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## **CHIROPRACTIC PHYSICIAN'S BOARD OF NEVADA**

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### **MEETING MINUTES**

A meeting of the Chiropractic Physicians' Board was held on Thursday, June 13, 2019 via teleconference at Kietzke Plaza, 4600 Kietzke Lane, Suite M245, Reno, NV 89502.

The following Board members were present at roll call:

Jason O. Jaeger, DC, President  
Morgan Rovetti, DC, Vice President  
Xavier Martinez, DC, Secretary-Treasurer  
Maggie Colucci, DC, Member  
Nicole Canada, DC, Member

Also present were Board Counsel, Louis Ling, Esq. and Executive Director, Julie Strandberg.

President, Dr. Jaeger determined a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m.

Dr. Canada led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Dr. Colucci stated the Purpose of the Board.

Dr. Jaeger stated to mark Tracy DiFillippo, Esq. present.

#### **Agenda Item 1 Public Interest Comments - No action.**

There were no public comments.

#### **Agenda Item 2 Approval of agenda – For possible action.**

Dr. Colucci moved to approve the agenda. Ms. DiFillippo seconded, and the motion passed with all in favor.

#### **Agenda Item 3 Approval of the April 23, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes. - For possible action.**

Ms. DiFillippo moved to approve the April 23, 2019 meeting minutes. Dr. Canada seconded, and the motion passed with all in favor.

**Agenda Item 5 Legislative Matters – For possible action.**

Dan Musgrove provided the Board with a report on final legislation that affected the Board.

**Agenda Item 12 Committee Reports**

**B. Legislative Committee (Dr. Jaeger) – For possible action.**

Dr. Jaeger made comments with respect to his experience as the legislative chair. Dr. Jaeger also confirmed that the Boards' bill was approved as submitted to include dry needling.

**Agenda Item 6 Discussion and potential action regarding the continuation of the existing contract for lobbyist services with Strategies 360 – Dan Musgrove. For possible action.**

Dr. Jaeger moved to approve the contract with Strategies 360. Dr. Canada seconded. Dr. Rovetti asked Mr. Musgrove whether he had worked on any other chiropractic bills and Mr. Musgrove responded that he had not. Dr. Rovetti indicated that based on legislative record, Mr. Musgrove stated that he was representing a group of chiropractors and physicians, and due to that reason she will vote against approving the contract with Strategies 360. Mr. Musgrove apologized for the misunderstanding or any misrepresentation. Mr. Musgrove provided full disclosure, stating that he worked on SB436, which allows DC's to be included in the co-ownership of a medical practice. The motion to approve the contract with Strategies 360 passed with all in favor, with the exception of Dr. Rovetti, who opposed.

Dr. Jaeger excused himself from the remainder of the meeting.

**Agenda Item 4 Ratification of granting of DC licenses to applicants who passed the examination from April to June 2019 – For possible action.**

Dr. Martinez moved to approve the ratification of granting of DC licenses to those who passed the examination from April to June 2019. Ms. DiFillippo seconded, and the motion passed with all in favor.

**Agenda Item 7 Discussion and potential action regarding the Application for Re-activation of DC license for Dan F. Stellavato, DC - For possible action. (Note: The Board may go into closed session pursuant to NRS 241 to consider the character alleged misconduct, or professional competence of Dr. Stellavato)**

Dr. Rovetti welcomed Dr. Stellavato and gave him the opportunity to go into closed session, and he denied. Dr. Rovetti asked Dr. Stellavato to provide the Board with his background. Following discussion, Dr. Rovetti made a motion that Dr. Stellavato take and pass the SPEC and the Nevada jurisprudence exam. Dr. Canada seconded, and the motion passed with all in favor.

**Agenda Item 8 Discussion and potential action regarding the Matter of James Overland Jr., DC - For possible action. (Note: The Board may go into closed session pursuant to NRS 241 to consider the character alleged misconduct, or professional competence of Dr. Overland)**

Dr. Rovetti welcomed Dr. Overland Jr. and gave him the opportunity to go into closed session, and he denied. Dr. Overland Jr. stated that he had taken and passed the SPEC exam and the scores have been received by the Board. Dr. Overland Jr. stated that he had also taken Part IV of the National Boards' and the results will be available July 2019.

**Agenda Item 9 Board Counsel Report – No action.**

Mr. Ling stated that he had nothing to report.

**Agenda Item 10 NCA Report – No action.**

Dr. Peter Randall reported on behalf of the NCA. Dr. Randall stated that the NCA will be holding a CA review course prior to the August exam. The NCA's annual seminar will be held in September in Reno, however the date and location have not been announced. Dr. Randall reported that the NCA and the CPBN were able to get CA's exempt from the radiology bill and the NCA opposed the mandatory immunization bill, which did not go forward.

**Agenda Item 11 NCC Report – No action.**

There was not a representative from the NCC in attendance.

