

STATE OF MARYLAND

BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

4201 PATTERSON AVENUE, BALTIMORE, MD 21215

OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING

November 09, 2023 – 10:00 a.m. to 10:59 a.m.

VIRTUAL

Board Members Present

Sharon Oliver, MBA, Executive Director Clarine L. Henderson, Investigator Supervisor Tony DeFranco, AAG, Board Counsel T. Nicole Cullings, Investigator Pamela Alston, Admin. Specialist Mae Mgbaja, Licensing Coordinator

Non-Members Present

Paul Abosh, D.C., President
Ella Pantazis, D.C., Vice President
Enid Cruise, D.C. Secretary/Treasurer
Joshua Levin, D.C. Board Member
Daniel Kraus, D.C. Board Member
Nelson Miranda, B.S., M.S. Consumer Member
Karen Munter, R.N., B.S., Board Member

MINUTES

On November 09, 2023, the Maryland State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (the "Board"), met virtually for the Open Session.

Call to Order, Roll Call – Dr. Paul Abosh, President, called the Open Session of the Chiropractic Board to order at 10:04 a.m. Roll was called and all Board Members were present.

The Amended Open Session Agenda was approved – Motion to approve the Amended Open Session Agenda by Karen Munter; 2nd by Dr. Pantazis. The motion passed. Board Vote: 7/0/0.

Review/Approval of Open Session Minutes – September 14, 2023 – Motion to approve the Open Session Minutes by Dr. Cruise; 2nd by Dr. Levin. The motion passed. Board Vote: 7/0/0.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – (*Dr. Abosh*) – Dr. Abosh expressed his gratitude to the Board Members and Staff for their hard work.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

FCLB District Meeting (*Dr. Abosh*) – Dr. Abosh and Dr. Pantazis attended the FCLB District III meeting in Boston, MA on September 21-24, 2023. Dr. Abosh discussed highlights of the conference to include changes to the NBCE Examination process and round table discussions on record keeping, lobbying, legislature, delegation of authority, pathways to licensure and scope of practice challenges.

^{*}See attached list of call-in participants



NEW BUSINESS

"Mental Health First Aid" (Dr. Pantazis)

Dr. Pantazis presented on, "Mental Health First Aid," a training program offered by the National Council of Wellbeing. Board discussion. The matter was referred to the CEU Committee.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – (Sharon Oliver, MBA)

Fiscal Year 2023 Annual Report (Informational Only) – Sharon Oliver reviewed highlights of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Annual Report. The report details information on Board Member activities, training for Board Members and Staff, the fiscal position of the Board, Board operations, legislation, licensing statistics, case management, and goals for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024. The report will be posted on the Board's website.

The Board started FY 2023 with \$518,417.24, a carryover balance from FY 2022. Revenue for FY 2023 totaled \$246,510.00. Total funds available to support Board operations during FY 2023 were \$764,927.24. Appropriations (budgeted expenses) for FY 2023 were \$517,664.00. Expenditures through June 30, 2023, totaled \$475,516.23 resulting in a surplus of approximately \$43,147.77. The FY 2023 carryover balance is \$290,405.00.

Fiscal Year 2024 First Quarter Financial Reports – The total revenue collected-to-date was \$709,229.00, of which \$632,800.00 were chiropractic renewal fees. The Fund Balance is \$999,634.01 Appropriations to fund the Board's operations in FY 2024 is \$642,618.00. Expenditures through the first quarter of the fiscal year totaled \$140,761.00, resulting in a Fund Balance of \$501,856.11 remaining to support Board operations through June 30, 2024.

ALER Annual Hold – The hold dates are December 11, 2023, through February 12, 2024. During these dates only emergency regulations may be submitted. The Board will continue to work on potential new regulations and prepare for the 2024 legislative session.

Beta Testing of Online JP Examination – David Mark has compiled the test banks for the JP Examination for the CA's and DC's. The Board will begin Beta testing within the next week.

Telehealth Regulations 10.43.17, effective September 18, 2023 – The Telehealth Regulations became effective September 18, 2023. The Regulations are posted on the Board's website.

Interstate Telehealth Expansion Study Report (Informational Only)

Sharon Oliver attended information sessions with the Maryland Healthcare Commission. The Healthcare Commission studied ways to expand telehealth services and released a report of their findings.

2024 Board Vacancies – Drs. Paul Abosh and Ella Pantazis are eligible for reappointment. There are two consumer members positions open. Interested applicants are to submit their application via the Governor's Appointment Website.



Inappropriate Calls to the Board – The Board Members were informed of a number of unprofessional, abusive and inappropriate calls from licensees to Board Staff. The Board reiterated that it is never appropriate to be disrespectful to or use choice language with Board Staff. Licensees/registrants may be subject to disciplinary actions by the Board.

