



899 North Capitol St. NE – 2nd Floor
Washington, DC 20002
February 22, 2017
8:53 am – 9:45 am

BOARD OF MEDICINE

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

Mission Statement:

“To **protect** and enhance the health, safety, and well-being of District of Columbia residents by **promoting** evidence-based best practices in health regulation, high standards of quality care and implementing policies that **prevent** adverse events.”

BOARD MEETING PARTICIPANTS:

BOARD MEMBERS:	
Janis Orlowski, MD (JO)	
Anitra Denson, MD (AD)	
Lawrence Manning, MD (LM)	ARRIVED LATE AT 9:10 AM
Andrea Anderson, MD (AA)	ARRIVED LATE AT 9:00 AM
Thomas Dawson, Esq. (TD)	
Jeffrey Smith, MD (JS)	
Kelly Ann Colden, MD (KC)	ABSENT
Terrence Straub (TS)	
Treazure Johnson, Esq. (TJ)	ABSENT
Vikisha Fripp, MD (VF)	
David Wessel, MD (DW)	ABSENT
Thomas Smith (TS2)	
BOARD STAFF:	
Frank Meyers, JD – Executive Director	
Lisa Robinson – Health Licensing Specialist	
Mary Harris – Health Licensing Specialist	
Aisha Nixon – Health Licensing Specialist	ABSENT
Angela Braxton – Health Licensing Specialist	ABSENT
Shivangi Bhatt – Temp/ Contractor	
Emilia Moran – Investigator	ABSENT
Diane Moorer – IT Support	
LEGAL STAFF:	
Suzanne Fenzel, Esq. – Board Attorney Advisor	
Ajay Gohil, Esq. – Board Attorney Advisor	
Christopher Boone, Esq. – Law Clerk	

CASE ASSIGNMENTS:

BOARD MEMBERS:	
Janis Orlowski (JO)	OS-17-02-001 to 009.
Anitra Denson (AD)	OS-17-02-001 to 009.
Lawrence Manning (LM)	OS-17-02-001 to 009.
Andrea Anderson (AA)	OS-17-02-001 to 009.
Thomas Dawson, Esq. (TD)	OS-17-02-001 to 009.
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Terrance Straub (TS)	OS-17-02-001 to 009.
Treazure Johnson, Esq. (TJ)	OS-17-02-001 to 009.
Vikisha Fripp (VF)	OS-17-02-001 to 009.
David Wessel (DW)	N/A
Thomas Smith (TS2)	OS-17-02-001 to 009.

The agenda begins on the next page with the Open Session items.¹

¹ The order in which the following agenda items are listed does not necessarily reflect the order in which the items will be discussed during the meeting.

OPEN SESSION

8:30 am to 10:30 am

CALL TO ORDER

OS-17-02-001
ALL

INTRODUCTIONS

A. BOARD MEMBERS

B. BOARD STAFF

APPROVAL OF MINUTES, CONSENT AGENDA AND STAFF REPORTS

OS-17-02-002
ALL

BOARD/DEPARTMENT REPORT

A. BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT

a. Recognition of Dr. Marc Rankin

Dr. Marc Rankin's last meeting as a member of the Board of Medicine was on January 25, 2017. The Board will be formally recognizing Dr. Rankin's outstanding service and commitment to the Board and the citizen's of the District of Columbia.

B. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

a. Licensure Census Update

The Executive Director provided an update on the number of current active licenses issued by the Board of Medicine, outlined as follows:

- i. Acupuncturist – 168
- ii. Anesthesiologist Assistant – 62
- iii. Medical Training License I(A) – 1,129
- iv. Medical Training License I(B) – 380
- v. Medical Training License II – 24
- vi. MTR – 332
- vii. Medicine and Surgery – 9,530
- viii. Naturopath Physician – 50
- ix. Osteopathy and Surgery – 268
- x. Physician Assistant – 660
- xi. Polysom. Technician – 2
- xii. Polysom. Technologist – 78
- xiii. Polysom. Trainee – 16
- xiv. Surgical Assistant – 117
- xv. Trauma Technologist – 5

b. Licensure Renewal Update

The Executive Director provided an update to the Board on the status of the current renewal cycle, as follows:

- i. Acupuncturist – 160 (84%)
- ii. Anesthesiologist Assistant – 56 (%)
- iii. Medicine and Surgery – 9,268 (86%)
- iv. Naturopath Physician – 46 (92%)

- v. Osteopathy and Surgery – 243 (81%)
- vi. Physician Assistant – 624 (83%)
- vii. Polysom. Technologist – 58 (81%)
- viii. Polysom. Trainee – 7 (47%)
- ix. Surgical Assistant – 109 (82%)
- x. Trauma Technologist – 5 (100%)

c. Board Member Stastics

Dr. Denson was recently switched from the physician member slot to the representative of the Department of Health. In light of this change, as well as the recent additions of new members, the Executive Director provided an update as to the current makeup of the Board and efforts to fill the remaining Board member slots.

