



Washington State Department of Health
Board of Naturopathy
Meeting Minutes
February 27, 2015

Location: This meeting took place at the following locations utilizing videoconferencing.

Primary Meeting Site

Department of Health
Creekside Two at CenterPoint, Suite 310, Room 307
20425 72nd Avenue South
Kent, WA 98032

Secondary Meeting Site

Department of Health
16201 E Indiana Ave Room 112
Spokane Valley, WA 99216

BOARD MEMBERS

Amira Ahdut, ND, LAc
Chad Aschtgen, ND, Chair
Dean Neary, ND
Elizabeth Prater, ND
Michael Whitney, ND, DC
Deborah Wright, Public Member, Vice Chair

STAFF PRESENT:

Susan Gragg, Program Manager
Chris Humberson, Executive Director
Debra Defreyn, Assistant Attorney General
Irina Tiginyanu, Health Services Consultant
Deborah Johnson, Policy Analyst
Ericka Brown, Customer Service Supervisor
Hyon Yi, Customer Service Supervisor

OTHERS PRESENT:

Robert May, ND, Executive Director, WANP
Adam Geiger, ND, WANP
Angela Ross, ND
Leslie Suggett

OPEN SESSION

1. Call to Order/Introductions

Chair Chad Aschtgen, ND, called the meeting of the Washington State Board of Naturopathy (board) to order at 8:44 a.m. on February 27, 2015. All those in attendance introduced themselves.

2. Consent Agenda

The board approved the following by a single action:

- 2.1. Approval of February 27, 2015 meeting agenda
- 2.2. Approval of November 14, 2014 meeting minutes
- 2.3. Approval of the December 5, 2014 case review, investigation authorization meeting minutes
- 2.4. Approval of the December 19, 2014 case review, investigation authorization meeting minutes
- 2.5. Approval of the January 9, 2014 case review, investigation authorization meeting minutes
- 2.6. Approval of the February 6, 2014 case review, investigation authorization meeting minutes
- 2.7. Approval of the February 20, 2014 case review, investigation authorization meeting minutes

3. Discuss Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

There were no items removed from the Consent agenda.

4. Program Reports

4.1. Program Reports – Susan Gragg

Budget – Ms. Gragg gave a brief overview of the board's budget.

Statistical Reports – Ms. Gragg provided the credential count report (1,215 active licensees).

Active Case Report – Ms. Gragg shared the current active case report; there are currently 58 open complaint cases.

4.2. Assistant Attorney General (AAG) Report – Debra Defreyn, AAG Adviser

There was no AAG Adviser report.

5. Rule Adoption Hearing on Acceptable Examinations

The Board held a rule adoption hearing with regard to revisions to rules governing acceptable examinations for licensure as naturopathic physicians.

MOTION: The Chair entertained a motion to formally adopt the proposed rule language as published. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

6. Old Business

6.1. WANP Rule petition request to reconcile WAC 246-836-220 with RCW 18.36A.020(8)

The board discussed the Washington Association of Naturopathic Physicians (WANP) rule petition regarding routes of administration. In addition, the board reviewed and discussed the materials developed by Debra Defreyn, AAG. After much discussion regarding statutory language and scope of practice, the WANP formally withdrew their petition.

6.2. Rule Project Update

6.2.1. Ms. Gragg provided the board with a status update on the following rule projects:

- Suicide prevention as continuing education – on hold pending House Bill 1424
- Sexual misconduct definition – public workshops scheduled in Tumwater
- Non-surgical cosmetic procedures – given the time lapse since this project was started, an additional workshop will be scheduled
- Continuing education – this project will be restarted once the suicide prevention rules have been adopted

7. New Business

7.1. Report on 2015 Legislative Session

The board reviewed the following list of legislative bills that may impact or be of interest to the naturopathic physician profession:

- House Bill 1020 – Medical Use of Cannabis
- House Bill 1042 – Dry Needling Outside PT Scope
- House Bill 1045 – EAMP Advisory Committee (companion = Senate Bill 5162)
- House Bill 1046 – EAMP Point Injection Therapy (companion = Senate Bill 5161)
- House Bill 1103 – PMP Access for Labs (companion = Senate Bill 5027)
- House Bill 1135 – Remediation Plans; DOH request (companion = Senate Bill 5754)
- House Bill 1173 – Non-compete Protection
- House Bill 1259 – ARNPs Signing (companion = Senate Bill 5682)
- House Bill 1275 – Increasing Number of Members on the Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery (companion = Senate Bill 5558)
- House Bill 1339 – DOH Secretary Interceding on Scopes of Practice Decisions

