

BOARD OF MEDICINE

Open Session Minutes

February 26, 2020
8:45 am – 10:11 am

BOARD 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.”

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BOARD MEETING PARTICIPANTS:

BOARD MEMBERS:	
Andrea Anderson, MD (AA)	
Preetha Iyengar, MD (PI)	ABSENT
William Strudwick, MD (WS)	LEFT EARLY
Thomas Dawson, Esq. (TD)	ABSENT
Jeffrey Smith, MD (JS)	ARRIVED LATE (8:58 AM)
Terrence Straub (TS)	
Archie Rich (AR)	ARRIVED LATE (9:46 AM)
Vikisha Fripp, MD (VF)	
David Wessel, MD (DW)	
Thomas Smith (TS2)	
Joshua Wind, MD (JW)	
Christopher Raczynski, MD (CR)	ABSENT
Joelle Simpson, MD (JS2)	
Konrad Dawson, MD (KD)	
BOARD STAFF:	
Frank Meyers, JD – Executive Director	
Lisa Robinson – Health Licensing Specialist	ABSENT
Mary Harris – Health Licensing Specialist	
Angela Braxton – Health Licensing Specialist	
Charles Annor – Health Licensing Specialist	
Emilia Moran – Investigator	
LEGAL STAFF:	
Suzanne Fenzel, Esq. – Board Attorney Advisor	
Ajay Gohil, Esq. – Board Attorney Advisor	
Erich Chang – Legal Intern	

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

CALL TO ORDER

OS-20-02-01 ALL	<u>INTRODUCTIONS</u> A. BOARD MEMBERS B. BOARD STAFF	
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES, CONSENT AGENDA AND STAFF REPORTS

OS-20-02-02 ALL	<u>BOARD/DEPARTMENT REPORT</u> A. BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT i. Intercollaboration Symposium DC Health is looking to hold a symposium of all health professional boards and their members in August of this year. Specific dates and details will follow in the near future. ii. USMLE Changes The Board Chair discussed the recent changes made to the USMLE, most notably changing the score reporting on Step 1 from a three (3) digit score to pass/fail. iii. Annual Meeting in San Diego The Board will be submitting poster presentations at the annual meeting covering (1) the workforce survey data, and (2) medical school student board visits. iv. CME Audit Update The CME audit is ongoing. Staff is working to send out NSAs and compile cases that need to be brought back to the Board. B. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT i. Biosimilars Legislation The Board of Pharmacy has proposed several edits to the "Access to Biosimilars Amendment Act of 2019", most notably removing the requirement that a pharmacist must inform the prescribing physician if a biosimilar is used. The Department has requested feedback from the Board of Medicine regarding this change.	
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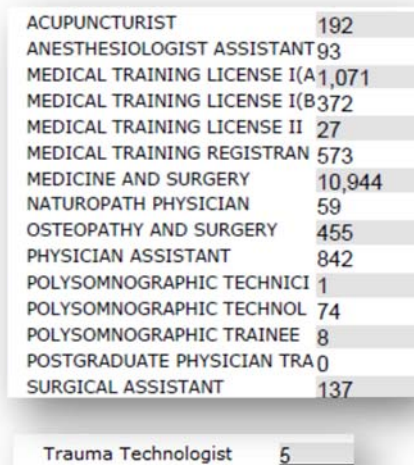
The Board believes the notice requirement should remain.

ii. Certified Professional Midwives Legislation

The Executive Director provided an update on the status of the Certified Professional Midwives (CPM) legislation. Specifically, the Department met with representatives from the Committee on Health to discuss proposed changes, most notably moving the CPM legislation back to the Board of Nursing.

iii. Licensure Census

The Executive Director provided an update on the current licensure census in the District, as follows:



ACUPUNCTURIST	192
ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANT	93
MEDICAL TRAINING LICENSE I(A)	1,071
MEDICAL TRAINING LICENSE I(B)	372
MEDICAL TRAINING LICENSE II	27
MEDICAL TRAINING REGISTRAN	573
MEDICINE AND SURGERY	10,944
NATUROPATH PHYSICIAN	59
OSTEOPATHY AND SURGERY	455
PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT	842
POLYSOMNOGRAPHIC TECHNICI	1
POLYSOMNOGRAPHIC TECHNOL	74
POLYSOMNOGRAPHIC TRAINEE	8
POSTGRADUATE PHYSICIAN TRA	0
SURGICAL ASSISTANT	137
Trauma Technologist	5

C. BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT

i. Regulation Updates

The Board Attorney provided an update on the status of various regulations impacting the Board of Medicine, specifically the Proposed Athletic Trainer regulations.

