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OPEN SESSION MINUTES

March 12, 2025

Members of the Arizona State Board of Podiatry Examiners ("Board") held a meeting at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 12, 2025, 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	Practitioner Member
		Public Member
		Public Member
STAI	FF AND ASSISTANT ATTORNEY (GENERAL PRESENT:
	Heather Broaddus	Executive Director
**	Seamus Monaghan, Esq	Assistant Attorney General
GUE	ST(S) PRESENT AND/OR PARTIC	IPATING
GUE	. ,	IPATING Licensee
	Robert Novack, DPM	Licensee
	Robert Novack, DPMJ.A	
*	Robert Novack, DPM	LicenseeComplainant
	Robert Novack, DPM. J.A Alan Shih, DPM. Tanya Burke. Arthur Tallis, DPM.	LicenseeComplainantLicensee

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.

REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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Discussion and approval of the Open Session Minutes from the February 12, 2025, Board meeting

Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve the February 12, 2025, 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. 24-17-C; Robert Novack, DPM

The Board's Investigator, Arthur Tallis, DPM, was present and provided a summary to the Board.

The Complainant, J.A., was present telephonically and indicated that she can answer any questions the Board may have. The Board had no questions.

Dr. Novack was present telephonically and indicated that he can answer any questions. Dr. Novack answered Board members' questions.

After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to dismiss Complaint No. 24-17-C; Robert Novack, DPM as there were no violations 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					

Complaint No. 24-18-C; Tharesh Udupa, DPM

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

The Complainant, M.S., was not present.

Dr. Udupa was not present but a representative from his office, Tanya Burke, was present telephonically to answer billing questions. Ms. Burke answered Board members' questions.

After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to dismiss Complaint No. 24-18-C; Tharesh Udupa, DPM as there were no violations 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					

Complaint No. 25-01-C; Alan Shih, DPM

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

The Complainant, M.B., was not present.

Dr. Shih was present telephonically, requested to speak and made a statement.

After deliberation, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Ms. Broman, to dismiss Complaint No. 25-01-C; Alan Shih, DPM as there were no violations 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					

<u>Issuance of Licenses</u>

1. Crenshaw, Keith, DPM

Upon review of Dr. Crenshaw's application, the Board noted that he will not complete his residency until June 30, 2025, otherwise his application meets requirements of statute and rule. After review, Dr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Forman, to approve Dr. Crenshaw'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					

BOARD TO RECEIVE, REVIEW, DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON PRESENTATION BY GATEWAY RECOVERY INSTITUTE IN REGARDS TO THE PHYSICIANS HEALTH PROGRAM

The Medical Director from Gateway Recovery Institute, Dr. Stephen Karp was present telephonically. Dr. Karp stated that several health Boards have approved Gateway Recovery Institute for monitoring licensees for substance abuse, mental health issues and various other ailments. Dr. Karp explained the monitoring program processes and requirements. Dr. Karp stated that it is required that all licensees report to the Board. Dr. Karp stated that Gateway Recovery Institute does not conduct Fitness for Duty Evaluations therefore those evaluations are referred out. Dr. Karp stated that after the Fitness for Duty Evaluation Gateway Recovery Institute will take over the monitoring requirements. Gateway Recovery Institute will report any negative findings to the Board. Dr. Karp stated that Gateway Recovery Institute is required to report non-compliance to the Board. Dr. Karp answered Board members' questions.

BOARD TO RECEIVE, REVIEW, DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON UPDATE OF THE FEDERATION OF PODIATRIC MEDICAL BOARDS FEBRUARY 26, 2025, COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE MEETING

Dr. Campbell provided a summary regarding the following:

The Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) annual meeting The podiatric licensing compact
Restructuring of Boards across the jurisdictions
Update on legislation and rulemaking in other jurisdictions
Renewal Fees in other jurisdictions
Jurisprudence exams
Regulatory challenges

Board member composition Board member appointment process Use of title restrictions Wrapback

BOARD TO REVIEW, DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION TO ADOPT A FORMAL POSITION ON THE FOLLOWING ARIZONA PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Ms. Broaddus provided a brief summary of HB2031, HB2049, HB2061, HB2173, HB2346, HB2351, HB2496, HB2632, HB2637, HB2927, SB1024, SB1037, SB1054, SB1235, SB1237, SB1243, SB1447, SB1527, SB1587, SB1607 and SB1678. Ms. Broaddus answered Board members' questions.

BOARD TO RECEIVE, REVIEW, DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION REGARDING TRAINING AND OVERVIEW OF CONFLICT 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

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Broaddus stated that the Attorney General's Office provided the Board's annual notice of representation.

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

Dr. Campbell requested the following items be placed on a future agenda:

- Update of April 1, 2025 lecture by Barbara Campbell, DPM at Midwestern University
- American Foot Care of Nurses Association
- Approval of Gateway Recovery Institute as a Board approved Physicians Health Program
- Podiatric Medical Compact

NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dr. Campbell, seconded by Dr. Forman, and passed unanimously, 4-0, to adjourn the meeting at 9:58 a.m.

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