The Board has a total of fifteen (15) slots, of which ten (10) are physician members, four (4) are consumer members, and one (1) is a representative of the Department of Health. Currently the Board has eight (8) physician members serving active terms, three (3) consumer members serving active terms, one (1) consumer member serving an expired term, and one (1) representative from the Department of Health serving an active term. Thus, the Board has slots for two (2) physician members and one (1) consumer member.

The Executive Director has been in communications with the Mayor's Office of Talen and Appointments (MOTA) to fill the remaining slots. As of the date of the meeting, MOTA was moving forward a potential public member as well as a potential physician member.

C. BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT

a. Telemedicine Workgroup Meeting

The Board Attorney provided an update on the status of the telemedicine regulations following the recent meeting of the Telemedicine Taskforce. Several suggested changes were made from the stakeholder attendees at the meeting, which staff is incorporating into the draft regulations. The full results and updated draft regulations will be ready for Board discussion in March.

OS-17-02-003 ALL	<p><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES</u></p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the January 25, 2017 meeting.</p> <p>Background: The Open Session Minutes are a record of the Board's past meeting(s), describing the events, list of attendees, a statement of the issues considered and related responses or decisions of the Board.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*****</p> <p>Discussion: Dr. Orlowski updated the Board about a delay in finalizing the minutes, due to staff adding more detailed information. Thus, the Board minutes from the January meeting will be provided for Board review and approval at the next meeting.</p> <p>Motion: This matter was tabled for the minutes to be finalized, and so no formal action was taken at this time.</p>	
OS-17-02-004 ALL	<p><u>OPEN CONSENT AGENDA</u></p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the current February 22, 2017 Open Consent Agenda items for purposes of review and/or ratification of Board actions taken since the last Board meeting.</p> <p>Background: The Open Consent Agenda is a record of the decisions and/or actions taken by the Board or its staff since the last meeting of the Board.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*****</p> <p>Discussion: The Board members were asked if any changes were necessary, to which no comments were received.</p> <p>Motion: Motion made by Mr. Dawson to approve the Open Consent Agenda. Seconded by Dr. Anderson.</p> <p>Dr. Anderson, Dr. Fripp, Dr. Mannin, Dr. Smith, Mr. Smith, Dr. Denson, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Straub, and Dr. Orlowski voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	

MISC. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

OS-17-02-005
ALL

**REQUEST FOR COURSE APPROVAL FROM AMERICAN
SAFETY AND HEALTH INSISTITUTE (ASHI)**

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Board Action:

The Board received a request from ASHI to be approved as an agency providing life support training as defined in DC Code 3-1205.4.

Background:

In August of 2015 the Board received a request from ASHI seeking Board approval as agency that provides courses to Trauma Technologists in life support training as defined in DC Code 3-1205.04(r)(3)(A). Specifically, DC Code 3-1205.04(r)(3)(A) states:

Successfully completed and provided evidence of course completion of a life support training course, which includes all adult, child, and infant cardiopulmonary resuscitation and airway obstruction skills, **from an agency approved by the Board**, which teaches these skills in accordance with the current American Heart Association Guidelines for Basic Life Support at the health care provider level; (emphasis added)

Following intial review and discussion, in September of 2015 the Board voted to send this matter to the Trauma Technologist advisory committee to make a recommendation. However, this matter was never sent to the Trauma Technologist advisory committee, as it was never formed, and now the legislation establishing this advisory committee has been removed.

Recently staff reached out to prior members of the Trauma Technologist Taskforce to seek their input. A response was received from Dr. Alexandra Rucker, MD, with Children's National Medical Center, stating the course appears to meet the statutory requirements for approval.

Discussion:

The Board reviewed and discussed the feedback from the members of the Trauma Technologist Taskforce regarding this request, and ultimately concluded the program met the necessary requirements for approval.

Motion:

Motion made by Mr. Straub to approve the minutes. Seconded by Mr. Smith.

