

Katie Hobbs, Governor Arizona State Board of Podiatry Examiners "Protecting the Public's Health"

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

April 10, 2024

Members of the Arizona State Board of Podiatry Examiners ("Board") held a meeting at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 10, 2024, at 1740 West Adams St., Boardroom C, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. No Executive Sessions were held.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Barbara Campbell, DPM	Board President and Practitioner Member
Albert Eulano, DPM.	Practitioner Member
Mark Forman, DPM	Practitioner Member
Vicki Broman	Public Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Tawanda Johnson-GrayPublic Member

STAFF AND ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT:

	Heather Broaddus	Executive Director
æ	Seamus Monaghan, Esq	Assistant Attorney General

GUEST(S) PRESENT AND/OR PARTICIPATING

Mark Forman, DPM Cody Hall, Esq S.M	Attorney
Daniel Saunders, DPM	Investigator

The Appeared telephonically

OPEN SESSION

Dr. Campbell called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. The Board considered the following order of business.

BOARD MEMBER APPRECIATION

Dr. Campbell announced that Dr. Eulano's term has expired and this meeting will be Dr. Eulano's last meeting. Dr. Campbell and Board members thanked Dr. Eulano for his years of dedication and service to the Board.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST – A.R.S. §38-503

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Discussion and approval of the Open Session Minutes from the March 13, 2024, Board meeting

Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve the March 13, 2024, Open Session Minutes with the corrections as noted. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Ms. Broman	Ms. Johnson-
					Gray
Yay	X	X	Х	Х	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					Х

Discussion and approval of the Executive Session Minutes from the March 13, 2024, Board meeting

Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve the March 13, 2024, Executive Session Minutes as drafted. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Ms. Broman	Ms. Johnson-
					Gray
Yay	Х	Х	Х	Х	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					Х

ITEMS FOR BOARD REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Investigations

Complaint No. 23-14-C; Daniel Saunders, DPM

The Board did not hear this agenda item. The Board will hear this agenda item at a future meeting.

Complaint No. 23-19-C; Mark Forman, DPM

Dr. Forman recused from this agenda item.

The Board's Investigator, Dr. Saunders, was present and provided a summary to the Board. Dr. Saunders answered Board members' questions.

The Complainant, S.M., was present, requested to speak, made a statement and answered Board members' questions.

Dr. Forman and his attorney, Cody Hall, Esq., were present, requested to speak, made a statement and answered Board members' questions. Dr. Forman reviewed his care of the patient.

After deliberation, Dr. Eulano made a motion, seconded by Ms. Broman, to dismiss Complaint No. 23-19-C; Mark Forman, DPM as there was no violation of statute or rule. Dr. Forman recused from voting on this item. The motion carried, 3-1-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Ms. Broman	Ms. Johnson-
					Gray
Yay	X	Х		Х	
Nay					
Recused			Х		
Abstained					
Absent					Х

Complaint No. 24-03-C; Sophia Stocks, DPM

Dr. Campbell provided a brief summary indicating that the Complainant claimed that Dr. Stocks destroyed her records. Dr. Campbell explained that Dr. Stocks purchased a practice from a podiatrist but did not purchase the clients or the client records. Dr. Campbell further explained that the previous owner is the custodian of records and the Complainant was able to successfully obtain her records from the previous owner.

Neither Dr. Stocks nor the Complainant were present.

