRN and Thrivewell. It would further state that these two organizations entered into memorandums of understanding with the Board. Executive Director DiMaggio stated that if a licensee contacted the Board office about such matters, the licensee would be referred to our website page containing the Health Professional Assistance Programs. Executive Director DiMaggio suggested that the Board may want to consider whether to approve the draft language for Health Professional Assistance Programs, whether to approve posting such on the Board's website, and whether to give Executive Director DiMaggio authority to sign the Memorandums of Understanding with PRN and Thrivewell.

Dr. Curtis made a motion to approve the language for Health Professional Assistance Programs, to post the same on the Board's website, and to authorize Executive Director DiMaggio to sign the Memorandums of Understanding on behalf of the Board with PRN and Thrivewell; seconded by Dr. Mausling. There being no discussion, the Board unanimously approved the language for Health Professional Assistance Programs, posting the same on the Board's website, and authorizing Executive Director DiMaggio to sign the Memorandums of Understanding on behalf of the Board with PRN and Thrivewell.

## **X. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- a. *Financial Statements*- Executive Director DiMaggio stated that the Board approved the budget for fiscal year 2023-2024 at the last Board meeting. The auditors have recently been to the Board office and are in the process of looking at and examining all financial documents. The auditors will be preparing their final audit report by the end of October or beginning of November. Mr. DiMaggio has also had email inquiries from the Division of Business and Industry requesting copies of certain information. Mr. DiMaggio has provided the requested information to them.
- b. *Licensing*- Executive Director DiMaggio stated that licensing has increased as of July 31, 2023. FSMB had a Board of Directors meeting July 13-15, 2023 and they reported that the number of licensed physicians with a DO degree continues to grow at a much faster pace than licensed physicians with a MD degree. Between 2010 and 2022 the number of licensed osteopathic physicians increased by 89% compared to 18% increase for licensed allopathic physicians. FSMB also stated that their Board of Directors approved adopting a draft regulation on "Recognition of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons" for consideration by the International Association of Medical Regulatory Authorities Members General Assembly at its meeting on November 9, 2023.
- c. *Comments*- Executive Director DiMaggio stated that he and Board staff continue to work with Thentia which will replace K3 for our licensing needs but he has encountered several road blocks. He submitted to Thentia a proposed deadline of August 15, 2023, for Thentia to complete production. The Board entered into the contract with Thentia in March 2022 and we are still going through issues with their system. Executive

Director DiMaggio stated that the invoice from Thentia received in February 2023 has not been paid by agreement with Thentia.

Executive Director DiMaggio stated that the service level agreement with EITS was approved by the Board at the last Board meeting. EITS will be assisting us in setting up audio/video conferencing in the Board room. EITS proposed that the Board purchase an 85-inch TV monitor on one wall and a 65-inch TV monitor on the other wall along with the purchase of the necessary A/V equipment, cabling and wiring to give the Board access to conferencing abilities by Microsoft Teams.

**XI. *LEGAL REPORT (Discussion/For Possible Action) by Richard Dreitzer (Fennemore Craig, LLC) Board Counsel***

Mr. Dreitzer stated he had nothing new to report at this time but he is continuing to work on pending Board matters.

**XII. *LEGISLATIVE UPDATE (Discussion/For Possible Action) by Susan Fisher, Board Government Affairs/Lobbyist***

Susan Fisher stated that both this Board and the Nevada Medical Board are working on drafting regulations necessary to implement the provisions of AB 270 regarding anesthesiologist assistants. AB 270 was signed by the Governor and went into effect June 9, 2023. Ms. Fisher stated that she provided Executive Director DiMaggio with a copy of regulations from the Utah Medical Board which has a similar law pertaining to anesthesiologist assistants.

**XIII. *ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION/ACTION/UPCOMING AGENDA***

Dr. Curtis stated he wanted to add to the upcoming agenda for discussion the possibility of the Board offering two-year license renewals to help lessen the load on the Board staff.

**XIV. *PRESIDENT'S REPORT on Board Business, Paul Mausling, D.O., President***

Dr. Mausling announced that he will be resigning from the Board after the September Board meeting. He has served on the Board for eight years and he has enjoyed working with the Board.

**XV. *PUBLIC COMMENT***

No public comments were received.

**XVI. *ADJOURNMENT (For Possible Action) Paul Mausling, D.O., President***

Dr. Mausling made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Dr. Perlotto. There being no discussion, the Board unanimously approved adjourning the meeting.

**Minutes approved by the Board at the September 12, 2023 Board Meeting.**