

**VIRTUAL/TELECONFERENCE
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 15, 2023**

PRESENT: Milton Bond, Jr.; Clarence Chou, M.D.; Callisia Clarke, M.D. (*arrived at 9:14 a.m.*); Kris Ferguson, M.D. (*excused at 8:32 a.m.*); Diane Gerlach, D.O.; Sumeet Goel, D.O.; Stephanie Hilton; Carmen Lerma; Steven Leuthner, M.D.; Lubna Majeed-Haqqi, M.D.; Gregory Schmeling, M.D.; Derrick Siebert, M.D. (*arrived 8:06 a.m.*); Emily Yu, M.D.

STAFF: Tom Ryan, Executive Director; Jameson Whitney, Legal Counsel; Nilajah Hardin, Administrative Rules Coordinator; Dialah Azam, Board Administration Specialist; and other Department staff

CALL TO ORDER

Clarence Chou, Vice Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. A quorum was confirmed with ten (10) members present.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Diane Gerlach moved, seconded by Kris Ferguson, to adopt the Agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER 18, 2023

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Milton Bond Jr., to approve the Minutes of October 18, 2023 as published. Motion carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chairperson

NOMINATION: Callisia Clarke nominated Gregory Schmeling for the Office of Chairperson. Schmeling accepted the nomination.

NOMINATION: Sumeet Goel nominated Clarence Chou for the Office of Chairperson. Chou accepted the nomination.

Tom Ryan, Executive Director, called for nominations three (3) times.

Secret Ballot Vote

Clarence Chou was elected as Chairperson by majority blind ballot vote.

Vice Chairperson

NOMINATION: Derrick Siebert nominated Gregory Schmeling for the Office of Vice Chairperson. Schmeling accepted the nomination.

NOMINATION: Kris Ferguson nominated Sumeet Goel for the Office of Vice Chairperson. Goel accepted the nomination.

Tom Ryan, Executive Director, called for nominations three (3) times.

Secret Ballot Vote

Sumeet Goel was elected as Vice Chairperson by majority blind ballot vote.

Secretary

NOMINATION: Sumeet Goel nominated Kris Ferguson for the Office of Secretary. Ferguson accepted the nomination.

NOMINATION: Stephanie Hilton nominated Gregory Schmeling for the Office of Secretary. Schmeling accepted the nomination.

Tom Ryan, Executive Director, called for nominations three (3) times.

Secret Ballot Vote

Gregory Schmeling was elected as Secretary by majority blind ballot vote.

ELECTION RESULTS	
Chairperson	Clarence Chou
Vice Chairperson	Sumeet Goel
Secretary	Gregory Schmeling

(Kris Ferguson excused at 8:32 a.m.)

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Lubna Majeed-Haqqi, to convene to Closed Session to deliberate on cases following hearing (§ 19.85(1)(a), Stats.); to consider licensure or certification of individuals (§ 19.85(1)(b), Stats.); to consider closing disciplinary investigations with administrative warnings (§ 19.85(1)(b), Stats. and § 448.02(8), Stats.); to consider individual histories or disciplinary data (§ 19.85(1)(f), Stats.); and to confer with legal counsel (§ 19.85(1)(g), Stats.). Clarence Chou, Chairperson, read the language of the motion aloud for the record. The vote of each member was ascertained by voice vote. Roll Call Vote: Milton Bond, Jr.-yes; Clarence Chou-yes; Diane Gerlach-yes; Sumeet Goel-yes; Stephanie Hilton-yes; Carmen Lerma-yes; Steven Leuthner-yes; Lubna Majeed-Haqqi-yes; Gregory Schmeling-yes; Derrick Siebert-yes; and Emily Yu-yes. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board convened into Closed Session at 9:06 a.m.

**DELIBERATION ON DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES AND
COMPLIANCE (DLSC) MATTERS**

Proposed Stipulations, Final Decisions and Orders

22 MED 172 – Lori L. Brooks, M.D.

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Lubna Majeed-Haqqi, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Lori L. Brooks, M.D., DLSC Case Number 22 MED 172. Motion carried unanimously.

(Callisia Clark arrived at 9:14 a.m.)

22 MED 348 – Elissa R. Hellman, M.D.

MOTION: Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Lubna Majeed-Haqqi, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Elissa R. Hellman, M.D., DLSC Case Number 22 MED 348. Motion carried unanimously.

22 MED 405 – Srivathsa C. Veeraraghavan, M.D.

MOTION: Emily Yu moved, seconded by Carmen Lerma, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Srivathsa C. Veeraraghavan, M.D., DLSC Case Number 22 MED 405. Motion carried unanimously.

