



STATE OF MARYLAND
BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS
4201 PATTERSON AVENUE, BALTIMORE, MD 21215

OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING
March 14, 2024 – 10:00 a.m. to 10:54 a.m.

VIRTUAL

Board 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

Non-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
Nate Mitchell, IT Programmer Analyst

*See attached list of call-in participants

MINUTES

On March 14, 2024, 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 to order at 10:00 a.m. Roll was called and all Board Members were present.

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

Review/Approval of Open Session Minutes – January 11, 2024 – Motion to approve the Open Session minutes by Dr. Levin; 2nd by Dr. Cruise. The motion passed. Board Vote: 7/0/0.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT – (*Dr. Abosh*)

NBCE Part II & PHT Test Development Committees – Dr. Abosh recently attended the NBCE Part II and PHT Test Development Committee in Greeley, CO. The Committee worked on creating case test scenarios and plans to beta test in 2025.

BUSINESS MATTERS FOR REVIEW

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Preceptor Sponsor Applications and Site Inspection Reports for approval

➤ **Dr. Deborah Morrone, 5301 Buckeystown Pike, Suite 210, Frederick, MD 21704** – (*Dr.*



Levin). Dr. Morrone's office was found in acceptable condition for preceptorship and externship programs. Motion to approve 5301 Buckeystown Pike, Suite 210, Frederick, MD 21704 Dr. Pantazis; 2nd by Dr. Cruise. The motion passed. Board Vote: 7/0/0.

- **Dr. John Terrier, 10630 Little Patuxent Parkway, Suite 329, Columbia, MD 21401 – (Dr. Abosh).** Dr. Terrier's office was found in acceptable condition for preceptorship and externship programs. Motion to approve 10630 Little Patuxent Parkway, Suite 329, Columbia, MD 21401 by Dr. Pantazis; 2nd by Dr. Levin. The motion passed. Board Vote: 7/0/0.
- **Dr. Gregory Nash, 331 Oak Manor Dr., Suite 101, Glenn Burnie, MD 21061 – (Dr. Cruise).** Dr. Nash's office was found in acceptable condition for preceptorship and externship programs. Motion to approve 331 Oak Manor Dr., Suite 101, Glenn Burnie, MD 21061 Dr. Pantazis; 2nd by Dr. Levin. The motion passed. Board Vote: 7/0/0.

Executive Director's Report – (Sharon J. Oliver, MBA)

YTD Financial Position –The total allocated expenditures for fiscal year 2024 is \$642,618.00. The total year-to-date expenses is \$403,583,64. The remaining fund balance for expenses through June 30, 2024, is \$239,034.36.

2024 Budget Analysis on Boards and Commissions – The 2024 Budget Analysis Report on Boards and Commissions has been released. The report includes performance metrics of the boards related to investigation completion, issuance of initial licenses/registrations, and renewal of licenses/registrations. It also detailed the fiscal position of the boards.

2024 Board Member Appointments – The submitted names are currently under review by the appointing authority. The new consumer members will be announced at the July Board Meeting. Appreciation is expressed for the service of Karen Munter and Nelson Miranda as consumer board members.

Staffing Update – A candidate of choice for the Licensing Unit Manager position has been identified and the name has been submitted to human resources for vetting.

2023 Financial Disclosure Filing Due April 30, 2024 – Board Members were reminded to complete their 2023 Financial Disclosures by April 30, 2024.

Beta Testing Online JP Examination – The Board is beta testing the online JP Examination and will use existing candidates for licensure to test the system.

Committee Reports

CE Committee Report/Recommendations – (Dr. Cruise)

- **"Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers and Professional Rescuers,"** submitted by the Health and Safety Institute for **5 CEU hours**. The Board voted to approve the



recommendation of the Committee.

- **“Cupping as Manual Therapy”** submitted by Eduardo Souza, LMT for **8 CEU hours**. The Board voted to approve the recommendation of the Committee.
- **“Grand Rounds for Myofascial Trigger Point Dry Needling a Diagnostic and Treatment Modality for The Manual Medicine Practice,”** submitted by David B. Fishkin, D.C. M.P.H., Dry Needling Institute, LLC., for **5 CEU hours**. The Board voted to approve the recommendation of the Committee.
- **“Myofascial Trigger Point Dry Needling a Diagnostic and Treatment Modality for The Manual Medicine Practice,”** submitted by David B. Fishkin, D.C. M.P.H. Dry Needling Institute, LLC, for **20 CEU hours**. The Board voted to approve the recommendation of the Committee.
- **“Scapula Dynamics in Shoulder Conditions, Injuries, and Syndromes,”** submitted by Matthew Weik, D.C., for **12 CEU hours**. The Board voted to approve the recommendation of the Committee.

