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OPEN SESSION MINUTES

August 12, 2020

Members of the Arizona State Board of Podiatry Examiners (“Board”) held a meeting at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 12, 2020, at 1740 West Adams St., Boardroom C, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. One Executive Session was held.







BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Barbara Campbell, DPM..... Board President and Practitioner Member
-  John Rhodes (joined at 10:35 a.m.)..... Secretary and Public Member
-  Albert Eulano, DPM. Practitioner Member
-  Mark Forman, DPM.....Practitioner Member
- Vacancy.....Public Member

STAFF AND ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT:

- Heather Broaddus..... Executive Director
- Seamus Monaghan, Esq.....Assistant Attorney General

GUEST(S) PRESENT AND/OR PARTICIPATING

- Patrick Farrell, DPM..... Licensee
-  Erika Huston, DPM.Licensee
-  Bruce Crawford, Esq.....Attorney
-  D.R.....Complainant
-  Robin Burgess, Esq.....Attorney
-  Marisse Lardizabal, DPM.....Licensee
-  Dedrie Polakof, DPM.....Investigator
-  Daniel Saunders, DPM.....Investigator
-  Appeared telephonically

OPEN SESSION

Dr. Campbell called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. The Board considered the following order of business.

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

Dr. Eulano declared a conflict of interest regarding Agenda Item 5. E. 2.; Brewer, Michael, DPM

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ITEMS FOR BOARD REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Update of Investigator’s Review of Audit Report; Complaint No. 18-08-C; Patrick Farrell, DPM

The Boards Investigator, Dedrie Polakof, DPM, was present and provided a summary of the audit to the Board. Dr. Farrell was present, requested to speak, made a statement and answered Board members’ questions. Board members deliberated and expressed concern with Dr. Farrell’s charting documentation. Additionally, the Board expressed concern that Dr. Farrell performed a nerve decompression procedure on a patient who had numerous health issues. Furthermore, Board members asked Dr. Farrell if he performed a breast exam on the two patients whose charts were audited. Dr. Farrell stated that he believes he did a breast exam on both patients but did not document the breast exam in the chart.

At 9:15 a.m., Dr. Campbell made a motion to go into Executive Session to obtain confidential legal advice from the Board’s attorney. Dr. Forman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X		
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent				X	

Open session reconvened at 9:27 a.m.

After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Eulano, to continue the audit for at least three more cases. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X		
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent				X	

Investigations

20-08-C; Ronaldo Holgado, DPM

The Board’s Investigator, Dr. Saunders’ was present telephonically and provided a summary to the Board. Board members questioned Dr. Saunders.

The Complainant was not present. Dr. Holgado was not present but his attorney, Robin Burgess, Esq., was present, requested to speak, made a statement and answered Board members’

questions. Ms. Burgess provided a timeline of events and opined that there was no violation of rule or statute in this case. After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to dismiss Complaint No. 20-08-C; Ronaldo Holgado, DPM as there was no violation of statute or rule. The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote, 3-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X		
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent				X	

20-04-C; Erika Huston, DPM

The Board’s Investigator, Dr. Polakof was present telephonically and provided a summary to the Board. Board members questioned Dr. Polakof. Board members asked Dr. Polakof about Dr. Huston’s billing codes that were utilized. Dr. Polakof answered.

The Complainant, D.R., was present, requested to speak, made a statement and answered Board members’ questions. D.R. stated that during the entire time Dr. Huston treated him, Dr. Huston never reviewed the Doppler study that was performed on his lower legs. Board members asked D.R. if his primary care physician reviewed the Doppler study with him. D.R. said he was not made aware of the Doppler study until he went to see a vascular surgeon. Board members asked how long it took for the wound on his heel to heal. D.R. answered. Board members asked if D.R. had wounds elsewhere. D.R. answered.

Dr. Huston and her attorney, Bruce Crawford, Esq., were present, requested to speak, made statements and answered Board members’ questions. Mr. Crawford addressed the modifier in the billing codes. Mr. Crawford indicated that the nurse practitioner ordered the Doppler study and that Dr. Huston does not recall the situation that occurred with the Doppler study. Dr. Huston went over the time line of D.R.’s treatment. Dr. Huston indicated that she does not recall the specifics regarding the Doppler study but that she does not believe that it would have affected her treatment of D.R. Dr. Huston confirmed that she did not review the Doppler study with D.R. Board members asked Dr. Huston if she biopsied the tissue that was debrided during surgery. Dr. Huston stated that she did not biopsy the tissue. Board members asked Dr. Huston why she billed for an EM visit each time. Dr. Huston answered stating that at each visit she would talk with D.R. about various topics but failed to document the topics in the chart.

