



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

OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING
July 13, 2023 – 10:01 a.m. to 10:40 a.m.

HYBRID – ROOM 110

Board Members Present

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

Non-Members Present

Sharon J. Oliver, MBA, Executive Director
Christopher Hawkins, Sr., Licensing Unit Manager
Tony DeFranco, AAG, Board Counsel
T. Nicole Cullings, Investigator
Pamela Alston, Admin. Specialist
Mae Mgbaja, Licensing Coordinator
Brandy Gray, AAG, Board Counsel

*See attached list of call-in participants

MINUTES

On July 13, 2023, the Maryland State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (the “Board”), met in person, in room 110 for the Open Session.

Call to Order, Roll Call – Dr. Paul Abosh, President, called the Open Session to order at 10:01 a.m. Roll was called & all Board Members were present. Karen Munter, R.N., B.S., Board Member, participated virtually.

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

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

Review/Approval of Open Session Minutes – May 11, 2023 – 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*)

Welcome New Board Member, Daniel Kraus, D.C. – Dr. Abosh introduced Dr. Daniel Kraus to the Board. Dr. Abosh extended a warm welcome to the Board and stated his goals as the new Board President.

PRESENTATION TO GREGORY LEWIS, D.C.

Dr. Lewis was presented with a citation from Governor Moore, a citation from the Secretary of the Department of Health and a service award for his 9-year tenure on the Board. Thank you for your service, Dr. Lewis!

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – *(Sharon Oliver, MBA)*

Preceptor Sponsor Applications and Site Inspection Reports for Approval:

Dr. Daniel Kraus recused at 10:16 a.m.

Dr. Levy Riley III, D.C., 9658 Baltimore Ave., Suite 420, College Park, MD 20740 – *(Dr. Pantazis)* – The office was found to be in acceptable condition for externs and preceptor students. Board Vote: 7/0/0.

Dr. Daniel Kraus returned at 10:18 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Strategic Planning Session – Ad Hoc Committee Volunteers

Sharon Oliver announced the need to create a strategic plan for the Chiropractic Board. An Ad-Hoc Committee will be formed to begin work on the plan. Drs. Levin, Kraus and Abosh volunteered. Stakeholder participants on the committee are Drs. Robert Freiman and Gregory Lewis.

Regularly Scheduled Committee Meetings – The Committee assignments have been disseminated. Dr. Abosh requested each Committee meet at least once a month to establish consistency.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – *(Sharon Oliver, MBA)*

Reminder: FCLB District III Meeting September 22-23, 2023, in Boston; President and Vice-President to Attend – Dr. Abosh and Dr. Pantazis will attend.

FARB Regulatory Law Seminar in Chicago, Ill, September 21-23, 2023. – Sharon Oliver will attend.

FARB Innovation in Regulation Seminar in Alexandria, Virginia, July 20-21, 2023. – Christopher Hawkins and Mae Mgbaja will attend.

NBCE Part IV Examinations: Drs. Abosh and Cruise to attend November 11-12, 2023, at Palmer Chiropractic College in Florida.

2023 Financials – Sharon Oliver reported on the Year-to-Date Income Summary for FY 2023. The Board has collected \$247,904 in revenue, primarily from CA renewal fees. The FY 2023 projected revenue was \$230,409. The projected surplus revenue is \$17,495. The State has not closed out FY 2023. Final revenue and expense data will be presented as soon as they are available.

2024 Expenditures Appropriation – The state has allocated \$642,618 for the Board to operate in FY 2024.

Staffing Update: Investigator Supervision Position – The candidate of choice has been selected, and submitted to HR for onboarding. Thank you to Nicole Cullings for her hard work supporting the caseloads for the Massage and Chiropractic Boards.

Letter to Governor Moore: FYI (*Informational Only*) – FCLB President Karen Campion, D.C., sent a letter to Governor Moore highlighting the achievements of the Board, and the FCLB as well as highlights from the FCLB's 96th Annual Congress .

Licensing Unit Manager Report – (*Christopher Hawkins*)

Chiropractic License Renewal Portal Opens July 14, 2023 – An email blast has been disseminated to all licensees. The portal will be open from July 14 – September 1, 2023 for regular renewals. The late renewal period runs from September 2 – September 30, 2023. Each Board Member and licensees who attend the Open Session will receive a maximum of three (3) hours of CEU credits towards their required renewal hours. One (1) CEU is earned for each Open Session.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Submissions by Dr. Kenneth Fish:

- **“Innovative Treatments for Upper Cross Syndrome,” 6 CEU Credit Hrs.** The Board voted to accept the Committee's recommendation to approve this course.
- **“Instrument Assisted Soft Tissue Mobilization Certification,” for 7 CEU Credit Hrs.** The Board voted to accept the Committee's recommendation to approve this course.
- **“Non-Operative Shoulder Rehabilitation: Current Approaches,” for 6 CEU Credit Hrs.** The Board voted to accept the Committee's recommendation to approve this course.
- **“Entrapment Neuropathies of the Upper Extremity,” for 6 CEU Credit Hrs.** The Board voted to accept the Committee's recommendation to approve this course.

