

Arizona State Board of Podiatry Examiners "Protecting the Public's Health"

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Douglas A. Ducey, Governor

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

April 13, 2022

Members of the Arizona State Board of Podiatry Examiners ("Board") held a meeting at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 13, 2022, at 1740 West Adams St., Boardroom C, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. No Executive Sessions were held.

BOAL	RD MEMBERS PRESENT:	
	Barbara Campbell, DPM	Board President and Practitioner Member
	Albert Eulano, DPM	Practitioner Member
	Mark Forman, DPM	Practitioner Member
	Vacancy	Public Member
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STAF	F AND ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERA	AL PRESENT:
	Heather Broaddus	
	Seamus Monaghan, Esq	Assistant Attorney General
GUES	ST(S) PRESENT AND/OR PARTICIPATING	
	Paul Ledesma, DPM	
	Melissa Galli, DPM	Licensee
	Cody Hall, Esq	Attorney
	Kamran Farahani, DPM	Investigator
*	Appeared telephonically	

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Dr. Campbell called the meeting to order at 8:38 a.m. The Board considered the following order of business.

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

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

ITEMS FOR BOARD REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

<u>Investigations</u>

21-25-B; Paul Ledesma, DPM

The Board's Investigator, Dr. Farahani, was present and provided a summary to the Board. Dr. Farahani stated that the Board due to a malpractice matter initiated this Complaint.

Dr. Ledesma was present telephonically and made a statement. The Board noted that the Court dismissed the matter with prejudice. After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to dismiss Complaint No. 21-25-B; Paul Ledesma, DPM, as there were no violations of statute or rule. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.

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

REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING A NATIONAL PRACTITIONERS DATA BANK REPORT RECEIVED PERTAINING TO MELISSA GALLI, DPM

The Board's Assistant Attorney General, Seamus Monaghan, clarified that this matter is before the Board to determine whether to open a Complaint.

Dr. Campbell and Ms. Broaddus provided a brief summary of the matter to the Board. This matter is before the Board because it received a National Practitioners Data Bank Report.

Dr. Galli and her attorney, Cody Hall, Esq., were present. Mr. Hall made a statement. Board members expressed concern that the surgical consent was not thorough. Board members also expressed concern with the pre-operative evaluation of the patient. Mr. Hall stated that the patient testified under oath that Dr. Galli thoroughly discussed the surgical procedure. After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Eulano, to open a Complaint regarding this matter. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0 on a roll call vote.

	Dr. Campbell	Dr. Eulano	Dr. Forman	VACANCY	VACANCY
Yay	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 March 9, 2022, Board meeting

After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve the March 9, 2022, Open Session Minutes as drafted. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.

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

ITEMS FOR BOARD REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Issuance of Licenses

1. Bowlin, Christopher, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Bowlin's 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. Bowlin's application upon payment of the license issuance fee. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.

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

2. Wolfrum, Jacob, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Wolfrum's application, the Board noted that he will not complete his residency program until June 2022 otherwise his application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Wolfrum's application upon successful completion of his residency and upon payment of the license issuance fee. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.

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

<u>Initial Registration to Dispense Drugs and Devices</u>

1. Lewis, Petrina, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Lewis' application, the Board noted her application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Lewis' application. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.

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

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Broaddus summarized that the Board received final approval from the Governor's Office to submit the draft rules to the Governor's Regulatory Review Council (GRRC). The Board's draft rules should be scheduled for GRRC's June 2022, meeting.

Ms. Broaddus stated that on February 9, 2022, the Board entered into a non-disciplinary Order for continuing education for Complaint No. 21-03-C; Seth Clark, DPM. On April 6, 2022, Dr. Clark completed the terms of the non-disciplinary Order.

Ms. Broaddus provided a summary stating that the Auditor General contacted the Board office. The Auditor General is conducting an audit of payroll reimbursement for a Board member.

Ms. Broaddus provided a summary of the current budget.

Ms. Broaddus provided a summary of the complaint log.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE AND DISCUSSION

Ms. Broaddus briefly summarized HB2070, HB2147, HB2162, HB2371, HB2412, HB2599, HB2612, SB1052, SB1111, SB1127, SB1162, SB1568 and SB1670

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

There were no future agenda items.

NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE

The next Board meeting is May 11, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dr. Campbell, seconded by Dr. Forman, and passed unanimously, 3-0, to adjourn the meeting at 9:28 a.m. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.

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