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OPEN SESSION MINUTES

June 14, 2023

Members of the Arizona State Board of Podiatry Examiners (“Board”) held a meeting at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, 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
	Vacancy.....	Public 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

	Thomas Hooke, DPM.....	Licensee
	Flynn Carey, Esq.....	Attorney
☎	M.L.....	Complainant
☎	Alan Kravitz, DPM.....	Licensee
	Jeffrey Copoloff, DPM.....	Licensee
	Michelle Jager, Esq.....	Attorney
☎	Jerome Steck, DPM.....	Investigator
	Kamran Farahani, DPM.....	Investigator
☎	Dedrie Polakof, DPM.....	Investigator
☎	Appeared telephonically	

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Dr. Campbell called the meeting to order at 8:00 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.

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REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Discussion and approval of the Open Session Minutes from the May 10, 2023, Board meeting

Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve the May 10, 2023, 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

Investigations

23-02-C; Alan Kravitz, DPM

The Board’s Investigator, Dr. Farahani, was present and provided a summary to the Board.

The Complainant, C.H., was not present.

Dr. Kravitz was present telephonically, requested to speak, made a statement and answered Board members’ question.

After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to dismiss Complaint No. 23-02-C; Alan Kravitz, 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					

22-07-B; Jeffrey Copoloff, DPM

The Board’s Investigator, Dr. Polakof, was present telephonically and provided a summary to the Board. Dr. Polakof stated that this complaint was opened by the Board due to a malpractice matter Dr. Copoloff reported on his 2022 license renewal application.

Dr. Copoloff and his attorney, Michelle Jager, Esq., were present, requested to speak, made a statement and answered Board members’ questions. Dr. Copoloff provided a summary of the patient’s care and his procedures for Informed Consent. Dr. Copoloff stated that since this complaint he has revised his Informed Consent procedures. Dr. Copoloff stated that he now provides a pre-operative packet to the patient and the patient signs 2-3 Informed Consent forms.

The Board deliberated and expressed concern that Dr. Copoloff did not adequately educate or inform the patient of the procedure being performed. After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Eulano, to issue a non-disciplinary Letter of Concern in Complaint No. 22-07-B; Jeffrey Copoloff, DPM, for lack of Informed Consent. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.

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

22-20-C; Thomas Hooke, DPM

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

Dr. Hooke and his attorney, Mr. Carey, were present, requested to speak, made a statement and answered Board members’ questions

The Complainant, M.L., was present telephonically, requested to speak, made a statement and answered Board members’ questions.

After deliberation, Dr. Forman made a motion, seconded by Dr. Eulano, to dismiss Complaint No. 22-20-C; Thomas Hooke, 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					

Issuance of Licenses

1. Chan, Timothy, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Chan’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. Chan’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. Gerber, Rachel, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Gerber’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. Gerber’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					

3. Ho, Kristie, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Ho’s application, the Board noted that she will not complete her residency until June 2023, otherwise her application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Ho’s application upon

successful completion of her 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					

4. Nguyen, Sandy, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Nguyen’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. Nguyen’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					

5. Ross, Amy, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Ross’ application, the Board noted that she will not complete her residency until June 2023 otherwise her application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Ross’ application upon successful completion of her 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					

6. Wright, Kayla, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Wright’s application, the Board noted that she will not complete her residency until June 2023, otherwise her application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Wright’s application upon successful completion of her 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					

Request for Waiver of the Continuing Education Requirement for the 2022-2023 Renewal Cycle

1. Tassone, John, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Tassone’s request, the Board noted he requested a waiver of the continuing education requirements during the 2022 renewal cycle. The Board requested that Dr. Tassone’s healthcare professional submit a letter attesting to his disability. Upon receipt of a letter from Dr. Tassone’s healthcare professional the Board mayl reconsider Dr. Tassone’s request for a waiver of the continuing education requirements. The Board also noted that Dr. Tassone can complete the continuing education requirements electronically. Additionally, Dr. Tassone may request an extension of time to complete his continuing education requirements.

Renewal Applications for Arizona Podiatric License and Dispensing Registration

1. King, Jonathan, DPM

Dr. Campbell provided a brief summary indicating that Dr. King reported a malpractice matter on his 2022-2023 renewal application. Dr. Campbell noted that the malpractice matter is in another jurisdiction. The Board deliberated and determined that it does not have jurisdiction as the malpractice matter is in another jurisdiction. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to take no action in the malpractice matter and to approve Dr. King’s 2022-2023 license renewal application. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.

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

2. Pfau, Zeno, DPM

Dr. Campbell provided a brief summary indicating that Dr. Pfau reported a malpractice matter on his 2022-2023 renewal application. Dr. Campbell noted that the malpractice matter is in another jurisdiction. The Board deliberated and determined that it does not have jurisdiction as the malpractice matter is in another jurisdiction. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to take no action in the malpractice matter and to approve Dr. Pfau’s 2022-2023 license renewal 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 provided a brief summary of the 2023 renewal cycle.

Ms. Broaddus requested that the Board complete an evaluation form regarding her performance as the Executive Director for the last year.

Ms. Broaddus provided a summary of the progress on the Board’s rule package.

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 SB1333.

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

The Board requested that an item regarding adjudication of complaints be presented by the Board's Assistant Attorney General at a future Board meeting.

NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for July 12, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dr. Campbell, seconded by Dr. Forman, and passed unanimously, 3-0, to adjourn the meeting at 10:02 a.m. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.

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