

**BOARD OF PODIATRIC MEDICAL EXAMINERS
OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES**

July 14, 2011
Room 110

The Open Session meeting of the Maryland Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners (Board) was held on Thursday, July 14, 2011, in Room 110, 4201 Patterson Avenue. The meeting was called to order at 2:29 p.m. by President Dr. David Freedman.

Additionally, Board members present included: Drs. Jay LeBow and Steve Chatlin. Drs. Tanya Sellers-Hannibal and Craig Friedman were absent. Public members of the Board were Jay Boyar, EdS. Public member, Barbara Crosby, RN, BSN was absent.

Staff present: Eva Schwartz, Executive Director, Richard Bloom, AAG, and Sheri Henderson, Administrative Officer.

Guests present: Guests were not present at the Board meeting.

A. MINUTES:

The minutes of the June 9, 2011 meeting were approved as submitted.

B. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Review for approval and regulation promulgation of the Board's sanctioning guidelines

Discussion of the sanctioning guidelines was tabled until the September 8, 2011 meeting.

C. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Renewal of license application vs. the Board's Sanctioning Guidelines

The Board discussed the renewal process and the podiatrist's responsibility in completing the required paperwork appropriately, and acknowledging such by PERSONALLY submitting electronically the completed renewal application. This applies to paper renewal and submission as well. Podiatrists will be held accountable for incomplete or inaccurate renewal application/documents submitted electronically or via the mail. For violators, disciplinary actions may be enforced according to the Board's sanctioning guidelines.

2. Social Security Act- Mandatory Exclusions

The Social Security Act Mandatory Exclusions were reviewed by the Board. Ms. Schwartz indicated that she was advised by the DEA that the Maryland Board of Physicians, in applicable cases where there is a suspension of a license, or the CDC permit, the Board will request the surrender of the DEA and CDC permits from the

physician. The surrender will be part of the disciplinary Order. The Board voted to concur to implement this process.

**3. Questions & Answers to the National Practitioner Data Bank
(NPDB)**

A Copy of the *National Practitioner Data Bank News-July Issue* was provided to the Board for informational purposes.

**4. Topics Quarterly Newsletter Volume 26/No. 2 Summer 2011
from Gordon, Feinblatt, Rothman, Hoffberger & Hollander, LLC**

A Copy of *Topics Quarterly Newsletter Volume 26/No. 2 Summer 2011 from Gordon, Feinblatt, Rothman, Hoffberger & Hollander, LLC* was provided to the Board for informational purposes.

5. Review for eligibility for FULL License:

a. Branden Rhodes, D.P.M.

b. Donald Harrison, D.P.M.

The Board reviewed and approved the issuance of a Full license for the above applicants.

6. Suggested Additional Questions for Podiatrist Licensure Renewal

A Copy of *Suggested Additional Questions for Podiatrist Licensure Renewal* was submitted to the Board from MHCC. The Board reviewed and approved the document with changes. The Board also indicated that the completion of the additional questions should be optional.

7. Other

The Board expressed extreme gratitude and appreciation for David Freedman, DPM, for his outstanding service as Board President, since this was possibly Dr. Freedman's final meeting as a member of the Board.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 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 2:45 p.m., in room 110 for the purpose of complying with the Maryland Medical Practice Act that prevents public disclosures about particular proceedings or matters.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay H. Boyar, Secretary/Treasurer

