

BOARD OF PODIATRIC MEDICAL EXAMINERS

OPEN SESSION MEETING

MINUTES

October 13, 2016

Room 110

The Public Session Meeting commenced at 1:18 PM, opened by Board President, Dr. Philip Cohen.

Board members attending were: Drs. Chattler, Friedman, and Umezurike. Consumer members present were Ms. Frona Kroopnick and Mr. Jay Boyar. Board member H. David Gottlieb, D.P.M. was absent.

Board staff present: Eva Schwartz, Executive Director, Tony DeFranco, AAG, Board Counsel, Sheri Henderson, Deputy Executive Director, Elizabeth Amspacher, Licensing Coordinator, Kristen Neville, Legislative and Regulations Coordinator, Danielle Vallone, Board Investigator.

Guests present : Drs. Glazer and Rothstein. Representing DHMH, Sharon Bloom.

A. MINUTES:

1. Approval of minutes from September 8, 2016 Meeting

The Board reviewed the minutes from the September 8, 2016 meeting. It was noted that under new business topic number six there needed to be a change. It stated that Drs. Cohen and Gottlieb volunteered to augment the Jurisprudence Examination, when it was Drs. Cohen and Umezurike that volunteered. After the name change, the minutes were approved unanimously.

B. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Proposed COMAR 10.40.02.03 Initial licensing requirements- Criminal Record Check

The Board further discussed how to initiate the proposed COMAR 10.40.02.03 Initial licensing requirements- Criminal Background Check. Ms. Schwartz will compile a list of the most commonly known facilities that conduct background checks to list on the Board's website. The Board will also try to implement a way for licensees to have the ability to get a background check from their current location which then can come to the Board. The CJIS link, <https://www.dpsscs.state.md.us/publicservs/fingerprint.shtml>, will be added to the full license application.

C. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Requirement to post on website or publish via any media the Public Meeting Agenda, Effective October 1, 2016.

The Board was made aware that the new requirement stating a Public Meeting's Agenda must be posted on the website prior to the meeting is now effective. The Board will add a disclaimer to the website letting the public know that all Board Agendas are subject to change up until the time of the meeting.

2. MPMA Newsletter- Executive Director's Message

The Board was given a copy of the Executive Director's Message from the Maryland Podiatric Medical Association's newsletter for informational purposes.

3. REMINDER-New Board Member Orientation - November 14, 2016

The Board was reminded about the date and requirement for new Board members to attend the New Board Members Orientation seminar.

4. Proposed Legislation-Prescription Drug Monitoring Program

The Board was made aware that the deadline of October 1, 2016 to register with the PDMP has been changed. The new deadline is July 1, 2017. All Podiatrists must be registered by the new July 1, 2017 deadline to be able to prescribe opioids and/or to renew their CDS permits.

5. FYI-Topics Quarterly Newsletter Volume 31/No. 3 Fall 2016 from Gordon,

Feinblatt, Rothman, Hoffberger & Hollander, LLC

The Board received a copy of Topics Quarterly Newsletter Volume 31/No. 3 Fall 2016 from Gordon, Feinblatt, Rothman, Hoffberger & Hollander, LLC for informational purposes.

6. PDMP Violations- Proposed Legislation

The Board discussed the proposed legislation for PDMP violations. In the proposed legislation, it requires the PDMP to analyze data to see if there have been legal violations by prescribers and dispensers, therefore requiring the PDMP to enter into a contract with a third party. It also allows the PDMP to refer findings of violations to a law enforcement agency. The Board made a motion to oppose the legislation as written and require that the PDMP refer findings of violations to the Board as opposed to any law enforcement agency first. The Board voted unanimously to oppose the proposed legislation.

7. Review of eligibility for FULL License:

a. Jennifer Seifert, D.P.M.

The above identified licensure candidate was approved unanimously for the issuance of a full Maryland License.

With no further business, the Board meeting concluded at 2:01 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay H. Boyar, Secretary/Treasurer

