

Minutes of the October 23, 2024 Board of Chiropractic Meeting

1. ROLL CALL

Dr. Scott Misek, Chairperson, called the meeting of the Board of Chiropractic to order at 9:00 AM on October 23, 2024, in the Goldenrod Conference Room at the Nebraska State Office Building located at 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. In accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-1411 of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, copies of the agenda were e-mailed to the Board members and other interested parties, posted on the DHHS website at <https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Agendas-and-Minutes.aspx>, and posted in the Nebraska State Office Building East Vestibule on October 11, 2024.

Misek announced that this is an open meeting, and the Open Meetings Act is posted.

Members Present: The following members answered roll call:

Dr. Scott Misek, DC Chair
Dr. Heather Henrichs, DC Vice-Chair
Dr. Brian Stevens, DC Secretary
David Henske, Public Member

Staff Present:

Claire Covert-ByBee, Program Manager
T.J. O'Neill, Assistant Attorney General
Danielle Sund, DHHS Legal Counsel
Kim Hitzel, Licensure Board Coordinator

Members of the Public

Dr. Jen Howard, DC
Dr. Nick Payne, DC

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Henske moved, seconded by Stevens, to adopt the agenda. Voting aye: Henske, Misek, Stevens and Henrichs. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

3. REAFFIRMATION OF MAIL BALLOT

There was one mail ballot since the last meeting. The approval of the June 5, 2024, Meeting Minutes. Members Stevens, Henrichs, Henske, and Misek, voted to approve the minutes as written. The minutes were approved on June 11, 2024.

4. CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Henske moved, seconded by Stevens, to move into closed session at 9:02 a.m. to hear discussions regarding confidential information and to protect the reputation of individuals named or referenced in such discussions. Voting aye: Henske, Henrichs, Stevens, and Misek. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

5. BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS ON APPLICATIONS

The Board returned to open session 9:26 a.m.
There were no board recommendations.

6. FEDERAL CHIROPRACTIC LICENSING BOARD

There was a joint meeting of District I and District IV held in Scottsdale, AZ October 4-5, 2024.

One topic of interest at that is meeting on how states might recognize Chiropractic Specialty programs. This topic will be discussed at the national and state levels in the coming months.

The annual conference for FCLB will be held April 30 – May 4, 2025, in St. Louis, MO. The next FCLB District I and District IV meeting will be held in Omaha, NE, September 25-27, 2025.

7. NATIONAL BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS REPORT OUT

The NBCE is offering to design jurisprudence exams for States for free. This is a program that may be of interest in Nebraska. More information will be collected over the next few months and presented to the Board for further review.

8. CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

The Department will draft a courtesy letter with information about Continuing Education requirements and will send it via mail ballot for the Board's approval. This letter has been sent in previous years to licensees and interested parties informing them of Continuing Education requirements.

9. REGULATION PUBLIC HEARING COMMENTS and RESPONSES

The Board and the Department reviewed all public comments and determined no further changes would be made to the regulations.

10. ADOPTION of 172 NAC 29

Henske moved and Stevens seconded to adopt 172 NAC 29. Voting aye: Henske, Misek, Henrichs, and Stevens. Voting Nay; none. Motion carried.

11. LICENSURE DATABASE UPDATE

Covert-ByBee informed the board that the Department is working with the contractor, and it is expected that it will be in operation in early 2025.

12. LICENSURE APPLICATION PROCESSING REPORT

This report is for informational purposes only.

13. RENEWAL

This information has been provided in the License Application Processing Report.

14. Meeting Dates

The dates selected by the Board for the 2025 meetings are February 12, April 9, June 11, and October 8 at 9 am.

15. Public Comment

There was no public comments at this meeting.

16. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Brian Stevens, DC Secretary