Legislative /Regulations Committee – (Dr. Abosh & Lillian Reese)

The Board ratified the recommendation of the Legislative Committee on legislative bills:

- HB0581/SB0472 State Government – Permits, Licenses and Certification-Processing – **No position.**
- HB0642 Apprenticeships in Licensed Occupations Act of 2024 – **Support with Amendment. Withdrawn by sponsor.**
- HB0809 Members of Boards, Committees, Commissions, Task Forces, or Workgroups- Removal or Suspension – **No position.**
- HB1327 Maryland Department of Health-Body Altering Aesthetics Advisory Committee – **No position.**
- SB1007 State Government – Executive Appointments – **No position.**
- SB1072 Occupational and Professional Licensing – Military Training and Military Spouse – **No position.**

Positions that the Board can take on a bill – Lillian Reese explained the meaning of the bill positions:

- **No position** – This is the most common position and it’s neutral. No paper needed.
- **Support** – This can be done in a letter (no in-person testimony necessary).
- Support with suggested amendments (SWA).
- **Oppose** – This can include either: a letter of opposition (no in-person testimony necessary) or submission of an opposition position paper, whereby in-person (virtual) testimony would be needed.
- **Provide a letter of information** – (which is just making the committee aware of certain pertinent facts). This is usually a neutral position.

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

Nomination Committee – (Ms. Munter & Ms. Oliver)



- Slate of Officers – Sharon Oliver announced the nominations for the slate of officers:
President: Dr. Abosh, **Vice-President:** Dr. Pantazis and Dr. Levin, and
Secretary/Treasurer: Drs. Cruise, Levin, and Pantazis. Voting will take place at the May Hybrid Board Meeting.

Licensing Unit Report

CURRENT BOARD DATA as of 03/06/2024

BOARD	STATUS CODES	PREVIOUS REPORTING	CURRENT REPORTING	NET CHANGE
Chiropractor	Active	927	934	+7
Chiropractor	Inactive	53	53	-
Chiropractic Assistant	Active	601	623	22
Chiropractic Assistant	Inactive	37	40	+3



Ratification of New Licensees and Registrants - January & February 2024 – The Board voted to ratify the new Chiropractors.

CHIROPRACTORS: January & February 2024

LICENSE NO.	NAME	ORIGINAL LICENSE DATE
04207	TALTON, COLE B.	01/11/2024
04208	HARCLERODE, RANDY S.	02/16/2024
S04209	MIRANDA, JEHRYCO V.	02/16/2024
S04210	TIMKO, REBECCA R.	02/16/2024
04211	TESS-WANAT, IAN	02/16/2024
S04212	RUTH, ALEXANDER D.	02/16/2024
S04213	JULIEN, MONIQUE K.R	02/16/2024

Total 7

- **CHIROPRACTIC ASSISTANTS: January & February 2024**– The Board voted to ratify the new Chiropractor Assistants.

REGISTRATION NO.	NAME	ORIGINAL LICENSE DATE
RC2762	NETTLES, CHRISTIANNA L.	01/11/2024
RC2763	CORTEZ-ZAVALA, AISLINN L.	02/08/2024
RC2764	THOMAS, KARIMAH	02/12/2024
RC2765	AMODEI, MARIA	02/14/2024



RC2766	HECK, NICOLE	02/14/2024
RC2767	SKOCZELAK, LAURA LEE	02/14/2024
RC2768	SMOTHERS-WHITE, XAVIER R.	02/14/2024
RC2769	BEEMAN, MARIAH N.	02/16/2024
RC2770	CANUBAS, LORENZ D.	02/16/2024
RC2771	PERRY, COLLIN J.	02/16/2024
RC2772	BENITEZ FERNANDEZ, SOLEDAD	02/20/2024
RC2773	COSMA, SONIA M.	02/20/2024
RC2774	PROKOP, MAGGIE	02/20/2024
RC2775	RIVERA, ASHLEY N.	02/20/2024
RC2776	KUNDHI, GAGANDEEP	02/20/2024
RC2777	LEAVITT, SHARON D.	02/20/2024
RC2778	MAXWELL, III, JOHN B.	02/20/2024
RC2779	ORTEZ-REYES, KATHERIN	02/20/2024
RC2780	ROBESON, JULIA L.	02/20/2024
RC2781	BLACK-HOWELL, SONJA B.	02/21/2024
RC2782	HUNTER, MEGAN C.	02/21/2024
RC2783	ARMBRUSTER, IZABELLA A.	02/26/2024
RC2784	CUNNINGHAM, AIESHA S.	02/26/2024
RC2785	GONZALEZ, XIOMARA A.	02/26/2024

Total 24

Miscellaneous

Next Meeting date – **May 9, 2024**, at 10:00 a.m. **(Hybrid)**

Dr. Pantazis moved to adjourn the Open Session Meeting at 10:54 a.m., 2nd by Dr. Cruise. The motion passed. Board Vote: 7/0/0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Enid Cruise, D.C.
Secretary/Treasurer



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1. Zakiyyah Holmes, Office of the Secretary, Boards and Commissions
2. Kimberly Link, Advisor to the Secretary
3. Lillian Reese, Legislative Liaison
4. Keith Scott, D.C.