Submissions by Dr. Randy Hallman:

- **“Mykinematic Restoration Home Study,” for 15.5 CEU Hrs.** The Board voted to accept

the Committee's recommendation to approve this course.

- **"Postural Respiration Home Study," for 15.8 CEU Credit Hrs.** The Board voted to accept the Committee's recommendation to approve this course.
- **"Pelvis Restoration Home Study," for 13 CEU Credit Hrs.** The Board voted to accept the Committee's recommendation to approve this course.

Submission by Tara Hankin:

- **"Spinemobility's Boot Camp Program for Lumbar Spinal Stenosis," for 8 CEU Credit Hrs.** The Board voted to accept the Committee's recommendation to approve this course.

Legislative /Regulations Committee – (Dr. Levin & Dr. Abosh)

The Legislative/Regulations Committee plans to meet regularly, once a month.

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

Ratification of New Licensees and Registrants – March & April 2023

The Board voted to accept the following Licensees and Registrants. Motion by Dr. Abosh; 2nd by Dr. Lewis to approve Chiropractors & CA Assistants as whole. The motion passed; Board Vote: 7/0/0.

Chiropractors: May & June 2023

LICENSE NO.	NAME	ORIGINAL LICENSE DATE
S04178	CHAMBERS, RENEE	05/09/2023
4179	FREES, RYAN M.	05/31/2023
S04180	THORP, JOSHUA L.	06/15/2023
4181	MBACHU, EUGENIA N.	06/28/2023

Total 4

CHIROPRACTIC ASSISTANTS: May & June 2023

REGISTRATION No.	NAME	ORIGINAL LICENSE DATE
RC2673	AKINAMDE, JOSEPH	03/03/2023
RC2674	HERNANDEZ, ALEXIS, A.	03/03/2023
RC2675	WARE, BETHANY K.	03/03/2023
RC2676	GRAHAM, SELINA E.	03/06/2023

RC2677	HERNANDEZ, EMELY M.	03/14/2023
RC2678	BRADFORD, SABRINA L.	05/22/2023
RC2679	ABADI, MICHAEL K.	05/22/2023
RC2680	AMMIRATO, KIMBERLY A.	05/22/2023
RC2681	TUCKER-ROBINSON, CAMERON A.	05/24/2023
RC2682	SONG, JEONGHEE	05/24/2023
RC2683	RUCHLIS, ANNALISA	05/24/2023
RC2684	COMBS, JENNIFER M.	05/23/2023
RC2685	CLARK, JUSTIN J.	05/24/2023
RC2686	ELLIOTT, TODD S.	05/31/2023
RC2687	ORDONEZ GARCIA, NAZARETH H.	05/31/2023
RC2688	SALMERON ROMERO, GABRIELA	05/31/2023
RC2689	WINTERS, II, PAUL JOHN	05/31/2023
RC2690	WINKLER, SHEENA E.	06/01/2023
RC2691	HUNTLEY, KWAME T.	06/01/2023
RC2692	LOPEZ, KARINA D.	06/01/2023
RC2693	PAGE, LAUREN M.	06/01/2023
RC2694	WAGNER, ELIZABETH	06/01/2023
RC2695	WALLACE, FAYDRA	06/07/2023
RC2696	MEJIA, GISELA G.	06/07/2023
RC2697	MENDOZA, CARLA	06/08/2023
RC2698	CHUONG, AMANDA	06/14/2023
RC2699	GRAY, VANETTA	06/22/2023

Total 27

CURRENT BOARD DATA as of 05/01/2023

BOARD	STATUS CODES	TOTAL
Chiropractor	Active	971
Chiropractor	Inactive	47
Chiropractic Assistant	Active	533
Chiropractic Assistant	Inactive	38



MISCELLANEOUS

Next Meeting Date – September 14, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. (Virtual).

Dr. Pantazis moved to adjourn the Open Session Meeting at 10:40 a.m.; 2nd by Dr. Cruise. The motion passed. Board Vote: 7/0/0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Enid Cruise by SD

Enid Cruise, D.C.
Secretary/Treasurer



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VIRTUAL PARTICIPANTS

Kimberly Link, Senior Advisor to Secretary

Zakiyyah Holmes, Office of the Secretary, Boards and Commissions

Lillian Reese, Legislative Liaison

Keith Scott, D.C.

IN-PERSON PARTICIPANTS

Leila Ayad

Robert Frieman, D.C.

Gregory Lewis, D.C.