

MINUTES

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THE SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF PODIATRY EXAMINERS

Called Board Meeting of Monday, October 22, 2018

Synergy Business Park, Kingtree Building
110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Bradley Keefer, of Murrell's Inlet, Chairman of the Board, by teleconference called the meeting of the South Carolina Board of Podiatry Examiners to order at 4:03 p.m. on Monday, October 22, 2018, with a quorum present by teleconference. Other members of the Board present by teleconference included Dr. James B. Cahill, of Sumter, Dr. Rahn Ravenell, of Mt. Pleasant, and Dr. Brad Lindstrom, of Simpsonville.

Members of the staff participating or present at various times in the meeting included: Sheridan Spoon, Administrator; Adam Russell, Office of Advice Counsel; Temeka Atkinson, Administrative Assistant; and Rebecca Leach, Office of Communications and Governmental Affairs.

All votes by the Board reported in these minutes were unanimous unless otherwise indicated.

Dr. Keefer announced that the meeting was being held in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act by notice to *The State* newspaper, Associated Press, and notices posted on the bulletin boards located at both the main entrances of the Kingtree Building where the Board office is located.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the agenda for this meeting and the minutes from the June 4, 2018 meeting and Dr. Lindstrom made a motion to approve the agenda and minutes. Dr. Ravenell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Rebecca Leach from the Office of Communications and Governmental Affairs presented the following Legislative update to the Board: Legislation H.5404, which was filed on the last day of the last legislative session. The bill did not make it to a vote, however, the bill will be refiled at the start of the new legislative session in January 2019 and it had language that will affect Podiatrists so she wanted to get their opinion or concerns on the legislation. The Board members requested a copy of the draft that was previously filed and desired it be put on the agenda as a discussion item for the December 3, 2018 meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1-Bill H3622—Dr. Keefer explained that he has been receiving inquiries from podiatrists and hospitals regarding the new legislation, H3622 and the extended scope of practice that it provides regarding the performance of rear foot and ankle (RRA) surgery, and wanted to know what the Board's position would be going forward. After brief discussion, it was determined that there are internal indicators in place administratively when a Podiatrist sends in their RRA credentials, so that the Board will be able to determine who has the required qualifications. The Board will send out an E-Blast to the licensed Podiatrists to advise that they can send in their credentials to the Board so that it can be noted. The law does not specifically require Podiatrists to provide any documentation to the Board. The accredited hospital or ambulatory surgical center makes the determination if the Podiatrist meets the proper qualifications under the extended scope.

2-Joint Podiatric Surgery Advisory Committee and appointments—Dr. Keefer nominated the following two Podiatrists to be appointed to the Joint Podiatry Surgery Advisory Committee: Michelle Butterworth, DPM and Trent Statler, DPM. Dr. Lindstrom made a motion to approve the two nominees. Dr. Ravenell seconded. Motion carried. Mr. Spoon advised that appointment letters would be mailed out to the new appointees. There was discussion regarding the requirements for a Lay person for the committee, and Rebecca Leach confirmed that this is a Governor appointed seat, the person would need to be a non-Podiatrist and interested persons can submit their resume and contact information directly to her so that she could forward it to the Governor's office for consideration. She explained that this seat would not have to go through the Senate confirmation process.

3-Board Examination process-After brief discussion, the Board decided to present ideas on the board examination process and discuss at the December 3, 2018 board meeting. Mr. Spoon advised that he would send the Board members a copy of the Medical Board welcome packet as an example of what the newly licensed MD/DOs receive.

4-CE Broker-Mr. Spoon, explained briefly that LLR has a contract with *CE Broker* and this is a service that could be available to SC Podiatrists to warehouse their CME hours at no charge. Mr. Spoon offered to have the representative from *CE Broker* to call in to the next meeting to answer questions and offer more details of the service, and he provided a link to the CE Broker website so that the Board Members could go online and try out their platform. It was decided to place this item on the agenda for the next board meeting for further discussion.

5-Board Public Member vacancy-The public member seat on the board is vacant. Board members or anyone may recommend someone of good character who must be a non-Podiatrist. Any interested, qualified person can put their interest in writing directly to the Governor's office.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Dr. Ravenell moved to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Dr. Lindstrom. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:31 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for 3:00 p.m. on Monday December 3, 2018.

Respectfully
submitted,

Temeka
Atkinson
Administrative
Assistant