

BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC AND MASSAGE THERAPY EXAMINERS
BOARD MEETING

October 9, 2008

GENERAL SESSION AGENDA

1. **Review, approval of Agenda.**
2. **Review, approval of Board Minutes of last meeting, August 14, 2008 (*no meeting held in September*).**
3. **The Board will conduct a discussion/interview (20 minutes max.) with the following four (4) Supervising Chiropractor applicants to ascertain their qualification for certification as Supervising Chiropractors (script attached).**
 - a) Ira Abrams, D.C.
 - b) Ryan Fuson, D.C.
 - c) Brock Mattson, D.C.
 - d) Hyungsik Yoon, D.C.
4. **Review of Administrative Staff Issues, Mr. J.J. Vallone, Executive Director:**
 - a) DHMH/Board incentive award to Mr. Kelter
 - b) Recruitment – Grade 14 Investigator
 - c) Compliance Analyst Contractor, Ms. Danielle Gonnelli, Grade 11, part-time
 - d) NBCE Part IV Exam, November 14, 15, 16, 2008; two Board Members needed to attend
 - e) End of MTAC; summary of last Committee meeting held on September 18, 2008
 - f) Budget Cuts/Task Force Update
5. **Review of the massage therapy renewals: 11/01/2008 – 10/31/2010.**
6. **Requests for trade name approval:**
 - a) *Vestibular Diagnostic Consultants* – Michael S. DeCriscio, D.C.
 - b) *New Design Chiropractic and Rehabilitation Center P.A.* – Edward Kosenski, D.C.
 - c) *Dr. Mark A. Poehlman, D.C.* – Mark A. Poehlman, D.C.
 - d) *Metro Physical Therapy & Chiropractic Center* – Arash Sarabi, D.C.
 - e) *We Care Chiropractic* – Roderick G. Thomas, D.C.
 - f) *Williams Chiropractic Clinic* – Ronel R. Williams, D.C.
 - g) *DeMaio Chiropractic & Physical Therapy* – John V. DeMaio, D.C.
 - h) *Applied Chiropractic Associates, LLC* – Andrew Hancock, D.C.
7. **Board Preceptor Application (blank) presented for review/revisions.**

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8. **Inquiry regarding whether a properly trained C.A. can assist patients using a non-radiographic scanner.**
9. **Review of Preceptor petitions from Thomas Chaney, D.C., and Robert P. Marvenko, D.C.**
10. **FCLB Regional Meeting Update – Dr. Gamerman.**
11. **Clarification of CCE-Accredited Schools – Dr. Gamerman.**
12. **FYI – Miscellaneous correspondence for review/discussion.**

(WORKING LUNCH SERVED BETWEEN SESSIONS)

BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC AND MASSAGE THERAPY EXAMINERS
MINUTES - GENERAL SESSION

October 9, 2008

Members Present

Duane R. Sadula, D.C., Board President
Kay B. O'Hara, D.C., Board Vice-President
Margaret Renzetti, D.C., Board Secretary/Treasurer
Stephanie J. Chaney, D.C.
Marc M. Gamerman, D.C.
Mary Anne Frizzera-Hucek, Consumer
Issie L. Shelton Jenkins, Consumer

Non-Members Present

J.J. Vallone, Executive Director
Christopher J. Kelter, Deputy Director
Grant D. Gerber, Esq., Board Counsel
David Ford, Board Investigator
Maria Ware, Office Manager/Supervisor
Danielle Gonnelli, Compliance Analyst

Dr. Duane Sadula called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

Review of Agenda and Minutes

The October 9th Agenda was amended as follows: 1) under no. 4, add "f. Budget Cuts/Task Force Update"; 2) under no. 6, add "g. DeMaio Chiropractic & Physical Therapy – John V. DeMaio, D.C."; and add "h. Applied Chiropractic Associates, LLC – Andrew Hancock, D.C."; 3) add no. 10, "FCLB Regional Meeting Update – Dr. Gamerman"; and 4) add no. 11, "Clarification of CCE-Accredited Schools – Dr. Gamerman." Dr. O'Hara motioned to accept the amended Agenda; Ms. Hucek seconded, and the motion was unanimously voted.

The August 14th Minutes were approved as drafted. Dr. O'Hara motioned to accept the Minutes; Dr. Chaney seconded, and the motion was unanimously voted. (*NOTE: No Board Meeting was held in September.*)

Scheduled Discussion/Interview of Supervising Chiropractic Applicants

The following four (4) chiropractors appeared today before the Board seeking supervising chiropractic status: a) Ira Abrams, D.C.; b) Ryan Fuson, D.C.; c) Brock Mattson, D.C.; and d) Hyungsik Yoon, D.C.

Review of Administrative Staff Issues, Mr. J.J. Vallone, Executive Director

- The Board acknowledged the outstanding performance of Mr. Kelter in negotiating with the massage profession, healthcare industry, and legislators to draft/enact Senate Bill 960, which combined the chiropractic and massage programs into one Board (the Maryland Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners). Mr. Kelter will receive a DHMH Incentive Performance Award of \$300.