<p>OS-20-02-03 ALL</p>	<p><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES</u></p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the January 29, 2020 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>Motion: Motion made by Dr. Wind to approve the minutes. Seconded by Dr. Simpson.</p> <p>Dr. Wessel, Dr. Wind, Dr. Fripp, Dr. Strudwick, Dr. Simpson, Dr. Dawson, Dr. Smith, Mr. Smith, Mr. Straub and Dr. Anderson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	<p>FM</p>
<p>OS-20-02-04 ALL</p>	<p><u>OPEN CONSENT AGENDA</u></p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the current February 26, 2020, 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>Motion: Motion made by Dr. Wind to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Dr. Simpson.</p> <p>Dr. Wessel, Dr. Wind, Dr. Fripp, Dr. Strudwick, Dr. Simpson, Dr. Dawson, Dr. Smith, Mr. Smith, Mr. Straub and Dr. Anderson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	<p>FM</p>

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MISC. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

OS-20-02-05 ALL	<p><u>PRESENTATION FROM DC HEALTH</u></p> <p>Board Action: To review the presentation from the DC Department of Health (DC Health) about the various administrations and their respective roles.</p> <p>Background: DC Health plays a three (3) pronged role in public health – to serve as (1) role model, (2) regulator, and (3) convener and collaborator. Each of these roles is guided by the five (5) strategic priorities established by DC Health, including “Close the Chasm between Clinical Medicine and Public Health”. To achieve this goal, DC Health has begun an interprofessional collaboration between the various health professional licensing boards, including presenting to each board on the various duties and responsibilities of each administration within DC Health. The Board of Medicine will be the first board to hear from each of the Senior Deputy Directors of each administration.</p> <p>Motion: The Department’s various Senior Deputy Directors from each administration introduced themselves to the Board and gave a brief description of what their administration does. Due to recent announcements from the CDC regarding the coronavirus, the Director of DC Health instead presented on current issues and efforts addressing the coronavirus in lieu of discussing ongoing interprofessional collaboration efforts. Consumer members provided feedback that more outreach to the public would be helpful.</p> <p>This item was for informational purposes only, so no formal action was taken at this time.</p>	FM
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<p>OS-20-02-06 ALL</p>	<p><u>USMLE SCORE REPORTING</u></p> <p>Board Action: To review the recent notice from FSMB re: changes being made to the USMLE score reporting.</p> <p>Background: The United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE) recently implemented three (3) policy changes to how it conducts and reports the USMLE. Specifically, the following changes are being implemented over the next 12 – 24 months:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Changing score reporting of Step 1 from the current three (3) digit score to pass/fail; 2. Reducing the allowable number of attempts on each Step from six (6) to four (4); 3. Requiring all examinees successfully take and pass Step 1 as a prerequisite for taking Step 2 – Clinical Skills. <p>More information about these policy changes can be found online at https://www.fsmb.org/step-3/step-3-announcements/.</p> <p>Motion: This item was for informational purposes, so no formal action is needed at this time.</p>	<p>FM</p>
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Board Action:

To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).

Background:

Pursuant to DC Official Code § 2-575(b), the Board will move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting to discuss the following:

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 § 2-575(b) (14).

Motion:

Motion made by Mr. Straub to close the meeting. Seconded by Dr. Wind.

Dr. Wessel, Dr. Wind, Dr. Strudwick, Dr. Simpson, Dr. Dawson, Mr. Rich, Dr. Smith, Mr. Smith, Mr. Straub and Dr. Anderson voted in favor of the motion. Dr. Fripp was absent. The motion passed.

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MOTION TO ADJOURN

OS-20-02-08 ALL	<p><u>MOTION TO ADJOURN</u></p> <p>Board Action: To adjourn the meeting.</p> <p>Background: At the end of every meeting, a motion to adjourn must be made in open session to close out the business of the Board.</p> <p>Motion: Motion made by Dr. Smith. Seconded by Dr. Wind.</p> <p>Dr. Wessel, Dr. Wind, Dr. Fripp, Dr. Strudwick, Dr. Simpson, Dr. Dawson, Mr. Rich, Dr. Smith, Mr. Smith and Dr. Anderson voted in favor of the motion. Dr. Strudwick and Mr. Straub were absent. The motion passed.</p>	FM
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This ends the Open Session Minutes.

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