

MINUTES

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THE SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF PODIATRY EXAMINERS

Board Meeting of Monday, June 5, 2023 3:00 pm

Synergy Business Park, Kingtree 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 03:17 p.m. on Monday, June 5, 2023, with a quorum present. Other members of the Board present included Dr. James B. Cahill, of Sumter, Dr. William Harris IV, of Rock Hill and 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; Temeka Atkinson, Administrative Assistant; Amanda Branham, Office of Investigations and Enforcement; Donnell Jennings, 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 Kingtree Building where the Board office is located.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

The Agenda for this meeting and the Board minutes from the December 5, 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. Ravenell. Motion carried.

OFFICE OF INVESTIGATION AND ENFORCEMENT (OIE) REPORT

Donnell Jennings, Program Manager for OIE introduced himself to the Board and advised that there was going to be some restructuring done in OIE, however, there would be no changes in OIE's duties for the Board. Amanda Branham, Chief Investigator for Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE), presented the OIE Statistical report and Training

report which included training courses that the OIE investigators were scheduled to attend in 2023. There were no Investigative Committee Review (IRC) cases to present to the Board.

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL (ODC)

MOA Final hearing was held for [Name Withheld] Case No. 2021-2 MOA

Shanika Johnson Moore, Asst. Disciplinary Counsel presented Case No. 2021-2 concerning the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the State and [Name Withheld] to the Board members.

Dr. Cahill made a motion to go into Executive Session. Dr. Ravenell seconded. Motion approved.

Dr. Cahill made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Dr. Ravenell seconded. Motion approved. The Board issued a Letter of Caution (closed).

PROPOSAL OF LEGISLATION DRAFT

Ms. Flannery and the Board members made final decisions on the changes to the Podiatry Regulations that were previously discussed. They agreed to have a special called meeting at a later date to make the final approvals.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1—Board Elections

Ms. Murdock advised the Board that the Upper District seat election ballots were being prepared to be mailed out. There were no letters of interest for the Central District seat. Also, there will be a Notice of Election sent out for the Lower District seat.

2—Joint Podiatric Surgery Advisory Committee (JPSAC) seats

Ms. Murdock notified the Board that there would be an E-blast sent out to all active, licensed Podiatrists regarding the two Podiatric seats open on the JPSAC. The E-Blast will go out by email once the Podiatry Board election notices are mailed out.

3—Legislative Update

Megan Flannery presented current Legislative updates.

4—New DEA Medication Access and Training Expansion (MATE) Act Requirements

Information was provided to the Board members directly from the website of the U.S. Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration and from a letter provided by the American Podiatric Medical Association (APMA) regarding the new DEA required coursework for all practitioners that have an active DEA registration.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

None.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REMARKS

Ms. Murdock explained that there have been some amendments submitted for updates to the Podiatry Board Regulations under 10-32, to include the initial license application fee, the duplicate wallet card and wall certificate fees, and edits to the Reinstatement application fee.

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 5:00 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for December 4, 2023 at 3:00 pm.

Respectfully
submitted,

Temeka
Atkinson,
Administrative
Assistant