# VIRTUAL/TELECONFERENCE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 20, 2023

**PRESENT:** Milton Bond, Jr. (arrived at 8:23 a.m.); Clarence Chou, M.D.; Callisia Clarke,

M.D.; Kris Ferguson (arrived at 8:01 a.m.), M.D.; Diane Gerlach, D.O.; Sumeet Goel, D.O. (arrived at 8:01 a.m.); Stephanie Hilton; Carmen Lerma; Lubna Majeed-Haqqi, M.D.; Gregory Schmeling, M.D.; Derrick Siebert, M.D. (excused at 8:16 a.m.) (arrived at 8:36 a.m.); Sheldon Wasserman, M.D.; Emily Yu, M.D.

**STAFF:** Tom Ryan, Executive Director; Jameson Whitney, Legal Counsel; Nilajah

Hardin, Administrative Rules Coordinator; Dialah Azam, Board Administrative

Specialist; and other Department staff

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Sheldon Wasserman, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. A quorum was confirmed with nine (9) members present.

## ADOPTION OF AGENDA

**MOTION:** Diane Gerlach moved, seconded by Gregory Schmeling, to adopt the

Agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously.

(Sumeet Goel arrived at 8:01 a.m.)

(Kris Ferguson arrived at 8:01 a.m.)

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 16, 2023**

**MOTION:** Clarence Chou moved, seconded by Emily Yu, to approve the Minutes of

August 16, 2023 as published. Motion carried unanimously.

#### LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY MATTERS

## **Legislative Proposals**

**MOTION:** Diane Gerlach moved, seconded by Gregory Schmeling, to reaffirm the following motions:

- MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Diane Gerlach, that the Medical Examining Board requests that its legal name be changed to "Wisconsin Medical Board," and that the Board supports the passage of legislation to that effect. Motion carried unanimously.
- MOTION: Diane Gerlach moved, seconded by Clarence Chou, to support a clarification to the Wisconsin statutes regarding the membership of the Medical Examining Board to include a minimum of one doctor of osteopathy among the ten professional members of the Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion carried unanimously.

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#### ADMINISTRATIVE RULE MATTERS

# Preliminary Rule Draft: Gen Couns 1 to 5, Relating to Genetic Counselors

**MOTION**: Diane Gerlach moved, seconded by Carmen Lerma, to affirm the Board

has reviewed the proposed rule creating Wisconsin Administrative Code Chapters Gen Couns 1 to 5, relating to Genetic Counselors. Motion carried

unanimously.

(Milton Bond Jr. arrived 8:23 a.m.)

(Derrick Siebert arrived 8:36 a.m.)

# ADDRESSING THE ISSUE OF OPIOID ABUSE - BOARD GOAL SETTING FOR 2024

**MOTION:** Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Gregory Schmeling, to adopt the goals

for 2024 to address the issue of opioid abuse as presented at today's

meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

**MOTION:** 

Diane Gerlach moved, seconded by Callisia Clarke, 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.). Sheldon Wasserman, 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; Callisia Clarke-yes; Kris Ferguson-yes; Diane Gerlach-yes; Sumeet Goel-yes; Stephanie Hilton-yes; Carmen Lerma-yes; Lubna Majeed-Haqqi-yes; Gregory Schmeling-yes; Sheldon Wasserman-yes; and Emily Yu-yes. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board convened into Closed Session at 9:07 a.m.

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

# **Proposed Stipulations, Final Decisions and Orders**

21 MED 191 – Francis F. Joseph, M.D.

**MOTION:** Lubna Majeed-Haqqi moved, seconded by Callisia Clarke, to adopt the

Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Francis F. Joseph, M.D., DLSC Case

Number 21 MED 191. Motion carried unanimously.

# 21 MED 363 – Daniel R. Canchola, M.D.

**MOTION:** 

Clarence Chou moved, seconded by Diane Gerlach, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Daniel R. Canchola, M.D., DLSC Case Number 21 MED 363. Motion carried unanimously.

### 21 MED 500 – James V. Lynott, M.D.

**MOTION:** 

Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Clarence Chou, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against James V. Lynott, M.D., DLSC Case Number 21 MED 500. Motion carried unanimously.

# 22 MED 171 – Nebojsa Stevanovic, M.D.

**MOTION:** 

Lubna Majeed-Haqqi moved, seconded by Carmen Lerma, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Nebojsa Stevanovic, M.D., DLSC Case Number 22 MED 171. Motion carried unanimously.

# 22 MED 245 – Joann C. Litkey, M.D.

**MOTION:** 

Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Clarence Chou, to reject the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Joann C. Litkey, M.D., DLSC Case Number 22 MED 245. Motion carried unanimously.