After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to administratively close Complaint No. 24-03-C; Sophia Stocks, DPM as there was a misunderstanding about which podiatrist is the custodian of records. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Ms. Broman	Ms. Johnson-
					Gray
Yay	Х	Х	Х	Х	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					Х

Issuance of Licenses

1. Forni, Jason, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Forni's application, the Board noted that his application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Forni's application upon payment of the license issuance fee. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Ms. Broman	Ms. Johnson-
					Gray
Yay	Х	Х	Х	Х	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					Х

2. Hormuz, Mehera, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Hormuz's application, the Board noted that her application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Hormuz's application upon payment of the license issuance fee. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Ms. Broman	Ms. Johnson-
					Gray
Yay	X	Х	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					Х

3. Kemp, Peter, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Kemp's application, the Board noted that he will not complete his residency until June 2024, otherwise his application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Kemp's application upon successful completion of his residency and upon payment of the license issuance fee. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Ms. Broman	Ms. Johnson-
					Gray
Yay	Х	Х	Х	Х	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					Х

4. Varney, Rebecca, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Varney's application, the Board noted that she will not complete her residency until June 2024, otherwise her application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Varney's application upon successful completion of her residency and upon payment of the license issuance fee. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Ms. Broman	Ms. Johnson-
					Gray
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					X

BOARD TO REVIEW, DISCUSS AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON UPDATE OF BARBARA CAMPBELL, DPM APRIL 2, 2024, LECTURE AT MIDWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Dr. Campbell provided a brief summary stating that her lecture at Midwestern University focused on Board regulation, statutes, rules and policies.

REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REQUEST FOR INFORMATION FROM THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE, ACTION MAY INCLUDE THE ADOPTION OF POLICIES AND/OR PROCEDURES RELATED TO COMPLAINT ADJUDICATION

Ms. Broaddus provided a summary stating that health Board's received a letter from Governor Hobbs on February 15, 2024. The letter is requesting the following information:

- Policy/procedure regarding complaints
- Policy/procedure regarding discipline
- Policy/procedure regarding reporting to other agencies
- Policy/procedure regarding conflicts of interest
- Policy/procedure regarding audit of Board compliance in disciplinary action taken
- Policy/procedure regarding audit of Board compliance for reporting to other agencies

Ms. Broaddus drafted a formal response and went over policies and procedures the Board may wish to adopt. The letter is requesting that the formal response be submitted to the Governor's Office by July 1, 2024.

After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to adopt the policies and procedures as drafted and to direct Ms. Broaddus to submit the final response to the Governor's Office by the July 1, 2024, deadline. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Ms. Broman	Ms. Johnson-
					Gray
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					Х

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE AND DISCUSSION

Ms. Broaddus provided a brief summary of HB2100, HB2139, HB2169, HB2187, HB2243, HB2308, HB2312, HB2471, HB2477, HB2481, HB2593, HB2686, HB2739, HB2740, HB, 2761, SB1021, SB1120, SB1128, SB1365, SB1562, SB1725, SB1731.

REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING TRAINING AND OVERVIEW OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST, PRESENTED BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

The Board's Assistant Attorney General, Seamus Monaghan, Esq., reviewed Conflicts of Interest regarding the following:

• Purpose of the Conflict of Interest Laws;

- Bias, Prejudice and Predetermination;
- Appearance of Impropriety;
- Ex Parte Communications and
- Definitions

Mr. Monaghan answered Board members' questions.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Broaddus stated that the Board's rule package took effect on April 8, 2024. The Secretary of State's updated Code will not be published for a few weeks.

Ms. Broaddus stated that the 2024 license renewal cycle will begin on May 1, 2024. Ms. Broaddus asked the Board if it had a preference as to whether licensees be required to renew through the Board's online portal or if the paper license renewal application should be offered. Board members stated that a paper renewal will be offered during the 2024 renewal cycle but directed Ms. Broaddus to urge licensees to renew through the Board's online portal.

Ms. Broaddus provided a summary of the current budget.

Ms. Broaddus provided a summary of the complaint log.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

There were no current events.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There was no call to the public.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETING AGENDAS

Dr. Forman stated that Honor Health does not allow podiatrists to perform physical exams. Dr. Forman did not request that the Board review this at a future meeting.

NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for May 8, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dr. Campbell, seconded by Dr. Forman, and passed unanimously, 4-0, to adjourn the meeting at 9:42 a.m.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Ms. Broman	Ms. Johnson-
					Gray
Yay	X	Х	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					Х