

STATE OF MARYLAND

BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING

September 12, 2019 – 10:20 A.M. TO 11:27 A.M.

MDH METRO EXECUTIVE BUILDING
CONFERENCE ROOM 110
4201 PATTERSON AVENUE
BALTIMORE, MD 21215

Board Members Present

Gregory Lewis, D.C., President
Michael Moskowitz, D.C., Vice President-AB
Joshua Levin, D.C., Secretary-AB
Robert Frieman, D.C., Board Member
Kindra Ingram, D.C., Board Member
Karen Munter, Consumer Member
Nelson Miranda, Consumer Member

Non-Members Present

Sharon J. Oliver, MBA, Executive Director
Adrienne Congo, MS, Deputy Director
Grant D. Gerber, AAG, Board Counsel
David Ford, Investigator IV, Board Staff
Pamela Alston, Admin. Specialist, Board Staff
Lillian Reese, Legislative Coordinator
Dr. Louis Crivelli, MCA
Marc Ware, Investigator, Board Staff

MINUTES

On September 12, 2019, the Maryland State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (the “Board”) met in Baltimore, Maryland at the MD Department of Health – Metro Executive Building. In accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act, the regular meeting agenda was made available online at least 24 – hours prior to the meeting.

Call to Order, Roll Call, and Announcements – Dr. Gregory Lewis, President, called the Open Session Chiropractic Board Meeting to order at 10:20 a.m. Five (5) out of seven (7) Board Members were present. Board Members Dr. Joshua Levin and Dr. Michael Moskowitz were absent

The order of the Open Session agenda was revised to accommodate the presentation of the President’s Report by Dr. Lewis who had to depart early to attend the NBCE Conference in Colorado.

President’s Report -

Legislative Updates:

Chiropractic Assistant (CA) Indirect Supervision – Secretary Robert Neall signed off on the proposed CA Indirect Supervision regulations.

Dry-Needling Legislation - On September 10, 2019, there was a meeting of representatives from the Secretary’s office, and the Chiropractic, Acupuncture & Physical Therapy Boards. At the conclusion of the meeting, the proposal was for each representative to discuss the number of acceptable hours required for on-hands training in Dry Needling with their respective Board. There was a recommendation to update the language on page 7 of the proposed regulation to “*The Board approved coursework consisting of 20 hours to be completed in a classroom setting, with a minimum of 15 hours of hands on training, including but not limited to the following topics.*” A motion to adopt the current proposal and submit to Secretary

Neall's Office for approval was made by Dr. Frieman with a 2nd by Karen Munter. The motion passed with one dissenting vote.

Dr. Lewis departed the meeting and Dr. Frieman assumed the Acting Chair's role.

The Open Session Agenda was approved, with revisions & additions. Dr. Frieman motioned to accept the amended agenda with a 2nd by Karen Munter. The motion passed.

The August 15, 2019 Open Session Minutes were approved. Karen Munter motioned to accept with a 2nd by Nelson Miranda. The motion passed.

New Business -

Preceptor's Application (Catonsville, Maryland) – Dr. Frieman & Karen Munter will conduct the site visit with David Ford, Senior Investigator.

Preceptor's Application (Towson, Maryland) – Dr. Lewis & Nelson Miranda will conduct the site visit with David Ford, Senior Investigator.

Committee Reports/Recommendations – CE Committee

“Teaching Yoga for Arthritis”, Submitted by Kathryn Githens (10 CE Hours) – The CE Committee recommended approval of this course. The Board recommended that the matter be tabled and Board staff contact Ms. Gittens to ascertain if she wants to resubmit her request to obtain CE approval credits for Chiropractic Assistants and Chiropractors.

Executive Director -

Chiropractors Renewal

Bi- Annual Renewal Process Feedback –Eight hundred and eighty-six (886) Chiropractors have completed renewals as of 09/01/2019. This represents an approximate ninety-six percent (96%) renewal rate. Three hundred and sixty (360) individuals responded to an eight question survey. The feedback indicated between ninety to ninety-two percent (90%-92 %) reported the renewal process was excellent or good. Ms. Oliver thanked the staff for their work during the renewal period. One goal is for the Board to go green/paperless during the next renewal cycle.

Mileage Reimbursement Rates – The Board received notification from the Department of `Budget and Management (DBM) that effective 09/01/19 is the mileage reimbursement rate is .58 cents per mile.

Nominations for 2020 expiring Board positions – Nominations are due by Monday, November 11, 2019, to the Maryland Department of Health for the Governor's approval. The Maryland Chiropractic Association has been notified of the deadline to submit names of nominees. Because all prospective Board Members must now go before the Senate for approval, the timeline for the nominating and appointment process has been extended.

New Board Member Orientation – Scheduled to take place at The UMBC Tech Center on Monday, October 7, 2019. Ms. Sharon Oliver will be in attendance and existing Board Members are encouraged to attend.

Board Counsel

Gender Identification requirement on Application – Based on his research Grant Gerber advised that the Board model its application after the MVA Driver’s License application. The new gender selection options (Male, Female, Other, or Unspecified) are scheduled to take effect on the Maryland driver’s license application In October 2019. . Dr. Frieman motions to add a third gender category to the Chiropractic applications by the next renewal cycle, pending other guidance from the Department of Health. The motion was 2nd by Karen Munter and passed.

Ratification of New Licensees & Registrants – August 2019

Newly Licensed Chiropractors: August 2019

License No.	Name	Original License Date
S04024	PHARES, CHARLIE J.	08/22/2019
S04025	KRAMER, EMILY E.	08/29/2019
S04026	SHIFRIN, MIKHAEL A.	08/29/2019

Newly Registered Chiropractic Assistants: August 2019- None

Motion to accept the newly registered Chiropractic Assistants by Karen Munter, 2nd by Nelson Miranda to ratify all new Licensees & Registrants. The motion passed. Congratulations to the New Registrants & Welcome to the State of Maryland!

CURRENT BOARD DATA

Licensee Category	Status Codes	Numbers
Chiropractor	Active	920
Chiropractor	Inactive	70
Chiropractic Assistant	Active	644
Chiropractic Assistant	Inactive	18

Miscellaneous - There was a motion to approve a Board Member’s attendance at the “Inter-professional Collaborative Spine” Conference on November 8-9, 2019 in Pittsburgh, PA. There was no 2nd to support the motion. There was a recommendation to submit this matter to the full Board for review and approval via teleconference.

Dr. Frieman moved to adjourn the Open Session Meeting at 11:27 a.m. and enter the Closed Session Meeting; 2nd by Karen Munter. The motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,



Joshua Levin, D.C.
Secretary/Treasurer