**Agenda Item 12 Committee Reports**

**A. Continuing Education Committee (Dr. Martinez) – For possible action.**

Dr. Martinez stated that he did not have anything to report.

**C. Preceptorship Committee (Dr. Rovetti) – For possible action.**

Dr. Rovetti stated that she did not have anything to report.

**D. Test Committee (Dr. Rovetti) - For possible action.**

Dr. Rovetti stated that the next CA exam will be held on August 1, 2019.

**Agenda Item 13 Discussion regarding the chiropractor's assistant program – No action.**

Dr. Rovetti stated that she would like to present her ideas and the direction she sees the CA program and testing going. Dr. Rovetti feels that based on the existing guidelines it doesn't appear that the public is being properly protected. Dr. Rovetti proposed that all chiropractors who employ CA's be required to maintain malpractice insurance so the responsibility is on the DC, who has the necessary training. Dr. Colucci recommended that the associations consider providing a CA training program. Ms. DiFillippo inquired whether the Board had received any CA complaints during the 15 day application time period or during the six-month training period while waiting to take the exams. Julie Strandberg confirmed that the Board had not. Mr. Ling reminded the Board that NAC 634.3475 (2) is already in place, which states that the DC is responsible for the acts performed by the CA. Mr. Ling recommended that the Board look into accepting applicants who have completed the medical assistant training, as well as including on-the-job training. Dr. Rovetti asked whether the Board sees the CA's as a risk. Dr. Rovetti recommended mandatory registration before a CA starts putting their hands on patients, implement a training program for the CA's, and remove the ability for CA's to take x-rays.

**Agenda Item 14 Discussion and potential action regarding the grading of the CA and DC written exams – For possible action**

Julie Strandberg stated that Board staff needs a means to grade the in-person written exams and asked if anyone had any recommendations. Julie Strandberg stated that Dr. Rovetti recommended using the scantron system, however the cost is approximately \$500-\$1,000. Dr. Colucci and Ms. DiFillippo expressed concern with spending that much on potentially a temporary solution. Dr. Rovetti made a motion to pursue purchasing a scantron machine for grading the exams. Dr. Canada seconded. Julie Strandberg recommended that she would work with Dr.

Martinez on the purchase of the grading system. The motion to approve the purchase of the scantron machine passed with all in favor with the exception of Dr. Colucci and Ms. DiFillippo, who opposed.

**Agenda Item 15 Discussion and potential action regarding CA applicants who misrepresent response(s) on their application – For possible action.**

Dr. Martinez stated that when a CA misrepresents a response on their application there are not any consequences, so he would like to standardize the process. Dr. Martinez recommended that the applicant be given a two-hour reading assignment of an ethical situation and allow them to select a multiple choice answer illustrating the appropriate action, or allow the applicant to be heard before the Board. Mr. Ling confirmed that the Board may prepare standard language giving the CA the option. Ms. DiFillippo stated that she feels that it is important that the CA be heard before the Board. Dr. Martinez made a motion to table this agenda item. Dr. Rovetti seconded, and the motion passed with all in favor.

**2:20 Agenda Item 16 Discussion and potential action regarding additions, deletions and/or amendments to NRS 634 and NAC 634 – For possible action.**

**A. NAC 634.385 – Continuing Education**

Dr. Martinez recommended to revise NAC 634.385, to allow for additional discretion by the Continuing Education committee. Mr. Ling stated that he would work with Dr. Martinez to prepare a revision to NAC for the next Board meeting.

**Agenda Item 17 Executive Director Reports:**

- A. Status of Pending Complaints – No action.**
- B. Status of Current Disciplinary Actions – No action.**
- C. Legal/Investigatory Costs – No action.**

Julie Strandberg gave an overview of the Executive Director Reports.

**Agenda Item 18 Financial Status Reports:**

- A. Current cash position & projections – No action.**
- B. Accounts Receivable Summary – No action.**
- C. Accounts Payable Summary – No action.**
- D. Employee Accrued Compensation – No action.**
- E. Income/Expense Actual to Budget Comparison as of April 30, 2019 – No action.**
- F. Correction to the GL Suite monthly cost.**
- G. Correction to Brett Canady's salary calculation.**

Julie Strandberg gave an overview of the financial status reports and made corrections to comments made during the April 23, 2019 Board meeting, with respect to the monthly cost of GL Suite and the miscalculation of Ms. Canady's salary adjustment.

**Agenda Item 19 Correspondence Report – No action.**

Julie Strandberg stated that the attached correspondence were highlights from the FCLB's Annual Educational Congress held May 2019.

**Agenda Item 20 Public Interest Comments – No action.**

There were no public interest comments.

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**Agenda Item 21 Adjournment – For possible action.**

Dr. Rovetti moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Martinez seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

August 29, 2019

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Xavier Martinez, DC