23 MED 151 – Andrew C. Pahl, M.D.

MOTION: Steven Leuthner moved, seconded by Stephanie Hilton, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Andrew C. Pahl, M.D., DLSC Case Number 23 MED 151. Motion carried unanimously.

23 MED 218 – Victoria M. Jakel, M.D.

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Diane Gerlach, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Victoria M. Jakel, M.D., DLSC Case Number 23 MED 218. Motion carried unanimously.

23 MED 247 – Peter A. Karth, M.D.

MOTION: Emily Yu moved, seconded by Steven Leuthner, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary

proceedings against Peter A. Karth, M.D., DLSC Case Number 23 MED 247. Motion carried unanimously.

Complaints

20 MED 406 – L.K.S.

MOTION: Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Gregory Schmeling, to find probable cause in DLSC Case Number 20 MED 406, to believe that L.K.S. has committed unprofessional conduct, and therefore, to issue the Complaint and hold a hearing on such conduct pursuant to Wis. Stat§ 448.02(3)(b). Motion carried unanimously.

Administrative Warnings

22 MED 100 – M.R.R.

MOTION: Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Lubna Majeed-Haqqi, to issue an Administrative Warning in the matter of M.R.R., DLSC Case Number 22 MED 100. Motion carried unanimously.

23 MED 063 – N.K.

MOTION: Steven Leuthner moved, seconded by Emily Yu, to issue an Administrative Warning in the matter of N.K., DLSC Case Number 23 MED 063. Motion carried unanimously.

23 MED 153 – D.J.B.

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Steven Leuthner, to issue an Administrative Warning in the matter of D.J.B., DLSC Case Number 23 MED 153. Motion carried unanimously.

Case Closings

MOTION: Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Diane Gerlach, to close the following DLSC Cases for the reasons outlined below:

1. 21 MED 243 – E.D.A. – No Violation
2. 22 MED 148 – R.B.H. – No Violation
3. 22 MED 222 – Unknown – No Violation
4. 22 MED 362 – J.R.M. – No Violation
5. 22 MED 365 – C.K.S. – No Violation
6. 22 MED 445 – B.A.W. – Prosecutorial Discretion (P5)
7. 22 MED 499 – J.J.S. – No Violation
8. 23 MED 050 – M.M.N. & A.C.F. – No Violation
9. 23 MED 063 – D.T.M. – No Violation
10. 23 MED 083 – T.K.B. & E.S.W. – No Violation
11. 23 MED 189 – M.P.S. – Insufficient Evidence
12. 23 MED 220 – M.J.S. – No Violation
13. 23 MED 277 – G.A.G. – Insufficient Evidence

Motion carried unanimously.

21 MED 477 – A.J.

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Steven Leuthner, to close DLSC Case Number 21 MED 477, against A.J., for Prosecutorial Discretion (P5). Motion carried unanimously.

CREDENTIALING MATTERS**Full Board Oral Interview****Abdulrahman Rageh, M.D. – Waiver of 24 Months of ACGME/AOA Accredited Post-Graduate Training**

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Sumeet Goel, to approve the waiver of 24 Months of ACGME/AOA Accredited Post-Graduate Training application of Abdulrahman Rageh, M.D. Motion carried unanimously.

Waiver of 24 Months of ACGME/AOA Accredited Post-Graduate Training**Yi Tang, M.D.**

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Emily Yu, to approve the waiver of 24 Months of ACGME/AOA Accredited Post-Graduate Training application of Yi Tang, M.D., and to approve the Medicine and Surgery application of Yi Tang M.D., once all requirements are met. Motion carried unanimously.

Application Review**Brenda Blohm, M.D. – Medicine and Surgery Renewal Applicant**

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Diane Gerlach, to require Brenda Blohm to submit to a Fitness to Practice evaluation with an evaluator approved by the Board or its designee within 30 days and prior to further action on her renewal application, and to refer this matter to DLSC intake for investigation. Motion carried unanimously.

Jan Fraessdorf, M.D.– Visiting Physician Applicant

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Sumeet Goel, to approve the Visiting Physician application of Jan Fraessdorf, once all requirements are met. Motion carried unanimously.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Lubna Majeed-Haqqi, to reconvene to Open Session. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 10:55 a.m.

VOTE ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED UPON IN CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Gregory Schmeling, to affirm all motions made and votes taken in Closed Session. Motion carried unanimously.

(Be advised that any recusals or abstentions reflected in the closed session motions stand for the purposes of the affirmation vote.)

**DELEGATION OF RATIFICATION OF EXAMINATION RESULTS AND
RATIFICATION OF LICENSES AND CERTIFICATES**

MOTION: Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Emily Yu, to delegate ratification of examination results to DSPS staff and to ratify all licenses and certificates as issued. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Sumeet Goel, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.