# 22 MED 345 - Paul N. Greenlaw, M.D.

**MOTION:** 

Emily Yu moved, seconded by Gregory Schmeling, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Paul N. Greenlaw, M.D., DLSC Case Number 22 MED 345. Motion carried unanimously.

# 23 MED 008 – Jeffrey L. Dunham, M.D.

**MOTION:** 

Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Clarence Chou, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Jeffrey L. Dunham, M.D., DLSC Case Number 23 MED 008. Motion carried unanimously.

## 23 MED 031 – Craig D. Ramsdell, M.D.

**MOTION:** 

Lubna Majeed-Haqqi moved, seconded by Diane Gerlach, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of

disciplinary proceedings against Craig D. Ramsdell, M.D., DLSC Case Number 23 MED 031. Motion carried unanimously.

## 23 MED 086 – Kimberly J. Marlowe, M.D.

**MOTION:** 

Diane Gerlach moved, seconded by Gregory Schmeling, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Kimberly J. Marlowe, M.D., DLSC Case Number 23 MED 086. Motion carried unanimously.

# 23 MED 144 – Dana J. Onifer, M.D.

**MOTION:** 

Lubna Majeed-Haqqi moved, seconded by Gregory Schmeling, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Dana J. Onifer, M.D., DLSC Case Number 23 MED 144. Motion carried unanimously.

# **Administrative Warnings**

#### 21 MED 554 – P.C.H.

**MOTION:** 

Stephanie Hilton moved, seconded by Clarence Chou, to issue an Administrative Warning in the matter of P.C.H., DLSC Case Number 21 MED 554. Motion carried unanimously.

# **Case Closings**

**MOTION:** 

Carmen Lerma moved, seconded by Emily Yu, to close the following DLSC Cases for the reasons outlined below:

- 1. 22 MED 045 L.S. Prosecutorial Discretion (P2)
- 2. 22 MED 132 L.M.L. No Violation
- 3. 22 MED 476 T.D. No Violation
- 4. 22 MED 554 P.R.H. No Violation
- 5. 22 MED 562 K.D.S. No Violation
- 6. 23 MED 100 K.M. Prosecutorial Discretion (P5)
- 7. 23 MED 128 M.M. No Violation
- 8. 23 MED 186 A.D.L. Insufficient Evidence
- 9. 23 MED 315 T.A.P. Prosecutorial Discretion (P1)

Motion carried unanimously.

## 23 MED 210 - B.P.T.

**MOTION:** 

Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Emily Yu, to close DLSC Case Number 23 MED 210, against B.P.T., for No Violation. Motion carried unanimously.

(Sheldon Wasserman recused themself and left the room for deliberation and voting in the matter concerning B.P.T., DLSC Case Number 23 MED 210.)

#### **CREDENTIALING MATTERS**

# Waiver of 24 Months of ACGME/AOA Accredited Post-Graduate Training

## Samuel Pennella, M.D.

**MOTION:** Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Clarence Chou, to deny the

waiver of 24 Months of ACGME/AOA Accredited Post-Graduate Training application of Samuel Pennella, M.D. **Reason for Denial**: Med 1.02 3(c) the Board finds the documented education and training is not substantially equivalent to the required training and experience. Motion

carried unanimously.

# Abdulrahman Rageh, M.D.

**MOTION:** Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Sumeet Goel, to request

Abdulrahman Rageh, M.D. submit additional information regarding his departure from the University of North Carolina program, and to arrange for an oral interview with the Board pursuant to Med 1.02 3(c). Motion

carried unanimously.

# Adeloye Soyege, M.D.

**MOTION:** Diane Gerlach moved, seconded by Sumeet Goel, to approve the waiver of

24 Months of ACGME/AOA Accredited Post-Graduate Training application of Adeloye Soyege, M.D., once all requirements are met.

Motion carried.

## **Application Review**

# Victor Garrido – Visiting Physician, Medicine and Surgery

**MOTION:** Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Sumeet Goel, to request the

required information be provided to support the Visiting Physician

application of Victor Garrido. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Thomas Meuser – Visiting Physician, Medicine and Surgery

**MOTION:** Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Diane Gerlach, to approve the

Visiting Physician application of Thomas Meuser, once all requirements

are met. Motion carried unanimously.

# Carlos Sierra-Rodriguez – Medicine and Surgery Applicant

**MOTION:** Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Callisia Clarke, to table the

Medicine and Surgery application of Carlos Sierra-Rodriguez, and designate Sheldon Wasserman and Gregory Schmeling to research the

equivalence of the SPEX exam. Motion carried unanimously.

## RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

**MOTION:** Lubna Majeed-Haqqi moved, seconded by Clarence Chou, to reconvene to

Open Session. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 10:44 a.m.

## VOTE ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED UPON IN CLOSED SESSION

**MOTION:** Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Callisia Clarke, 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:** Callisia Clarke 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:** Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Gregory Schmeling, to adjourn the

meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m.