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

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### **OPEN SESSION MINUTES**

## June 12, 2024

Members of the Arizona State Board of Podiatry Examiners ("Board") held a meeting at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 12, 2024, at 1740 West Adams St., Boardroom C, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. No Executive Sessions were held.

BOA	RD MEMBERS PRESENT:	
	Barbara Campbell, DPM	Board President and Practitioner Member
	Mark Forman, DPM	
	Vicki Broman	
	Tawanda Johnson-Gray	Public Member
STAI	FF AND ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENER	AL PRESENT:
	Heather Broaddus	Executive Director
	Seamus Monaghan, Esq	Assistant Attorney General
GUE	ST(S) PRESENT AND/OR PARTICIPATIN	$\mathbf{C}$
	Jeffrey Copoloff, DPM	Licensee
	Jeffrey Copoloff, DPM	LicenseeComplainant
	Jeffrey Copoloff, DPM	LicenseeComplainantLicensee
	Jeffrey Copoloff, DPM	
<b>**</b>	Jeffrey Copoloff, DPM	

#### **OPEN SESSION**

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.

<u>The Americans with Disabilities Act:</u> Persons with disabilities may request reasonable accommodations, such as sign language interpreters. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation. This document is available in alternative format upon request.

#### REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Discussion and approval of the Open Session Minutes from the May 8, 2024, Board meeting

Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve the May 8, 2024, Open Session Minutes as drafted. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

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

#### ITEMS FOR BOARD REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

#### Investigations

Complaint No. 24-02-C; Jeffrey Copoloff, DPM

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

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

Dr. Copoloff was present telephonically, requested to speak, made a statement and answered Board members' questions. Dr. Copoloff reviewed his care of the patient.

After deliberation, Dr. Forman made a motion, seconded by Ms. Broman, to dismiss Complaint No. 24-02-C; Jeffrey Copoloff, DPM as there was no violation of statute or rule. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

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

#### **Initial Analysis**

#### Jared Hall, DPM

Dr. Campbell provided a brief summary stating the Board was notified that Dr. Hall resigned from Summit Regional Medical Center while under council inquiry for quality concerns. Dr. Campbell reviewed Dr. Hall's response.

Dr. Hall and his attorney, Mandi Karvis, Esq., were present, requested to speak, made a statement and answered Board members' questions.

After deliberation, Dr. Forman made a motion, seconded by Ms. Johnson-Gray, to not open a case based on the information received. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

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

#### Issuance of Licenses

#### 1. Jensen, Burkley, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Jenson'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. Jensen's application upon payment of the license issuance fee. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

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

#### 2. Martin, Rachel, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Martin's application, the Board noted that she will not complete her residency until June 30, 2024, otherwise her application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Martin'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. Forman	Ms. Broman	Ms. Johnson-	VACANT
				Gray	
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

#### 3. Ptak, Nathaniel, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Ptak'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. Ptak's application upon payment of the license issuance fee. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

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

#### 4. Rollins, Austin, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Rollins' application, the Board noted that he will not complete his residency until June 30, 2024, otherwise his application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Rollins' application upon successful completion of his residency and upon payment of the license issuance fee. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

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

#### 5. Ruiz, Miguel, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Ruiz's application, the Board noted that he will not complete his residency until June 30, 2024, otherwise his application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Ruiz'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. Forman	Ms. Broman	Ms. Johnson-	VACANT
				Gray	
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

#### 6. Saing, Tommy, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Saing's application, the Board noted that he will not complete his residency until June 30, 2024, otherwise his application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Saing'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. Forman	Ms. Broman	Ms. Johnson-	VACANT
				Gray	
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

#### 7. Wallace, Blake, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Blake's application, the Board noted that he will not complete his residency until June 30, 2024, otherwise his application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Blake'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. Forman	Ms. Broman	Ms. Johnson-	VACANT
				Gray	
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					

Recused			
Abstained			
Absent			

#### 8. Zillweger, Charles, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Zillweger's application, the Board noted that he will not complete his residency until June 21, 2024, otherwise his application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Zillweger'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. Forman	Ms. Broman	Ms. Johnson-	VACANT
				Gray	
Yay	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Recused					
Abstained					
Absent					

#### Renewal Applications for Arizona Podiatric License and Dispensing Registration

#### 1. Nazarian, Serjik, DPM

Dr. Campbell provided a brief summary stating that Dr. Nazarian reported that he has been named as a defendant in a medical malpractice matter on his 2024 renewal application. Dr. Campbell stated that Dr. Nazarian has not yet been served official notice of a malpractice case.

Dr. Nazarian was present telephonically to answer questions.

After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Nazarian's 2024 renewal application and to request that Dr. Nazarian keep the Board apprised of the malpractice matter. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

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

#### 2. Olsen, Mark, DPM

Dr. Campbell provided a brief summary stating that Dr. Olsen reported that he has been a defendant in a medical malpractice matter on his 2024 renewal application. Dr. Campbell explained that this was an ongoing matter that Dr. Olsen reported on a previous renewal. Dr. Campbell stated that the Court jury dismissed the malpractice matter.

After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Olsen's 2024 renewal application and to take no action on the malpractice matter. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

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

#### **Board Investigator Position**

#### 1. Tallis, Arthur, DPM

It was the consensus of the Board to continue this agenda item to a future meeting.

# 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

The Board's Assistant Attorney General, Mr. Monaghan, provided a brief summary stating that the Board adopted disciplinary guidelines at its April 10, 2024, meeting. After further research and discussion, it is recommended that the Board adopt all of the guidelines excluding the scoring sheet.

After deliberation, Dr. Forman made a motion, seconded by Ms. Johnson-Gray, to rescind the Board's April 10, 2024, motion. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

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

Absent		
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Dr. Forman made a motion, seconded by Ms. Broman, to adopt all of the disciplinary guidelines excluding the scoring sheet. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

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

REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE BOARD'S MAY 8, 2024, VOTE TO FORWARD INFORMATION TO THE ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF NURSING REGARDING COMPLAINT NO. 24-04-C AND POSSIBLE RESCISSION OF THE SAME

The Board's Assistant Attorney General, Mr. Monaghan, provided a brief summary stating that the Board voted to forward information to the Arizona State Board of Nursing at its May 8, 2024, meeting. After further research and discussion, it is recommended that the Board rescind its May 8, 2024, motion.

After deliberation, Dr. Forman made a motion, seconded by Ms. Johnson-Gray, to rescind the Board's May 8, 2024, motion. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

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

#### LEGISLATIVE UPDATE AND DISCUSSION

Ms. Broaddus provided a brief summary of HB2169, HB2243, HB2471, HB2593, HB2686, SB1120, SB1731

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Ms. Broaddus provided a summary of the 2024 renewal cycle.

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 were no calls to the public.

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETING AGENDAS

There were no items for future agendas

#### **NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE**

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for July 10, 2024.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Dr. Campbell, seconded by Dr. Forman, and passed unanimously, 4-0, to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 a.m.

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