After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Eulano, to move Complaint No. 20-04-C, Erika Huston, DPM, to an Informal Hearing for possible violations of A.R.S. 32-854.01(21)(24). The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					

Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

2020 Renewal Applications for Arizona Podiatric License and Dispensing Registration

Marisse Lardizabal, DPM

Dr. Campbell provided a summary stating that Dr. Lardizabal indicated on his renewal application that she was involved in a malpractice matter and the matter was dismissed with prejudice. Dr. Brower was present telephonically in the event Board members' had questions. After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Lardizabal's renewal and to take no action on the malpractice matter. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

Nicole Adams, DPM

Dr. Campbell provided a summary stating that Dr. Adams indicated on her renewal application that she is currently involved in a malpractice matter. Dr. Campbell stated that Dr. Adams is one of several defendants in the malpractice matter and the matter is currently pending before the Court. Dr. Adams was not present. After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Adams' renewal and to request that she keep the Board apprised of the malpractice matter. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

Donald Chudy, DPM

Dr. Campbell provided a summary stating that Dr. Chudy is requesting an extension of time to complete the CME requirements. Dr. Campbell noted that since Dr. Chudy's request he has

completed the required CME. After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Chudy’s renewal application. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

Denise Freeman, DPM

Dr. Campbell provided a summary stating that Dr. Freeman is requesting an extension of time to complete the CME requirements. Dr. Campbell noted that since Dr. Freeman’s request she has completed the required CME. After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Freeman’s renewal application. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

Tanya Thoms, DPM

Dr. Campbell provided a summary stating that Dr. Thoms is requesting an extension of time to complete the CME requirements. Dr. Campbell noted that since Dr. Thoms’ request she has completed the required CME. After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Thoms’ renewal application. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

Michael Brewer, DPM

Dr. Eulano recused from this item stating that the information provided in Dr. Brewer’s was false and that he did not speak to Dr. Brewer about Board matters.

Ms. Broaddus provided a summary stating that Dr. Brewer is requesting a six-month extension of time to complete the CME requirements. Ms. Broaddus stated that Dr. Brewer has not yet submitted his renewal application. Board members deliberated and determined that it does not have the authority to grant a six-month extension for completion of CME. Additionally, Board members noted that Dr. Brewer did not offer extenuating circumstances for his request. After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve a 60-day extension of time for Dr. Brewer to complete his CME requirements if he submits his 2020 renewal application. The motion carried 3-0-1 with Dr. Eulano recused.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X		X	X	
Nay					
Recused		X			
Abstained					
Absent					

Issuance of Licenses

1. Bangart, Ryan, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Bangart’s application, the Board noted that he will not complete his residency requirement until September 2020, otherwise his application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Bangart’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	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

2. Curtis, Thomas, DPM

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

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					

Abstained					
Absent					

Application(s) for Registration to Dispense Drugs/Devices

1. Arneson, Jessica, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Arneson’s application, the Board noted that her application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Eulano, to approve Dr. Arneson’s application. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

2. Begur, Priyanka, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Begur’s application, the Board noted that her application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, to approve Dr. Begur’s application. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

3. Bland, Devin, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Bland’s application, the Board noted that his application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, to approve Dr. Bland’s application. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

4. Crafton, Jordan, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Crafton’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. Crafton’s application. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

5. Newport, Ian, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Newport’s application, the Board noted that his application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, to approve Dr. Newport’s application. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

6. Stock, Sophia, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Stock’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. Stock’s application. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

Request for Approval of Continuing Medical Education (CME)

Dr. Campbell provided a summary stating that James, Dancho, DPM is requesting that the Board approve CME that Southern Arizona VA Health Care System hosts for podiatrists. After

deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve James Dancho, DPM request for approval of the CME. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

Discussion/Decision regarding extension of deadline of the continuing medical education requirement under A.R.S. 32-829(E)

Ms. Broaddus provided a summary stating that it is requested that the Board approve a 60-day extension to complete the CME requirements to all licensee. Ms. Broaddus stated that the request is made due to the current health crisis and due to all conferences that provide CME being cancelled. Some of the conferences were offered virtually but not all of the CME was offered prior to the June 30, 2020, deadline. After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, to extend the CME deadline to August 31, 2020, for all licensees. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Discussion and approval of the Open Session Minutes from the July, 2020, Board meeting

Dr. Forman abstained from voting on the minutes. Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, to approve the July 8, 2020, Open Session Minutes as drafted. The motion carried 3-0-1, with Dr. Forman abstained.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X		X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained			X		
Absent					

Discussion and approval of the Executive Session Minutes from the July 8, 2020, Board meeting

Dr. Forman abstained from voting on the minutes. Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, to approve the July 8, 2020, Executive Session Minutes as drafted. The motion carried 3-0-1 with Dr. Forman abstained.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X		X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained			X		
Absent					

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Ms. Broaddus provided an update on the rulemaking progress stating that the Board’s rule package will become effective on September 6, 2020.

Ms. Broaddus provided an update on renewals.

Ms. Broaddus provided an update on the Board’s Sunset Audit. Ms. Broaddus requested that the Board approve the response to the Sunset Audit. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, to approve the response to the Sunset Audit. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

Ms. Broaddus provided an update of the budget.

Ms. Broaddus provided an update of the Complaint log.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

There were no new current events.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Dr. Campbell provided her condolences to Mr. Rhodes and Dr. Cohn.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETING AGENDAS

There were no items for future Board meetings

NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE

Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, and passed unanimously, 4-0, to adjourn the meeting at 11:26 a.m.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	Mr. Rhodes	VACANCY
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					