

NEBRASKA BOARD OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY

MEETING MINUTES

June 15, 2018

ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Medicine and Surgery was called to order by Vice-Chairperson, Todd Stull, MD, at 9:00 a.m. on June 15, 2018, in the Light House Room, Country Inn & Suites, 5353 N. 27th, Lincoln, Nebraska. The following members answered the roll call:

Todd Stull, MD, Vice-Chairperson
John Massey, MD, Secretary
Carl Smith, MD,
Michael Bittles, MD
Judith Scott, DO

Absent:
Jeffrey Howorth
Mark Goodman, MD, Chairperson
Merle Henkenius

A quorum was present and the meeting convened.

Also present to participate in the meeting: Kathie Lueke, Program Manager, Jan Gadeken-Harris, Health Licensing Coordinator, Licensure Unit; Mindy Lester, Assistant Attorney General; Kathleen Krueger, Investigator, Mark Meyerson, Investigator, Anna Harrison, Compliance Monitor, from Licensing and Investigations.

REVIEW OF AGENDA

Scott moved, seconded by Smith, to approve adoption of the agenda. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Smith moved, seconded by Massey to approve the minutes for May 4, 2018, as presented. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

INVESTIGATIONAL REPORTS, DISCIPLINARY REPORTS, APPLICATION REVIEW – CLOSED SESSION

Bittles moved, seconded by Smith, to go into closed session at 9:03 a.m. for the purpose of review and discussion of investigative reports, disciplinary reports, licensure applications, and other confidential information, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

Massey recused himself from the meeting at 9:04 a.m.

Massey returned to the meeting at 9:16 a.m.

Bittles moved, seconded by Smith, to open the session at 10:02 a.m. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

APPLICATION REVIEW – OPEN SESSION

Physician and Osteopathic Physician Initial Application(s)

BALLARD, JEDEDIAH AMOS, DO - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Smith moved, seconded by Bittles, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

BENTON, ALPHONSO BRENNELL, MD - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Smith moved, seconded by Scott, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

CHANDRA, SAMUEL ASHOK, MD - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Scott moved, seconded by Smith, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

DORON, TZVI YOSEF, DO - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Smith moved, seconded by Scott, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

FENSTER, MICHAEL SCOTT, MD - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Smith moved, seconded by Bittles, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

FLORA, MARK STEPHEN, MD - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Bittles moved, seconded by Smith, to recommend issuance of a license with a five (5) year probation with the standard dependency terms and conditions and compliance with the (CPHP) Colorado Physician Health Program. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

HARRIS, STEPHANIE MARIE, MD - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Smith moved, seconded by Massey, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

LUHRS, KAYLA JANA, MD – application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Smith moved, seconded by Massey, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

SMITH, ADAM BRYANT, MD - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Scott moved, seconded by Smith, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

STEVENSON, JULIA CATHERINE, MD - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Smith moved, seconded by Massey, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

VALENCERINA, MADELEINE MENDOZA, MD - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Bittles moved, seconded by Scott, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

Physician and Osteopathic Physician Reinstatement Application(s)

AGUIRRE, MARIA LOURDES, MD - application for reinstatement of a license to practice medicine and surgery. Smith moved, seconded by Massey, to recommend reinstatement of the license. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

Temporary Education Permit(s)

KASTER, MICHAEL JOHN, MD - application for a Temporary Education Permit to practice medicine and surgery. Smith moved, seconded by Scott, to recommend issuance of a Temporary Education Permit. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

SHIN, DAVID TAEHO, DO - application for a Temporary Education Permit to practice medicine and surgery. Scott moved, seconded by Smith, to recommend issuance of a Temporary Education Permit. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

PHARMACEUTICAL CARE AGREEMENTS

There were no comments or concerns by board members on the pharmaceutical care agreements for review at this meeting.

2018 LEGISLATIVE BILLS

Discussion was held on LB731 38-145, regarding the continuing competency requirements for physicians who prescribe controlled substances. Smith moved, seconded by Massey that the 3 hours of continuing education biennially regarding prescribing opiates be inclusive with the required 50 hours of Category 1. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

Kathie Lueke noted that with the 2018 physician online renewal applications there will be two new features:

- Active-Military attestation waiver for renewal fees and continuing education.
- Selecting to sign up to register for the Nebraska Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP).

Dale Mahlman and Meghan Chaffee, staff members with the Nebraska Medical Association, were present at the meeting to discuss with the Board any concerns with recent legislation.

Dale made an announcement to the Board that Dr. John Massey has been voted the “2018 Nebraska Medical Association Physician of the Year”. Dr. Massey will be recognized for the award at the NMA Annual meeting September 14, 2018 in Omaha.

Meghan noted the need to get active participation from physicians to register for the PDMP.

FYI'S

FSMB Advocacy Network News – No Board comments at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Scott moved, seconded by Bittles to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 a.m. Voting aye: Bittles, Massey, Scott, Smith, and Stull. Voting nay: none. Absent: Goodman, Henkenius and Howorth. Abstain: none. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

signature available upon request

John Massey, MD, Secretary
Board of Medicine and Surgery