- House Bill 1340 – Pilot Program for New Skills
- House Bill 1347 – Lyme Disease (companion = Senate Bill 5448)
- House Bill 1403 – Telemedicine (companion = Senate Bill 5175)
- House Bill 1412 – Recreational Marijuana Facilities
- House Bill 1413 – Recreational Marijuana Businesses
- House Bill 1414 – Marijuana Producers and Tax Exemptions
- House Bill 1418 – Marijuana Illegal Production
- House Bill 1424 – Suicide Prevention
- House Bill 1461 – Marijuana Act of 2015
- House Bill 1528 – Epinephrine Autoinjectors (companion = Senate Bill 5291)
- House Bill 1553 – Restoration of Opportunity
- House Bill 1637 – PMP Access for Tribal Law Enforcement Officers and/or Prosecutors (companion = Senate Bill 5290)
- House Bill 1671 – Opioid Antagonists
- House Bill 1698 – Medical Marijuana
- House Bill 1753 – Cannabis Health and Beauty (companion = Senate Bill 5493)
- House Bill 1766 – Medical Marijuana
- House Bill 1969 – PTSD and Traumatic Brain Injury
- House Bill 2058 – Medical Cannabis
- House Bill 2080 – Fingerprint Background Checks (companion = Senate Bill 5720)
- House Bill 2132 – Regarding Naloxone
- House Bill 2136 – Comprehensive Marijuana Market Reforms
- House Bill 2162 – Concerning Marijuana
- Senate Bill 5002 – Marijuana Traffic Infractions
- Senate Bill 5027 – PMP Access for Labs (companion = House Bill 1103)
- Senate Bill 5052 – Cannabis Patient Protection Act
- Senate Bill 5066 – Forensic Testing by Law Enforcement
- Senate Bill 5151 – Continuing Education on Cultural Competency
- Senate Bill 5161 – EAMP Point Injection Therapy (companion = House Bill 1046)
- Senate Bill 5162 – EAMP Advisory Committee (companion = House Bill 1045)
- Senate Bill 5175 – Telemedicine (companion = House Bill 1403)
- Senate Bill 5290 – PMP Access for Tribal Law Enforcement Officers and/or Prosecutors (companion = House Bill 1637)
- Senate Bill 5291 – Epinephrine Autoinjectors (companion = House Bill 1528)
- Senate Bill 5379 – Medical Marijuana for PTSD
- Senate Bill 5417 – Local Government Marijuana Policies
- Senate Bill 5448 – Lyme Disease (companion = House Bill 1347)
- Senate Bill 5493 – Cannabis Health and Beauty (companion = House Bill 1753)
- Senate Bill 5519 – Marijuana Reform
- Senate Bill 5558 – Increasing Number of Members on the Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery (companion = House Bill 1275)
- Senate Bill 5682 – ARNPs Signing (companion = House Bill 1259)
- Senate Bill 5720 – Fingerprint Background Checks (companion = House Bill 2080)
- Senate Bill 5754 – Remediation Plans; DOH request (companion = House Bill 1135)
- Senate Bill 5815 – Prescriptive Authority for Naturopathic Physicians
- Senate Bill 5986 – Board of Telemedicine
- Senate Bill 6036 – Requiring Certain Health Professions to Provide Primary Practice Location on License Renewal

8. Open Forum/Future Agenda Items

None.

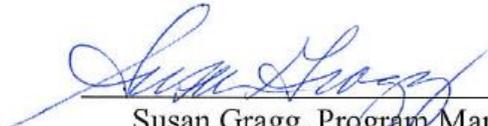
9. Presentations

There were no Agreed Orders for presentation.

10. Adjournment

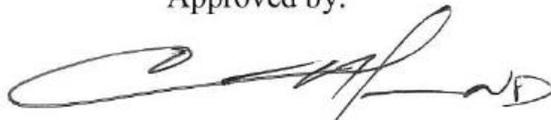
The open public session of the meeting adjourned at 11:27 am.

Submitted by:



Susan Gragg, Program Manager
Naturopathy Program

Approved by:



Chad Aschtgen, ND, Chair
Board of Naturopathy