Dr. Anderson, Dr. Fripp, Dr. Mannin, Dr. Smith, Mr. Smith, Dr. Denson, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Straub, and Dr. Orlowski voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

OS-17-02-006 ALL	<p><u>REQUEST FOR EARLY MTL RENEWALS</u></p> <p>Board Action: To review the request from St. Elizabeths to allow for early submission and processing of MTL renewal applications.</p> <p>Background: Due to recent events in national immigration policy, concerns have been raised by various GME programs regarding the need for foreign residents to have their MTL licenses renewed early so they can obtain VISA approval as soon as possible. Board approval is required due to 17 DCMR 4611.4(c), as it states postgraduate physicians are not allowed to submit MTL renewal applications earlier than March 1st.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*****</p> <p>Discussion: The Board discussed the need from the various training to apply for MTL renewal early, due to recent changes and uncertainty regarding US immigration policy. The Board expressed a desire to ensure that this policy be extended to all applicants with similar VISA issues, and not just those at St. Elizabeths.</p> <p>Motion: Motion made Dr. Anderson to waive the requirement that applications not be received by March 1st, but only for this renewal year. Any future waiver will need to be discussed again or addressed via changes to regulations. Seconded by Dr. Denson.</p> <p>Dr. Anderson, Dr. Fripp, Dr. Mannin, Dr. Smith, Mr. Smith, Dr. Denson, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Straub, and Dr. Orłowski voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	FM
OS-17-02-007 ALL	<p><u>WAIVER OF POSTGRADUATE TRAINING REQUIREMENTS</u></p> <p>Board Action: To review existing postgraduate training regulations for purposes of determining whether to grant a waiver of various requirements pursuant to 17 DCMR 4611.7.</p> <p>Background: Pursuant to 17 DCMR 4611.12, any postgraduate physician coming to the District for a ninety (90) day rotation, but who holds a license in another jurisdiction, must apply for either an MTL license or a full license. This presents a significant challenge, as it is an increased cost (\$0.00 for MTR vs. \$ 100.00 for an MTL / \$805.00 for a full license) to applicants as well as a procedural hurdle for staff.</p> <p>Pursuant to 17 DCMR 4611.7, “[t]he Board...may waive any requirement for obtaining a medical training license or registration upon good cause.” Staff recommends waiving the existing requirements, as outlined above, so as to accomplish the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Extend the MTR period to one hundred twenty (120) days; 	FM

	<p>and</p> <p>2. Allow anyone seeking an MTR, regardless of licensure in another jurisdiction, to obtain an MTR license.</p> <p>A copy of the regulations are being provided for the Board's review.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*****</p> <p>Discussion: The Board discussed a desire to allow everyone coming into a residency program to get an MTL license, regardless of their licensure status in another jurisdiction, however they were concerned with granting MTLs to individuals in fellowships. The Board discussed the role of fellows, including their greater level of independence in treating patients, and the fact that an MTL license may not grant the necessary amount of oversight. Ultimately the Board felt fellows would need to obtain a full license to practice in a fellowship.</p> <p>Motion: Motion made by Mr. Dawson to allow all residents, regardless of licensure status in another jurisdiction, to obtain an MTL license. All fellows will need a full license, but the Board can grant exceptions on a case by case basis if needed. Seconded by Dr. Anderson.</p> <p>Dr. Anderson, Dr. Fripp, Dr. Mannin, Dr. Smith, Mr. Smith, Dr. Denson, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Straub, and Dr. Orłowski voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
<p>OS-17-02-008 ALL</p>	<p><u>ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER</u></p> <p>Board Action: To review the recent Administrative Order issued by the DC Court of Appeals.</p> <p>Background: Recently the DC Court of Appeals issued Administrative Order 4-16, which requires mandatory mediation for certain appeals. This includes appeals for Board disciplinary orders. This is for informational purposes.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*****</p> <p>Discussion: The Board discussed the nature of the order and the potential impact it would have on future Board disciplinary cases. Ultimately the Board was not concerned with this order, as it only affected matters on appeal which were already outside the jurisdiction of the Board.</p> <p>Motion: This item was for informational purposes only, and so no formal action was taken.</p>	<p>FM</p>

