



NEVADA STATE BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

****PUBLIC NOTICE****

BOARD MEETING

January 14, 2020 @ 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#

***** 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.
Paul Mausling, D.O.
Samir Pancholi, D.O.
C. Dean Milne, D.O.
Swadeep Nigam MSc, MBA, Public Member
Carla Perlotto Ph.D., Public Member

Board Staff:

Sandra Reed, Executive Director
Louis Ling, Esq., Board Counsel

Public:

Susan Fisher
Michael West
Hal Taylor, Esq.

Per Statute, the Chair or President is required before each meeting to ask if anyone from the public is listening on the telephone; and, if so, to identify himself or herself, and whether they could hear the meeting.

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 OPEN AND CLOSED BOARD MEETING MINUTES FROM December 10, 2019 (Discussion/For Possible Action) Ronald Hedger, D.O., President
Mr. Nigam made a motion to approve the minutes from December 10, 2019 minutes; seconded by Dr. Pancholi. There being no discussion, the minutes were approved by the Board.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA TO GRANT LICENSURE FOR OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIANS, PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS 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	Specialty
Imran Akhtar, D. O.	Orthopedic Surgery
Daniel Flinn, D.O.	Orthopedic Surgery
Sarah Nicole Javier, D.O.	OB/GYN
Jeremy Sporrang, D.O.	Family Medicine
Osman Tahir, D.O.	Diagnostic Radiology
Physician Assistant	Supervising Physician
Michael Choi, PA-C	Robert Yang, D.O.
Jordan Christensen, PA-C	Brian Ault, D.O.
Lucia Sanchez, PA-C	Eithne-Marie Barton D.O.
Steven Savage, PA-C	None - Active Not-Working
Special Event	
Chris Surek, D.O.	Dermatology

Special Licenses NRS.633.411:
Chelsea Wiesner, D.O. Kingman/Sunrise
There was a motion to approve the licensees as written by Dr. Pancholi; seconded by Dr. Perlotto. There being no discussion, the Board approved licensure.

V. + CONSIDERATION OF AND POTENTIAL ACTION REGARDING PAYMENT SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT ORDER WITH CHRISTOPHER HUSSAR, D.O., (Discussion/For Possible Action) (NOTE: The Board may go into closed session pursuant to NRS 241. because the discussion may involve matters involving legal advice related to ongoing litigation.). Ronald Hedger, D.O., President
Mr. Ling explained the Settlement Agreement and Order (SAO). Dr. Hussar is to pay \$5900 in fees and costs which includes the costs for subpoenas to obtain medical records. He is fined \$5000, but if he fully complies with this order the Board would waive \$3000 of the fine, reducing it to \$2000. Some of the requirements of SAO are as follows: Dr. Hussar will be on probation for one-year, and will not actively engage in treating patients, except for current long-standing patients he will continue to treat. He will be limited to prescribing no more than a five day supply of opioid medications. The Board will periodically monitor his prescribing methods for controlled substances. He will not perform cosmetic or bariatric treatments except for patients with whom he already has a physician patient relationship. The Board will identify a practice monitor at Dr. Hussar's expense to ensure his compliance with the SAO. The probation period will not expire if Dr. Hussar has violated any of the SAO terms or fails to pay the sums due. After the probation term is completed, he will

confine his practice as stated in the SAO. A motion was made by Dr. Milne to approve the agreement and seconded by Dr. Mausling. There being some discussion, the Board approved the agreement with four approving and two opposed.

VI. CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF REVISED FY 2018-2019 AUDIT AS REQUIRED PER NRS 218G.400, (Discussion/For Possible Action) Ronald Hedger, D.O.

Ms. Reed explained that the Board was notified by the Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) that the audit was deficient in post-employment health benefit calculations under GASB75. The auditor made the necessary calculations and submitted to the Board for approval the revised audit for FY 2018-2019. Mr. Swadeep made a motion to approve the revised audit and seconded by Dr. Perlotto. There being no discussion, the revised audit was approved.

VII. PRESENTATION BY THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT TASK FORCE

Mr. Michael West, United States Justice Department, gave a presentation on fraud and abuse detection, prevention, and reporting. The Board will post the presentation document on the website.

VIII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- a. Financial Statements
- b. Licensing – Approximately 44 licensees have not renewed.
- c. Staffing – A complaint/licensing specialist has been recently hired.

IX. LEGAL REPORT (Discussion/For Possible Action) by Louis Ling, Board Counsel and/or Justin Taruc, Deputy Attorney General

No comments.

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

Ms. Fisher stated that legislative committee on healthcare is meeting on January 15, 2020. She recommended sending our approved minutes and newsletters to this LCB committee. Several policy recommendations were made by various people at the December 11, 2019 healthcare committee meeting; primarily involving public health improvements, additional funding for sex education among other recommendations. Bill drafts for data collections may be introduced over the next few months. Ms. Fisher mentioned the status of a possible oversight agency to act as an “umbrella” over licensing boards. There may be a delay due to the issues to resolve the need for increased resources for education. Advocates for physician assistants will be presenting a bill in the 2021 legislative session addressing independence of practice.

XI. ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION/ACTION/UPCOMING AGENDA

No comments.

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

Dr. Hedger will be going to the AAOE meeting in February 2020.

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

No Comments.

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

Minutes approved by the Board at the February 11, 2020 Board Meeting.