- The Board is recruiting for the vacant Investigator position (grade 14). The job has been posted on the State's employment database.
- Ms. Danielle Gonnelli, the Board's contract/part-time Compliance Analyst (grade 11), came in today to meet the Board Members. Ms. Gonnelli's duties include reviewing and cross-referencing data to determine the existence of illegal unlicensed massage practitioners in violation of the law/regulations.
- The NBCE Part IV Exam will be held November 14-16, 2008. Dr. O'Hara and Dr. Renzetti will attend; they will need to make all arrangements directly with NBCE.
- The Massage Therapy Advisory Committee (MTAC) was officially abolished by the legislature October 1, 2008. Mr. Kelter gave a summary of the last MTAC meeting held September 18, 2008. The Board distributed plaques to MTAC members, Mr. Simeon Pollock, CMT, Ms. Pamela Grant, CMT, Ms. Debra Davies, CMT, Ms. Karen Biagiotti, CMT, and Curtis Sprinkle, D.C.
- Martin D. Hoolaghan, Ph.D., the Board's Contract Substance Abuse Expert, lost his bout with cancer in August 2008. The Board held a moment of silence in his honor.
- Budget Cuts/Task Force Update: Mr. Vallone discussed that the State may abolish 5% State PINS (position identification numbers) across the board, lay off some employees, and may institute voluntary furloughs. A State Task Force has been developed, in conjunction with Senator Paula Hollinger, to review ways of solidifying and improving this budgetary situation for all Boards and Commissions.

Review of the Massage Therapy Renewal Process: 11/01/2008 to 10/31/2010 – Ms. Ware, Mr. Kelter

On September 15, 2008, 3,606 renewals were mailed to all active and inactive licensed massage therapists (LMTs) and registered massage practitioners (RMPs). As of this date, 572 renewals have been received and processed, of which 22 have voluntarily non-renewed. Many renewals were received with incomplete or no CEUs sent, incorrect or no fees sent, and/or renewals not completely filled out. The Board anticipates a voluminous amount of renewals to be received during the last week of October. The Board will also be short one staff member during that period; however, all remaining staff will work towards insuring timeliness and efficiency in reviewing renewals, depositing fees, and printing licenses.

Request for Trade Name Approval – Michael S. DeCriscio, D.C.

Dr. DeCriscio requests Board approval to use the trade name "Vestibular Diagnostic Consultants" in his practice. Dr. Renzetti made a motion to deny the requested trade name; Dr. Chaney seconded, and the motion was unanimously voted. The Board also advised that Dr. DeCriscio's letterhead which states he is "Board-certified in Vestibular Rehabilitation" must specify what Board certified him, so as not to mislead the public.

Request for Trade Name Approval – Edward Kosenski, D.C.

Dr. Kosenski requests Board approval to use the trade name “New Design Chiropractic and Rehabilitation Center P.A.” in his practice. Dr. Chaney made a motion to approve the trade name; Ms. Jenkins seconded, and the motion was unanimously voted.

Request for Trade Name Approval – Mark A. Poehlman, D.C.

Dr. Poehlman requests Board approval to use the trade name “Dr. Mark A. Poehlman, D.C.” in his practice. Dr. Chaney made a motion to approve the trade name; Ms. Hucek seconded, and the motion was unanimously voted.

Request for Trade Name Approval – Arash Sarabi, D.C.

Dr. Sarabi requests Board approval to use the trade name “Metro Physical Therapy & Chiropractic Center” in his practice. Dr. Renzetti made a motion to approve the trade name; Ms. Jenkins seconded, and the motion was unanimously voted.

Request for Trade Name Approval – Roderick G. Thomas, D.C.

Dr. Thomas requests Board approval to use the trade name “We Care Chiropractic” in his practice. Dr. Renzetti made a motion to approve the trade name; Ms. Jenkins seconded, and the motion was unanimously voted.

Request for Trade Name Approval – Ronel R. Williams, D.C.

Dr. Williams requests Board approval to use the trade name “Williams Chiropractic Clinic” in his practice. Dr. O’Hara made a motion to approve the trade name; Ms. Hucek seconded, and the motion was unanimously voted.

Request for Trade Name Approval – John V. DeMaio, D.C.

Dr. DeMaio requests Board approval to use the trade name “DeMaio Chiropractic & Physical Therapy” for his second satellite office, located in Bowie, MD. Dr. Renzetti made a motion to approve the trade name; Ms. Hucek seconded, and the motion was unanimously voted.

Request for Trade Name Approval – Andrew Hancock, D.C.

Dr. Hancock requests Board approval to use the trade name “Applied Chiropractic Associates, LLC” in his practice. Dr. O’Hara made a motion to approve the trade name; Dr. Chaney seconded, and the motion was unanimously voted.

Board Preceptor Application

The Board presented a blank Preceptor Application form to each member for their review. The outdated form will be revised once all revisions are received.

Inquiry from Ronda Sharman, D.C.

Dr. Sharman inquires as to whether a properly trained chiropractic assistant can assist patients, using a non-radiographic scanner which takes a photographic image of the feet. The scanner would provide a computer print-out for the chiropractor to explain to the patient. The Board determined that a CA cannot assist patients using the scanner nor can he/she discuss the results with patients; this is currently not within their scope of practice.

Review of Preceptor Petitions

Thomas Chaney, D.C., and Robert P. Marvenko, D.C., petition the Board for preceptorship status. Dr. O'Hara and Mr. Ford will conduct an inspection of Dr. Chaney's and Dr. Marvenko's practices and report back to the Board with their findings.

FCLB Regional Meeting Update – Dr. Gamerman

Dr. Gamerman attended the FCLB Regional Meeting held September 4-7, 2008 in Palm Beach, FL. Dr. Gamerman discussed the various highlights of the meeting. In 2009, FCLB will hold its meeting in Hollywood, CA. Baltimore will host the meeting in 2010.

Clarification of CCE-Accredited Schools – Dr. Gamerman

The Board tabled this subject until Board Counsel has had the opportunity to conduct a legal review.

Upon motion by Dr. O'Hara, seconded by Dr. Chaney, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the General Session at 12:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted:

*for Dr. Renzetti - Ronda Sharman, D.C.,
President*

**Margaret Renzetti, D.C.
Board Secretary/Treasurer**