<p>OS-17-02-009 ALL</p>	<p><u>ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR</u></p> <p>Board Action: To nominate and elect a new Vice Chairperson of the Board.</p> <p>Background: With the resignation of the Board's previous Vice Chairperson, Dr. Marc Rankin, MD, the Board is in need of a new Vice Chairperson. The Vice Chairperson will chair meetings when the Chairperson is unavailable.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*****</p> <p>Discussion: The Board discussed the need for a new Vice Chairperson following the departure of Dr. Rankin, including what role said Vice Chairperson plays. The Board members were asked if anyone wanted to serve as Vice Chairperson, to which ultimately Dr. Denson, Dr. Anderson, Dr. Fripp and Dr. Smith expressed interest.</p> <p>The Board Attorney was asked if the position could be rotated, to which the Board was information the position of Vice Chairperson is not set by statute or regulation, but was a policy of the Board and so they could arrange it however they decided.</p> <p>Ultimately the Board decided to rotate the position of Vice Chairperson each quarter, with Dr. Denson serving the first term.</p> <p>Motion: No formal action was taken at this time.</p>	<p>FM</p>
<p>MOTION TO CLOSE</p>		
	<p><u>MOTION TO CLOSE</u></p> <p>Motion: Motion made by Dr. Manning to go into closed session pursuant to DC Official Code 2-575(b) for discussion of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To consult with an attorney to obtain legal advice and to preserve the attorney-client privilege between an attorney and a public body, or to approve settlement agreements pursuant to 2-575(b)(4)(a); 2. Preparation, administration, or grading of scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examinations pursuant to section 2-575(b)(6); 3. To discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to section 2-575(b)(9); 4. To plan, discuss, or hear reports concerning ongoing or planned investigation of alleged criminal or civil misconduct or violations of law or regulations, if disclosure to the public would harm the investigation pursuant to section 2- 	

	<p>575(b)(14).</p> <p>Seconded by Dr. Denson.</p> <p>Dr. Anderson, Dr. Fripp, Dr. Mannin, Dr. Smith, Mr. Smith, Dr. Denson, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Straub, and Dr. Orłowski voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
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OPEN CONSENT AGENDA

OC-17-02-001

APPROVED APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

National Board Applicants:

The following applicants were approved based on successful completion of the examination administered by the National Board of Medical Examiners (NBME) or the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners (NBOME):

NBME:

Wilcox, Ronald D.

NBOME:

N/A

FLEX Examination:

N/A

USMLE Applicants:

The following applicants were licensed based on successful completion of the USMLE examination given in DC or outside of DC:

Took USMLE in DC

N/A

Took USMLE Outside of DC

Baillieu, Robert .L
Huang, Shuyan
Hu, Duosha
Gudeta, Alemeshet
Singh, Rupali
Bokhari, Syed
Santos-Zabala, Maria
Song, David
Schneller, Christopher
Lee, David
Dua, Divya
Gpyal, Harish
Shayanpour, Mahrokh
Cebtron Vinales, Patricia
Moss, Ashley
Baine, Jennifer
Lischalk, Johnathan
Nyquist, Alan S.
Nelson, Kierre
Smedresman, Jordon
Amin, Farooq
Ng, Carrie
Castillo, Roxanne L.
Geng-Ramos, Giuliana P.
Macura, Katarzyria J.
Harman, Elizabeth H.
Alraies, M. Chadi

	<p>Chang, Wilson M. Abramson, Simon G. Dyson, Mwata Dunn, Henry G. Farooqi, Asif</p> <p>Endorsement: N/A</p> <p>Step 3: N/A</p> <p>Took Combo: N/A</p> <p>LMCC: N/A</p> <p>COMLEX: Guzman, Johnny Martin, Patricia Raskin, Scott I. Nwachuku, Adaku</p> <p>SPEX: N/A</p> <p>State Constructed: N/A</p> <p>MD/DO Reinstatement Applicants: Maliro, Tennyson Dryden, Roxanne</p> <p>MD/DO Reactivation Applicants: N/A</p> <p>Acupuncturist (NCCAOM): Lennox, Morris</p> <p>Acupuncturist Reinstatement: N/A</p> <p>Physician Assistants (NCCPA): Fincher, Leslie.C Garcia, Rayjay.E Futuri, Solaiman Dushkin, Holly Lampron, Megan Licari, Damon Kranzburg, Adeline Casella, Carlyle F.H.</p>	
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	<p>PA Reinstatements: N/A</p> <p>Surgical Asst. / NSAA: N/A</p> <p>Surgical Asst. / ABSA: N/A</p> <p>Surgical Asst. / NBSTSA: N/A</p> <p>Surgical Asst. Reinstatements N/A</p> <p>Anesthesiology Assistants: N/A</p> <p>Trauma Technologist: N/A</p> <p>Naturopathic Physician: The following applicant was approved for a naturopathic physician license (NPLEX): N/A</p> <p>Naturopathic Physician Reinstatement: N/A</p> <p>Eminence: N/A</p> <p>Polysomnographers: N/A</p> <p>Polysomnographer Trainee: N/A</p> <p>Alternative Pathway: N/A</p> <p>Licensure Exemption (formerly 'Affiliated With'): Metzger, D. Christopher</p> <p>Medical Training Registration (MTR): Bates, Erica Alston, Michelle Clark, Desraj Bowes, Michael. R Adudeloribr, Susana Carlson, Alyse Martinez, Rogelio</p>	
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End of Open Session Minutes.