



STATE OF MARYLAND BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING
August 13, 2020 – 10:06 A.M. TO 10:56 A.M.

TELECONFERENCE CALL

**MDH METRO EXECUTIVE BUILDING
4201 PATTERSON AVENUE
BALTIMORE, MD 21215**

Board Members Present

Gregory Lewis, D.C., President
Joshua Levin, D.C., Vice President
Kindra Ingram, D.C., Secretary
Paul M. Abosh, D.C. Board Member
Karen Munter, Consumer Member
Ella E. Pantazis, D.C. Board Member
Nelson Miranda, Consumer Member

Non-Members Present

Sharon J. Oliver, MBA, Executive Director
Marc Ware, Senior Investigator
Grant D. Gerber, AAG, Board Counsel
Pamela Alston, Admin. Specialist, Board Staff
Lillian Reese, Legislative Specialist

*See attached list of call in participants

MINUTES

On August 13, 2020, the Maryland State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (the “Board”) met via Teleconference Call for the Open Session Meeting.

Call to Order & Roll Call - Dr. Gregory Lewis, President, called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. Roll was called & all Board Members were present.

The Amended Open Session Agenda was approved - Motion to approve the Amended Open Session Agenda by Dr. Abosh; 2nd by Dr. Levin. The motion passed; Board Vote: 7/0/0.

Review/Approval of Open Session Minutes - July 9, 2020 - Motion to approve the Open Session Minutes by Dr. Levin; 2nd by Nelson Miranda. The motion passed. Board Vote: 7/0/0.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Dr. Lewis indicated that he completed the free online Diversity course offered by FSMTB. He recommended that all Board members take the course.

COVID-19 Testing for Patients - If a patient requests to have a COVID test, the healthcare provider must order the COVID test per Governor Hogan’s Order (*MDH 2020-07-01-0*). Specialty healthcare providers may refer a patient to a primary care provider.

NEW BUSINESS

Preceptor Application Approval - Erica Wise, DC- The preceptor site passed the inspection.

Preceptor Application Approval - Patrick Graux, DC- The preceptor site passed the inspection.

Motion to approve preceptor sites by Dr. Pantazis; 2nd by Dr. Abosh. The motion passed. Board Vote: 7/0/0.

Preceptor Application - (Baltimore, MD) - Dr. Paul Abosh volunteered to conduct Preceptor site visit with Marc Ware, Investigator.

BOARD COUNSEL

Recusal Policies - Grant Gerber discussed the recusal policy procedures COMAR [§10.31.01] with the Board. He reminded Board members to remain neutral during their recusal and if necessary, he is available to offer recusal guidance to Board Members.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Jurisprudence Examination Administration Update - Testing will resume at 4201 Patterson Avenue. The DC Exams will take place on August 18, 2020 & the CA exams are scheduled to take place on August 20, 2020. Dr. Abosh and Dr. Levin have volunteered to assist with proctoring the examinations. Sharon Oliver thanked Dr. Keith Scott for his assistance in identifying alternative testing sites. Dr. Lewis thanked Sharon Oliver for her hard work to scheduling the examinations.

Staff Update - Sharon Oliver announced that the new Licensing Coordinator will start on August 26, 2020. A recruitment request for the Deputy Director position has been submitted to HR.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CEU Committee Reports/Recommendations

“Immune Rejuvenation & Personalized Lifestyle Medicine in a Pandemic Era” - Submitted by Marc Gammerman, D.C. (14 CEU Hours) The Committee voted to approve this course. Motion to accept the CE Committee recommendations. The motion passed. Board Vote: 7/0/0.

Bylaws/Regulations

Regulations (Lillian Reese and Dr. Ingram) - The Committee, Board Counsel, Sharon Oliver and Lillian Reese worked on the revisions in the language regarding the CA X-Ray requirements and educational portion of the regulations. Dr. Ingram thanked Lillian Reese for her hard work on the revisions. Dr. Lewis suggested sending the CA X-Ray requirements portion to the regulations committee for further review. Board Discussion.

Ratification of New Licensees and Registrants - July 2020 - None

Current Board Data

Board	Status Codes	Numbers
Chiropractor	Active	902
Chiropractor	Inactive	42
Chiropractor Assistant	Active	725
Chiropractor Assistant	Inactive	17

MISCELLANEOUS

Next Meeting Date – September 10, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

Dr. Levin moved to adjourn the Administrative Session Meeting at 10:56 a.m.; 2nd by Dr. Pantazis. The motion passed. Board Vote: 7/0/0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kindra Ingram by SSO

Kindra Ingram, D.C.

Secretary/Treasurer