

NEBRASKA BOARD OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY

MEETING MINUTES

March 11, 2016

ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Medicine and Surgery was called to order by Vice-Chair, Mark Goodman, MD, at 10:02 a.m. on March 11, 2016, in the Lighthouse Room, Country Inn & Suites, 5353 N 27th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. The following members answered the roll call:

Mark Goodman, MD, Vice-Chair
Judith Scott, DO
Todd Stull, MD, Secretary
Karen Higgins, MD
Michael Bittles, MD

Absent: Merle Henkenius
Carl Smith, MD, Chairman
Jeff Howorth

A quorum was present and the meeting convened.

Also present to participate in the meeting: Kathie Lueke, Program Manager, Kelli Dalrymple, Health Licensing Coordinator, Licensure Unit; Mindy Lester, Assistant Attorney General, Jeff Newman, Investigator; Dennis Scott, Investigator, Peggy Persell, Program Manager, Investigations Unit; Suzanna Glover-Etrich, Department Legal Counsel.

REVIEW OF AGENDA

Adoption of Agenda

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Higgins moved, seconded by Bittles, to approve the minutes of the meeting for January 22, 2016, as presented. Voting aye: Scott, Stull, Goodman, Bittles and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

DESIGNATION OF METHOD BY WHICH THIS BODY WILL GIVE PUBLIC NOTICE OF ITS MEETINGS

Higgins moved, seconded by Bittles, to continue to utilize the three current methods to give public notice of Board of Medicine and Surgery meetings. The current methods are to post the agenda on the Department public bulletin board and on the Department website, and to e-mail the agenda to all interested parties. Voting aye: Higgins, Scott, Bittles, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

INVESTIGATIONAL REPORTS, DISCIPLINARY REPORTS, APPLICATION REVIEW

Bittles moved, seconded by Scott, to go into closed session at 10:05 a.m. for the purpose of review of investigational and disciplinary reports and other closed session items as identified on the agenda. Voting aye: Scott, Stull, Goodman, Bittles and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

Higgins moved, seconded by Bittles, to open the session at 11:09 a.m. Voting aye: Scott, Stull, Goodman, Bittles and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS ON APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

Physician and Osteopathic Physician Application(s)

AGBULOS, GERARD - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Higgins moved, seconded by Stull, to table pending additional information. Voting aye: Stull, Goodman, Bittles, Scott and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

ALI, MAYSUN - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Scott moved, seconded by Bittles, to table pending additional information. Voting aye: Scott, Stull, Goodman, Bittles and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

CERVANTES, ROBERTO - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Higgins moved, seconded by Scott, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Stull, Goodman, Bittles, Scott and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

FARIVAR, BABAK - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Scott moved, seconded by Bittles, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Stull, Goodman, Bittles, Scott and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

HOPKINS, ALICIA - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Higgins moved, seconded by Stull, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Stull, Goodman, Bittles, Scott and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

KESSLER, JOSHUA - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Bittles moved, seconded by Scott, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Stull, Goodman, Bittles, Scott and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

PATHAK, KAMAL - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Scott moved, seconded by Stull, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Stull, Goodman, Bittles, Scott and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

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

BREWER, THOMAS - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Higgins moved, seconded by Scott, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Stull, Goodman, Bittles, Scott and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

MIKE-MAYER, HENRIK - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Higgins moved, seconded by Bittles, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Stull, Goodman, Bittles, Scott and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

SINOR, BAKHTI - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Higgins moved, seconded by Bittles, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Stull, Goodman, Bittles, Scott and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

EUTENEUER, JOSHUA - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Higgins moved, seconded by Stull, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Stull, Goodman, Bittles, Scott and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

Physician and Osteopathic Reinstatement

NYSTROM, NILS - application for reinstatement of a license to practice medicine and surgery. Scott moved, seconded by Bittles, to recommend reinstatement of the license. Voting aye: Stull, Goodman, Bittles, Scott and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

Physician Locum Tenens

NOVEY, WALTER - application for a locum tenens license. Higgins moved, seconded by Stull, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Stull, Goodman, Bittles, Scott and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

TAKAKUWA, KEVIN - application for a locum tenens license. Higgins moved, seconded by Bittles, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Stull, Goodman, Bittles, Scott and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

CHITTURI, SRIHARI - application for a locum tenens license. Bittles moved, seconded by Stull, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Stull, Goodman, Bittles, Scott and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

VU, HANG - application for a locum tenens license. Scott moved, seconded by Higgins, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Stull, Goodman, Bittles, Scott and Higgins. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried.

E-Mail Ballots Since the Last Board Meeting

Since the last Board meeting, the Board voted to issue a physician license to Steven Guyton.

2016 LEGISLATION UPDATE

Jina Ragland from the Nebraska Medical Association provided an update of legislation bills that the NMA is tracking.

REQUEST FROM AG FOR BOARD OPINION ON DRY NEEDLING

The Board discussed the request from the AG's office and their opinion is to not restrict the use of dry needling.

PRESCRIBING GUIDELINES REVIEW

The Board reviewed the current guidelines adopted from 2012, along with the guidelines chart from the Pharmacy Board and the draft CDC guidelines. The decision was made to table any changes until the CDC guidelines have been approved.

FSMB POSITION STATEMENT

The Board reviewed information regarding FSMB position statement and there was no discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Higgins moved, seconded by Scott, to adjourn the meeting at 12:13 pm. Voting aye: Scott, Stull, Higgins, Bittles and Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Henkenius, Smith and Howorth. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

signature available upon request

Todd Stull, Secretary
Board of Medicine and Surgery