

**BOARD OF PODIATRIC MEDICAL EXAMINERS
OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES
February 12, 2009**

Held off premises as Metro Executive Building was closed due to an electricity outage

The Open Session meeting of the Maryland Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners was held on Thursday, February 12, 2009, off premises as Metro Executive Building was closed due to an electricity outage. The meeting was called to order at 1:25 p.m. by President Dr. David Freedman. Board members present were Drs. Steven Chatlin, Ira Gottlieb, Jay LeBow, Tanya Sellers-Hannibal, Mrs. Ernestine Jones Jolivet and Ms. Barbara Crosby. Also present were Eva Schwartz, Executive Director, and Noreen Rubin, AAG.

A. MINUTES:

The minutes from the January 8, 2009 meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved as submitted.

B. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Report of the Task Force of Health Care Professionals and Improved Patient Care

Ms. Schwartz reported on the final proposed recommendations of the Task Force. The report was presented to a sub-committee (HGO) and upon legislative action, the Board will be updated of such.

C. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Proposed Legislation Senate Bill 634 (SB 634) Professional Corporations – Professional Services – Multiple Professions

The Board discussed this proposed bill and is in unanimous support of same. Ms. Schwartz discussed that she has approached the Board of Physicians for support of this bill. Noreen Rubin, AAG, stated that the bill as drafted appears vague and not specific enough to achieve the proposed concept of shared professions in a shared P.A. The MPMA will be informed of such.

Note:

Dr. Linda Lardner-McGinnis, MPMA representative, although not present, informed the Board telephonically that she did not have anything to report on behalf of the MPMA.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:37 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to Maryland State Government Annotated "10-501 et seq." the Board unanimously approved a motion to close its meeting at 1:37 p.m., for the purpose of complying with the Maryland Medical Practice Act that prevents public disclosures about particular proceedings or matters.

Respectfully submitted,

Ernestine Jones Jolivet, Secretary/Treasurer