



Podiatric Medical Board
Business Meeting Minutes

Department of Health
Kent, Washington
April 3, 2014

Board Members: Suzanne Wilson, DPM, Chair
Bert Swift, Public Member
Randy Anderson, DPM
Donald Orminski, DPM

Staff Present: Blake Maresh, Executive Director
Brett Cain, Program Manager
Cece Zenker, Program Support
Jackie Rabourn, Credentialing Supervisor
Richard McCartan, Assistant Attorney General, Advisor

Guests Present: Susan Scanlan, DPM, Executive Director, Washington State
Podiatric Medical Association
Martin Ziontz, JD, Counsel, Washington State Podiatric Medical
Association
Sandra Manwiller, Association of Surgical Technologists
Janice Olmsted, Association of Surgical Technologists

OPEN SESSION:

1. CALL TO ORDER

The business meeting of the Washington State Podiatric Medical Board (board) was called to order by Dr. Suzanne Wilson, DPM, Chair, at 9:05 a.m. on April 3, 2014.

1.1 Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved after adding to item 8.3 – correspondence.

1.2 Introduction of board, staff, guests and audience.

The board, staff, and guests present each gave a brief introduction.

1.3 - 1.6 Approval of January 9, 2014 business meeting minutes, January 16, 2014 conference call minutes, February 13, 2014 conference call minutes, and March 13, 2014 conference call minutes.

The January 9, 2014 business meeting minutes, January 16, 2014 conference call minutes, February 13, 2014 conference call minutes, and March 13, 2014 conference call minutes were approved as presented.

2. 2014 LEGISLATIVE WRAP UP DISCUSSION

- 2.1** EHB 2351 – Temporary practice permits for out of state health care professionals
- 2.2** SSB 6283 – Medical assistant-phlebotomist scope of practice

The board was updated with two pieces of legislation that passed the 2014 session that may be of interest. This discussion was brief and informational. No board action was necessary.

3. BOARD MEMBER RECRUITMENT UPDATE

Mr. Cain notified the board that two applications were received following the last recruitment to fill the board's vacant position. He indicated he would forward the applications to the Governor's Office and anticipated that the position would be filled by the next business meeting in July. This discussion was brief and informational. No board action was necessary.

4. 2015 AGENCY REQUEST LEGISLATION

Mr. Maresh asked the board if there were any issues that the board would like to present to the Department of Health (department) to take to the legislature in 2015. The board indicated that there were no issues they would like to be presented for 2015 agency request legislation.

- Dr. Susan Scanlan, Executive Director of the Washington State Podiatric Medical Association (WSPMA), suggested that the board consider the current residency program length requirements for podiatric physicians for possible future amendment.
- The board had a brief discussion regarding the residency length requirements set in statute and agreed that they would discuss this issue further and possibly present it for agency request legislation in 2016.
- Mr. Cain indicated that he would gather information from other states and bring it to the July meeting.

5. RULES WORKSHOP CHAPTER 246-922 WAC

- 5.1** Brief Power Point presentation

Mr. Cain gave a brief Power Point presentation regarding the two rulemaking packages related to the approved schools of podiatric medicine, examinations, acts that may be delegated to an unlicensed person, and podiatric continuing education requirements.

5.2 Public comment/board discussion

A discussion followed the Power Point where audience members were invited to participate.

- Martin Ziontz, counsel for WSPMA, commented that he recommend the board proceed with repealing WAC 246-922-100 in light of the medical assistant statute that took effect July 1, 2013. The board briefly discussed the issue and agreed to move forward with repealing this section.
- The board agreed to move forward with amending the language in WAC 246-922-030 to read “For the purpose of the laws relating to podiatric medicine, the board approves the schools recognized by the American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine.”
- The board agreed to move forward with amending the language in WAC 246-922-040 to read “In order to be licensed to practice podiatric medicine and surgery in the state of Washington, all applicants must successfully pass all parts of the American Podiatric Medical Licensing Examination administered through the National Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners.”
- The board discussed amending the current continuing medical education (CME) requirements for podiatric physicians licensed in Washington. The board agreed that the CME requirements for podiatric physicians should be equivalent to other physicians. The board agreed that the required CME hours for podiatric physicians should be changed from 25 hours a year to 50 hours a year. The board asked for this agenda item to be discussed at the July meeting and asked Mr. Cain to provide more information regarding the required hours for other prescribing professions for comparison and discussion. The board will hold a work session at the July meeting to amend the current CME requirements.
- A motion was presented by Dr. Wilson to change the July meeting from a conference call to a live meeting so that the CME topic could be discussed further. The motion was seconded by Dr. Anderson and was approved unanimously. Mr. Cain indicated that he would work with Ms. Zenker to find a place to hold the meeting and would contact the board with the location.
- Staff explained that the two separate rulemaking CR-101 packages could be combined into one package at the next stage (CR-102) of rule development.

6. 2013 -2015 BUSINESS PLAN

The board reviewed their business plan.

- The board agreed to remove Objective B. regarding creating a policy or WAC regarding telemedicine as national and/or state legislation will likely address this in the near future.
- The board agreed to add the amending current CME requirements under the Objectives section.

- The board agreed to add a discussion of creating re-entry to practice requirements in WAC under the Objectives section.

7. CASE TRACKING DISCUSSION

The board reviewed and discussed open disciplinary cases.

- The board indicated that they would like to know as far in advance as possible when a hearing is scheduled and would like to be consulted when hearings are being scheduled.
- Mr. Cain indicated that he would contact the hearings scheduler and would invite her to attend the July meeting for further discussion.

8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/PROGRAM MANAGER REPORT

8.1 Budget update

Mr. Cain presented the budget report. There were no concerns with the board's budget.

8.2 Credential counts

Mr. Cain provided the board with the number of Washington State licensed podiatric physicians.

- Currently, there are 318 podiatric physicians who hold Washington State licenses and 14 podiatric physicians who hold limited licenses.
- There were no questions or concerns regarding the number of licensees.

8.3 Request for lists and labels – MDX Medical

Dr. Orminski motioned to deny the request based on the assessment that MDX Medical does not meet the definition of a professional or educational organization. Dr. Anderson seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

9. SETTLEMENT PRESENTATIONS

There were no settlement presentations.

CLOSED SESSION:

10. STIPULATION TO INFORMAL DISPOSITION PRESENTATIONS

There were no stipulations to informal disposition (STID) presented.

11. NEW REPORTS FOR AUTHORIZATION OR CLOSURE

There were no new reports to present.

12. DISCIPLINARY CASE REVIEWS

There were no disciplinary case reviews to present.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The board meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m. by Suzanne Wilson, DPM, Chair.

Next Meeting: July 17, 2014
Location yet to be determined

Prepared by:

Approved by:

Brett Cain, Program Manager

Suzanne Wilson, DPM, Chair

Date

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