MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PODIATRY April 15, 2025

ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Podiatry was called to order at 2:00 pm on April 15, 2025, by Zackary Gangwer, DPM, Chairperson, in the Husker Conference Room, at the Hampton Inn and Suites, 7343 Husker Circle, Lincoln, Nebraska 68504. The meeting was conducted In-Person and by WebEx. The following members answered the roll call:

Zackary Gangwer, DPM, FACFAS, Chairperson Derek Miller, DPM, Vice-Chairperson Jon Goldsmith, DPM, Secretary Elizabeth Bailey, Public Member

(All the Board Members attended In-Person)

A quorum was present, and the meeting convened.

Also present to participate in the meeting were: T.J. O'Neill, Assistant Attorney General; Katherine Amyot, Department Attorney; Vonda Apking, Program Manager; Jan Gadeken-Harris, Health Licensing Coordinator; Jeff Newman, Investigator with the DHHS Investigation Unit. (All of the participants attended In-Person)

Dr. Gangwer announced that there is a copy of all the public documents being reviewed at this meeting available in the meeting room pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.

In accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-1411 of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, copies of the agenda were emailed to the Board members and other interested parties, posted on the DHHS web site at https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Agendas-and-Minutes.aspx and posted on the Bulletin Board at the entrance to the Nebraska State Office Building on April 3, 2025 and Revised on April 11, 2025.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Goldsmith moved, seconded by Miller, to adopt the agenda. Voting aye: Bailey, Goldsmith, Miller and Gangwer. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Miller moved, seconded by Goldsmith, to approve the February 4, 2025, minutes as written. Voting aye: Bailey, Gangwer, Goldsmith and Miller. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried.

INVESTIGATIONAL REPORTS AND APPLICATION REVIEW - CLOSED SESSION

Goldsmith moved, seconded by Miller, to go into closed session at 2:02 p.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: Bailey, Gangwer, Goldsmith and Miller. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried.

Miller recused himself at 2:03 p.m. Miller returned at 2:07 p.m.

The Board returned to open session at 2:08 p.m.

APPLICATION REVIEW - OPEN SESSION

There are currently no applications for review by the Board.

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EMAIL BALLOT(S) SINCE THE LAST MEETING

There are no email ballots to report.

2024 LEGISLATION UPDATE

There are no Legislation issues for discussion currently.

REGULATIONS UPDATES

There are no Regulation updates for the Board.

PRACTICE QUESTION(S)

A. Is it within the scope of practice for a podiatrist to read noninvasive vascular studies (arterial and venous doppler ultrasounds)?

It is the opinion of the Board that it is within the scope of practice for a podiatrist to read non-invasive vascular studies to inform their treatment of a patient.

Doreen Wick, Coding & Compliance Auditor with US Foot & Ankle Specialist, attending the call via WebEx asked if a podiatrist could bill for interpreting a non-invasive vascular study?

The Board declined to answer this question, as it was outside their purview.

DISCUSSION

A. Council on Podiatric Medical Education:

CPME 720 – Standards and requirements for approval of CE providers in Podiatric Medicine, July 2025 CPME 730 – Procedures for approval of CE providers in Podiatric Medicine, July 2025.

The Board acknowledges receipt of the documents, however at this time they have no comments.

B. (IPMLC) Interstate Podiatric Medical Licensure Compact Model Language - March 26, 2025.

Vonda Apking notified the Board that Model Compact Language is now available, however it has not currently been introduced to the Legislature.

The Board reviewed the Model and currently they have no comments or concerns. They asked to be informed of any advancements with the IPMLC.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There currently are no public comments.

BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

At the present time no future meetings have been scheduled for the Board of Podiatry. To see a complete list of the 2025 projected schedules, visit the DHHS website:

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Gangwer adjourned the meeting at 2:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature available upon request

Jon R. Goldsmith, DPM, Secretary Board of Podiatry