Office Coverage – The Board reminded licensee that it is their responsibility to thoroughly vet individuals that are being considered for office coverage, and ensure the individual has an active license to practice in the State of Maryland.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CE Committee Report/Recommendations – (*Dr. Pantazis*)

"Medicupping" submitted by Eduardo Souza for 16 CEU credits. The Board voted to accept the Committee's recommendation to approve this course.

Legislative / Regulations Committee – (Dr. Abosh)

10.43.01.01-10.43.01.07 Continuing Education Requirements – The Board voted to accept the Committee's recommendation to approve the final draft of the 10.43.01.07 Continuing Education Requirements.

Licensing Committee (*Dr. Pantazis*) – No report.

Ad Hoc Strategic Planning Committee – (Dr. Levin)

The Ad Hoc Strategic Planning Committee has drafted a working document which includes work on the following priority goals: (1) Sunset (Date: 2032), (2) Board Composition, and (3) Legislative/Regulatory (streamline CA Program).

Ratification of New Licensees and Registrants - September & October 2023

The Board voted to accept the following Licensees and Registrants. Motion by Dr. Levin; 2nd by Karen Munter to approve the following Chiropractors. The motion passed; Board Vote: 7/0/0.

Chiropractors: September & October 2023

LICENSE NO.	Name	ORIGINAL LICENSE DATE	
S04184	JONES, BREON D.	09/08/2023	
S04185	SGROI, DOMINIC S.	09/11/2023	
S04186	BREWSTER, PIPER	09/12/2023	
	JASMINE		
S04187	HOLT, JARED B.	09/13/2023	
S04188	ELLIS, MARK J.	09/18/2023	



04189	PATEL, SHIVANI K.	09/20/2023		
S04190	BILLAUER, JEFFREY J.	09/29/2023		
S04191	CIANCI, JULIA M.	09/29/2023		
04192	GOLINSKY, PHILLIP	HILLIP 10/02/2023		
04193	GARRETT, LANISHA	10/24/2023		
04194	KIM, JUNG KWAN	10/30/2023		
04195	HARPER, SHERDANE	10/30/2023		
S04196	MATTINGLY, KEVIN F.	10/30/2023		

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CHIROPRACTIC ASSISTANTS: September & October 2023

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REGISTRATION No.	Name	ORIGINAL LICENSE DATE			
RC2701	BRAUN, JACK JB.	09/08/2023			
RC2703	HARKER-KRESHALK, BETHANY D.	09/08/2023			
RC2702	HUBBARD-PELLETIER, DANIELLE DA.	09/08/2023			
RC2704	KIGHT, KRISTEN N.	09/11/2023			
RC2705	KIGHT, VICKI L.	09/11/2023			
RC2706	VAN DUUREN, KIM	09/12/2023			
RC2707	KNOX, LAUREN, A.	09/13/2023			
RC2708	WAIBEL, SAMANTHA	09/13/2023			
RC2709	ARIAS, YOMARA	09/18/2023			
RC2710	BARTLINSKI, JACQUELINE M.	09/18/2023			
RC2711	GUILLAUME, MYRIAM M.	09/18/2023			
RC2712	SOK, SREYLEAK	09/18/2023			
RC2713	VOGEL, RACHEL	09/18/2023			
RC2714	MEJIA, JENNIFER I.	09/20/2023			
RC2715	GUARDADO AGUILAR, ANA C.	09/22/2023			
RC2716	ELLISTON, MACALAH H.	09/27/2023			
RC2717	LEEPA, ELAINA D.	09/27/2023			
RC2718	STEPHENSON, KATELYN E.	09/27/2023			
RC2719	RUSSELL, AUTUMN N.	09/29/2023			
RC2721	HATCHER, TAMIKA L.	10/02/2023			
RC2722	KUNIKEN, CARL D.	10/02/2023			
RC2723	MATSON, RILEIGH L.	10/02/2023			
RC2720	TROGDON, THAI S.	10/02/2023			



RC2724	WINTERS, DESTANY	10/02/2023
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CURRENT BOARD DATA as of 11/01/2023

Board	STATUS CODES	TOTAL	CURRENT REPORTING	Net Change
Chiropractor	Active	944	918	-26
Chiropractor	Inactive	77	53	23
Chiropractic Assistant	Active	538	564	+26
Chiropractic Assistant	Inactive	37	37	-

MISCELLANEOUS

Next Meeting Date – January 11, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. (Hybrid).

Karen Munter moved to adjourn the Open Session Meeting at 10:59 a.m.; 2nd by Dr. Levin. The motion passed. Board Vote: 7/0/0.

Respectfully Submitted,
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Enid Cruise, D.C.

Secretary/Treasurer



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VIRTUAL PARTICIPANTS

- 1. Kimberly Link, Senior Advisor to Secretary
- 2. Zakiyyah Holmes, Office of the Secretary, Boards and Commissions
- 3. Lillian Reese, Legislative Liaison
- 4. Marc Gulitz, D.C.
- 5. Nicholas Grande, D.C.
- 6. Keith Scott, D.C.