

MINUTES

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THE SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF PODIATRY EXAMINERS

*Board Meeting of Monday, December 5, 2022 3:00 pm via
Web-Ex Video Conference*

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 regular meeting of the South Carolina Board of Podiatry Examiners to order at 03:00 p.m. on Monday, December 5, 2022, via Web-Ex Video Conference with a quorum present. Other members of the Board present included Dr. James B. Cahill, of Sumter, Dr. William Harris IV, of Rock Hill. Excused Absence: Dr. Rahn Ravenell, of Mt. Pleasant.

Members of the staff participating or present at various times in the meeting included: Margaret Murdock, Administrator; Megan Flannery, Office of Advice Counsel; Katie Harlacher, Program Coordinator; Amanda Branham, Office of Investigations and Enforcement; and Shanika Johnson Moore, Office of Disciplinary Counsel.

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 AGENDA AND MINUTES

The Agenda for this meeting and the Board minutes from the June 6, 2022 Podiatry Board meeting were reviewed. Dr. Keefer called for a motion to be made to approve the agenda and minutes. Dr. Cahill made a motion to approve the agenda and minutes which was seconded by Dr. Harris. Motion carried.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Ms. Murdock, Board administrator, presented the Legislative update on behalf of Katie Phillips, Office of Government Affairs. She advised the Board members that the pre-file dates for the upcoming Legislative session would be: November 30, 2022 and December 7, 2022 for the Senate. The pre-file dates for the House would be December 8, 2022 and December 15, 2022. She also advised that the Office of Government Affairs was seeking a Legislative Primary point of contact from amongst the Board. Dr. Keefer offered to be the Legislative contact for the Podiatry Board.

OFFICE OF INVESTIGATION AND ENFORCEMENT (OIE) REPORT

Amanda Branham, Chief Investigator for Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE), presented the IRC report which included three cases presented for Dismissal: Case #2021-7, Case 2022-1 and Case #2022-2. Dr. Cahill made a motion to approve the dismissals. Dr. Keefer seconded. Motion carried.

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL (ODC)

Shanika Johnson Moore advised the Board that ODC had a Podiatric case that was pending which could potentially be ready for a hearing at the next scheduled Board meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS;

1—Drafting regulation regarding Podiatrists supervision of Hyperbaric Oxygen treatments

After a brief discussion, the Board decided to have the Ms. Flannery, Advice Counsel, draft a proposal of legislation regarding Podiatrist supervision of Hyperbaric Oxygen treatments. She will present her draft to the Board at their next scheduled meeting.

2—Podiatry Board elections for Central and Upper Districts

Ms. Murdock advised that the Central and Upper District Board seats on the Board have expired. Notice of Elections will be mailed out to all eligible licensees residing in those districts.

3—Joint Podiatric Surgery Advisory Committee seats

Ms. Flannery advised that the two Podiatric seats on the Joint Podiatric Surgery Advisory Committee have expired. She suggested that the Board email notifications to all eligible Podiatrists to announce the seat openings and give interested licensees an opportunity to submit letters of interest to the Board for consideration.

4—Review potential questions for Podiatry Renewal application regarding American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgery (ABFAS) board certification/qualification

The Board reviewed potential language to add a question to the Podiatry renewal application regarding ABFAS board certification/qualification. They came to an agreement on the language they considered appropriate to be added to the renewal application.

CHAIRMAN’S REMARKS

None.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REMARKS

Ms. Murdock advised the Board members that two new Podiatry applications have been received and three Podiatry licenses have been issued so far this year.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Dr. Cahill moved to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Dr. Harris. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 3:29 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for June 5, 2023 at 3:00 pm.

Respectfully
submitted,

Temeka
Atkinson,
Administrative
Assistant