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MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Chiropractic Physicians' Board of Nevada was held on Tuesday, March 12, 2013 by telephone conference call at 12:30 PM. A telephone was available for public use in Suite M245 at 4600 Kietzke Lane, Reno, Nevada 89502.

The following Board Members were present at the roll call:

Lawrence Davis, DC, Member

Tracy DiFillippo, Esq., Consumer Member

Benjamin Lurie, DC, Vice President

Michele Mercer, Esq., Consumer Member

David Rovetti, DC, President

Annette Zaro, DC, Member

Also present were CPBN Staff Attorney Louis Ling, Executive Director Cindy Wade, and lobbyists Marsha Berkbigler and Mendy Elliott.

Dr. Rovetti determined a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 1 Public Interest Comments - No action

Daniella James stated that she is in favor of S.B. 198. J. Roman stated that she is against S.B. 198.

Agenda Item 2 Approval of agenda – For possible action

Dr. Lurie moved for approval of the agenda. Ms. DiFillippo seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

Agenda Item 3 Discussion and determination regarding S.B. 198 - For possible action

Dr. Lurie testified at the Legislative Committee meeting on March 6 but could not state the Board's position because the Board had not yet made that determination. Subsequently, Dr. Lurie sent a list of concerns regarding S.B. 198 to Dr. Overland and invited him to address them at this meeting. Dr. Overland responded to the list of questions and numerous questions from the Board. He said that much of the Florida statute was used as a model for S.B. 198. The NCA plans to offer CA courses for CAs in modalities, exercise and first aid/first responder. Board members discussed the possibility of abuse by DCs. Also, patients must be informed that a DC is not on the premises for CAs to perform therapies on them under indirect supervision.

Board members were very concerned that this bill could go into effect without appropriate regulations for public safety in place. Louis Ling confirmed that there is nothing specific in the bill that addresses regulations for CAs treating patients under indirect supervision. Dr. Overland commented that the NCA hopes this legislation will bring in more CA jobs but he doesn't anticipate DCs opening multiple offices without a doctor practicing in each one.

Mr. Ling instructed that the Board may take action to request Dr. Lurie to negotiate on this bill with the NCA, or take a position with respect to S.B. 198, i.e., in favor, against or neutral.

The following persons made public comment in favor of S.B. 198: Drs. Xavier Martinez, Luis Valera, Roper Dollarhide, and Lisa Berger, and Ruth Valera. Public comments were made against S.B. 198 by J. Roman and Raquel Garcia.

After further discussion by the Board members, Dr. Lurie moved that he, as Legislative Chair, be designated to negotiate with the NCA regarding S.B. 198. Ms. Mercer seconded the motion. The motion passed with Drs. Davis and Lurie, Ms. DiFillippo and Ms. Mercer in favor, and Drs. Rovetti and Zaro opposed.

Agenda Item 4 Discussion and determination regarding A.B. 73 - For possible action

Dr. Lurie testified for the Board at the Legislative Committee meeting on March 8 and responded to committee members' questions. The phrase "with or without" has been removed from the definition of manipulation in Section 1. There was considerable opposition to Section 10 but he feels there is a good chance it will remain intact. He is gathering more information from the Carrick Institute to support the Board's position regarding DCs performing EMGs.

Agenda Item 5 Legislative Report - No action

Mendy Elliott will work with Dr. Lurie on S.B. 198. Dr. Lurie thanked Mendy for her excellent report on A.B. 73.

Agenda Item 6 Update on Mentor Program - No action

This matter was tabled until the next meeting.

Agenda Item 7 Correspondence Report - No action

Dr. Rovetti sent a letter to the Physical Therapy Board referencing the recent AGO and requested that they rescind their approval of the "Orthopractic" seminar. They briefly discussed this matter at their meeting and will send a formal response to his letter after their March 28 meeting.

Agenda Item 8 Public Comment - No action

There were no additional public comments.

Agenda Item 9 Board Member Comments - No action

Dr. Rovetti expressed his appreciation of Dr. Lurie's efforts during the Legislative process. Dr. Zaro stated that she feels the Florida statute should not have been used as a basis for formulating a program for unsupervised CAs.

Agenda Item 10 Adjournment - For possible action

The meeting adjourned at 2:03 PM.

Approved: April 6, 2013

Jack/J. Nolle, DC, Secretary-Treasurer