

BOARD OF PODIATRIC MEDICAL EXAMINERS

OPEN SESSION MEETING

MINUTES

May 12, 2016

Room 110

The Open Session Meeting chaired by President Jay LeBow, DPM, opened at 1:04 PM.

Board members attending the meeting were Drs. Zachary Chatter, Craig Friedman, Todd Harrison and Philip Cohen. Consumer members present were Jay Boyar and Barbara Crosby.

Staff attending: Anthony DeFranco, AAG, Eva Schwartz, Executive Director, Sheri Henderson, Administrative Officer, and Elizabeth Amspacher, Licensing Coordinator.

Public at large attending: Mark Rothstein, DPM, Harold Glazier, DPM, Kristen Neville, Sharon Bloom, Danielle Valone.

A. MINUTES:

1. Approval of minutes from April 14, 2016 Meeting

The Board approved the April 14, 2016 minutes as submitted.

B. OLD BUSINESS:

1. HB 437- PDMP-Enrolled Bill

The Board was made aware that there will be a meeting regarding HB 437-Prescription Drug Monitoring Program on June 6, 2016 at 10 a.m. Eva Schwartz, Executive Director, will be working closely with PDMP staff to make sure that podiatrists are successful at acquiring their Controlled Dangerous Substance permits and enrollment in the required prescription drug monitoring program in a timely fashion. The new mandated course for prescribers has already been developed and made available by the PDMP. It was noted that overall the process should work for podiatrists.

2. DHMH Policy 01.04.01: Public Information Act (PIA) Policy

The Board was made aware that the DHMH Policy 01.04.01: Public Information Act (PIA) Policy they were given was no longer accurate and to please disregard.

3. FINAL AAP: COMAR 10.40.02.03 Licensing and Continuing Education Requirements

The Board was made aware that the change in COMAR 10.40.02.03 reducing the CME online credit hour minimum from one (1) to .5. has been approved. It is anticipated that it will be printed in the May 27, 2016 Maryland Register with an effective date of June 6, 2016.

C. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Federation of Regulatory Boards comments on implementing models for compliance with the North Carolina Supreme Court Decision regarding Antitrust Violations (NC Dental)

The Board was given a copy of the Federation of Associations of Regulatory Boards Model for Identifying and Addressing Antitrust Issues for informational purposes. The Board discussed the severity of anti-trust issues and how the States are working to come up with resolutions. Jay LeBow, DPM, Board President, is now the Vice President of the Federation of Podiatric Medical Boards and attended their last meeting which was regarding this issue.

2. National Practitioner Data Bank: Is it reportable?

The Board was given an article regarding how a medical malpractice claim settled for expenses only is not reportable to the National Practitioner Data Bank for informational purposes. The article can be found at: <https://www.npdb.hrsa.gov/enews/May2016Insights.jsp#Article2>.

3. Review for eligibility for FULL License:

a. Brett Dupont, D.P.M.

b. Sana Shamim, D.P.M.

c. Akbar Abyanch, D.P.M.

The above identified licensure candidates were approved unanimously for the issuance of a full Maryland License.

D. OTHER:

1. Board President, Jay LeBow, DPM, inquired whether or not the Board would be interested in meeting with license applicants before issuing a full license. After discussion, the Board decided that although it would be interested in doing so, it is not feasible at this time.

2. It was noted that the Federation of Podiatric Medical Boards now submits electronically the PMLexis Examination Scores to the Board within four (4) hours of a request. The Board has renewed their membership with the Federation for another three (3) years.

With no further business, the Meeting concluded at 1:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay H. Boyar, Secretary/Treasurer

