

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF PODIATRY
March 18, 2016

ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Podiatry was called to order at 11:11 am on March 18, 2016, by Torrey Rassfeld, DPM, Vice-Chair, in the Licensure Unit Conference Room, Nebraska State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. The following members answered the roll call:

Torrey B. Rassfeld, DPM, Vice-Chair
Richard J. Raska, DPM, Secretary
R. McLaran Sawyer

Absent: Scott C. Nelson, DPM, Chairman

A quorum was present and the meeting convened. Also present to participate in the meeting were Ami Huff, Assistant Attorney General; Peggy Percell, Program Manager, Investigations Department, Kathie Lueke, Program Manager; and Kelli Dalrymple, Health Licensing Coordinator.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Raska moved, seconded by Sawyer, to adopt the agenda. Voting aye: Rassfeld, Sawyer and Raska. Voting nay: none. Absent: Nelson. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Raska moved, seconded by Sawyer, to approve the August 18, 2015 minutes as presented. Voting aye: Rassfeld, Sawyer and Raska. Voting nay: none. Absent: Nelson. Motion carried.

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

Rassfeld moved, seconded by Raska, to continue giving notice to the public of meetings of the Board by posting the agenda on the Department website and bulletin board, e-mailing the agenda to interested parties and all licensees with a current e-mail address on record with the Department. Voting aye: Rassfeld, Sawyer, Raska. Voting nay: none. Absent: Nelson. Motion carried.

INVESTIGATIONAL REPORTS AND APPLICATION REVIEW

Raska moved, seconded by Sawyer, to go into closed session at 11:13 a.m. for the purpose of the investigational reports and application review. Voting aye: Rassfeld, Sawyer and Raska. Voting nay: none. Absent: Nelson. Motion carried.

Raska moved, seconded by Sawyer, to return to open session at 11:45 a.m. Voting aye: Rassfeld, Sawyer and Raska. Voting nay: none. Absent: Nelson. Motion carried.

PODIATRIC LIMITED RADIOGRAPHER APPLICATIONS FOR INITIAL LICENSURE – BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS

Bethany Paulson – application for podiatric limited radiographer license. Raska moved, seconded by Rassfeld, to table a recommendation on this application pending further information. Voting aye: Rassfeld, Sawyer and Raska. Voting nay: none. Absent: Nelson. Motion carried.

**UPDATE OF NAC 172 CHAPTER 143 (REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE PRACTICE OF
PODIATRY, 2008 VERSION)**

The Board members requested for the draft regulations to be emailed to them for review.

QUESTIONS RELATED TO MEDICATION REGULATIONS

The Board members discussed concerns related to the definition on the scope of practice for podiatry as identified in the proposed regulations for Chapter 19-000 Podiatry Services. Since the definition within the proposed regulations for Medicaid services differed from statutory language on the practice of podiatry, the board will send a letter to the Director of the Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care asking that the definition within the proposed regulations be replaced with the language found in state statute.

CONTINUING EDUCATION APPROVAL

Raska moved, seconded by Sawyer, to deny the CME approval request for National Expert Witness Conference due to the fact that it does not pertain to the practice of podiatry. Voting aye: Rassfeld, Sawyer and Raska. Voting nay: none. Absent: Nelson. Motion carried.

Sawyer moved, seconded by Raska to approve the CME request from Datasource: Foot and Ankle Quarterly. Voting aye: Rassfeld, Sawyer and Raska. Voting nay: none. Absent: Nelson. Motion carried.

2016 LEGISLATION

The Board was given an updated of any potential legislation changes for their profession.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Rassfeld moved, Sawyer seconded to keep the officers the same as the previous year. Voting aye: Rassfeld, Sawyer and Raska. Voting nay: none. Absent: Nelson. Motion carried.

SET DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Board members agreed to set the next board meeting date for September 16, 2016 at 2 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

signature available upon request

Richard Raska, DPM, Secretary
Board of Podiatry