

MINUTES

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THE SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF PODIATRY EXAMINERS

Board Meeting of Monday, June 3, 2019

Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building
110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Bradley Keefer, of Murrell's Inlet, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting of the South Carolina Board of Podiatry Examiners to order at 3:02 p.m. on Monday, June 3, 2019, with a quorum present. Other members of the Board present included Dr. James B. Cahill, of Sumter, Dr. Rahn Ravenell, of Mt. Pleasant, and Dr. Brad Lindstrom, of Simpsonville.

Members of the staff participating or present at various times in the meeting included: Emily Farr, Agency Director; Sheridon Spoon, Administrator; Adam Russell, Office of Advice Counsel; Shanika Johnson, Office of Disciplinary Counsel; Gregg Hinson, Office of Investigations and Enforcement; Temeka Atkinson, Administrative Assistant; and Katie Phillips, Office of Communications and Governmental Affairs.

All votes by the Board reported in these minutes were unanimous unless otherwise indicated.

Dr. Keefer announced that the meeting was being held in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act by notice to *The State* newspaper, Associated Press, and notices posted on the bulletin boards located at both the main entrances of the Kingstree Building where the Board office is located.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the agenda for this meeting and the minutes from the December 3, 2018 meeting and Dr. Cahill made a motion to approve the agenda and minutes. Dr. Lindstrom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

AGENCY DIRECTOR REMARKS

LLR Agency Director, Emily Farr, addressed the board and introduced Finance Director Abhijit Deshpande. Director Farr explained the new process regarding how Board financial reports would be disseminated to the Board members. She advised that the Agency will review license fees for each board as required by law and also that on July 1, 2019 LLR will launch a redesigned website and agency logo.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Katie Phillips from the Office of Communications and Governmental Affairs presented an overview of current relevant pending legislation—Physician assistant , APRNs, Genetic counseling, the Prescription monitoring program and the Joint Underwriting Association legislation.

OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT

Gregg Hinson, OIE Chief Investigator, presented to the Board the OIE Training Report for 2019 and Statistics of Cases for the First through Second Quarters year-to-date 2019. He presented the IRC report, which included Case 2018-1 for dismissal. Dr. Lindstrom made a motion to accept the IRC recommendation of dismissal for the case. Dr. Ravenell seconded the motion. Motion carried. Case 2018-3 was presented for a Letter of Caution. Dr. Lindstrom made a motion to accept; Ravenell seconded. Motion carried.

APPLICATION HEARING

Dr. Marcela Farrer, DPM, Applicant for licensure

Dr. Marcela Farrer, DPM appeared with counsel in support of the application. Dr. Farrer and her attorney answered questions from the Board members and requested the application be approved. Dr. Lindstrom made a motion to go into Executive Session. Dr. Ravenell seconded. Motion carried.

Executive Session

Dr. Cahill made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Dr. Ravenell seconded. Motion carried. Dr. Cahill made a motion to grant approval of licensure to Dr. Farrer. Dr. Lindstrom seconded. Motion Carried

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1—Acceptance of Disciplinary Consent Agreements

Shanika Johnson, Office of Disciplinary Counsel, spoke to Board about possibility of the Board considering Consent Agreement as an option for discipline in addition to Board Appearance or Memorandum of Agreement.

Dr. Lindstrom made a motion to go into Executive Session. Dr. Cahill seconded motion. Motion carried.

Executive Session

Dr. Lindstrom made a motion to return from Executive Session. Dr. Cahill seconded motion to return from Executive Session. Motion carried. Dr. Keefer announced that after further discussion, the Board opted not to consider disciplinary consent agreements at this time.

2—APMA Annual meeting credits for CME

Dr Cahill made a motion to accept. Dr. Lindstrom seconded. Motion carried.

3--Board Examination Process

The board briefly discussed new process of reviewing completed applications via the Secure Board Member Website vs in-person examination process.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Dr. Lindstrom moved to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Dr. Ravenell. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for 3:00 p.m. on Monday December 2, 2019 in rm. 202-02.

Respectfully
submitted,

Temeka Atkinson,
Administrave Asst.