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**MINUTES OF CONFERENCE CALL MEETING OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

A meeting of the CPBN Legislative Committee was held on Thursday, April 14, 2011 by telephone conference call. A telephone was available for public use in Suite M245 at 4600 Kietzke Lane, Reno, Nevada 89502.

The following Committee Members were present at the roll call at 1:00 PM:

Paul Jackson, Committee Chair
Jack Nolle, DC, Committee Member

Also present were CPBN Lobbyist Marsha Berkbigler, Secretary-Treasurer Ben Lurie, DC, Member Annette Zaro, DC, and Executive Director Cindy Wade.

Mr. Jackson determined that a quorum of the Committee was present and called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 1 Discussion/possible action regarding bill amendments in committee.

Marsha reported that AB1 will require our board to periodically report certain financial information to Interim Finance and the Legislative Commission beginning on July 1, 2011 and ending March 1, 2013. The information collected will be rolled into a Sunset bill in the 2013 Legislature. A list of the required financial information will be available on April 26 and we need to review it for any issues. Mr. Jackson moved that the Board's position on this bill should be neutral. Dr. Nolle seconded and the motion passed by affirmation.

AB474 will establish a Sunset Subcommittee to research certain information required to be submitted by all boards and commissions. Based on their results, the Legislative Counsel Bureau will report to the 2013 Legislature on the need for a determination of termination, modification, consolidation or continued operation of each board and commission. Marsha stated that this could have a drastic impact on our board and recommended that a Board representative be assigned to attend every Sunset Subcommittee meeting.

The NCA's lien bill, AB119, has not come up yet. AB382, the NCA's preceptorship bill, has not passed out of committee yet. Marsha stated that it will probably be combined with NCA bill SB215 which has passed to Assembly and will go to the Commerce Committee.

SB367 requires some health care practitioners to communicate certain information to the public. Marsha will find out if chiropractors are included in this bill but it will not affect on the board.

Marsha reported that SB354 passed out of committee with amendments. The Governor was not in support of appointing public members to be Chairs of the boards and commissions but he does want the authority to appoint the Chairs and to have the authority to remove them or any other board or commission members. Another concern is the provision to give authority to the Chair to hire or fire the Executive Director without input from the other board members. Marsha said this bill will probably be at committee again sometime in May and she will let everyone know the date. Dr. Nolle stated that we should maintain our opposition to this bill. Mr. Jackson stated that he has no objection to the appointment of the public member as Chair but the problem is giving the Chair the authority to hire and fire the Executive Director. Drs. Zaro and Lurie agreed with Dr. Nolle that we should continue to oppose this bill in its entirety and concentrate on working on the amendments. Marsha confirmed that all of the health care boards and lots of other boards are in opposition. NCA member Dr. Roper Dollarhide stated that the NCA feels this is not a good bill.

Marsha reported that it appears that chiropractors are excluded from the Dieticians' bill. Marsha has testified with regard to the CPBN's public safety concerns. Dr. Dollarhide will pass our concerns on to the NCA. SB412, the homeopaths' bill to establish a complementary integrative medicine board exempts chiropractors. Marsha has testified that our board is not at issue with SB412 unless the modalities that have been included present a conflict. There is lots of opposition to this bill but it could emerge in some form and, if so, we will address any problems with it at the next meeting.

Marsha will monitor the Open Meeting Law bills and provide a summary.

AB 323 passed yesterday with amendments. The Director of the Department of Business and Industry will provide the boards with a list of information concerning consumer fraud information that will be required for posting on his department's website.

SB37 passed yesterday with no amendments. It will impact our board as it requires boards to communicate regarding complaints that are in one another's jurisdictions.

Agenda Item 2 Discussion/possible action regarding bills on the floor.

There are currently no bills on the floor that we need to watch.

Agenda Item 3 Discussion/possible action regarding all relative bills.


No other bills were discussed.

Agenda Item 4 Public Comment.

There was no public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 2:03 PM.

Approved: June 4, 2011



Paul Jackson, Legislative Committee Chair