

IOWA BOARD OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

January 26, 2022

Lucas State Office Building, 5th Floor Conference Room #526

Des Moines, IA

Open Session Meeting Minutes

Electronic Meeting: This electronic meeting was held in accordance with Iowa Code section 21.8. The Code states that a governmental body may conduct a meeting by electronic means only if circumstances are such that a meeting in person is impossible or impractical and access is provided to the public. Due to ongoing COVID-19 concerns, an in-person meeting is currently impractical. Public access to this meeting is provided to members of the public via teleconference.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m. by Gentry, Chairperson.

Roll Call

Members Present

Michael Schnurr, PA-C

Melissa Gentry, PA-C

Kevin de Regnier, D.O.

Laura Delaney, PA-C

Daniel Craig, PA-C

Natalie Weber, PA-C

Peter Stopulos, Public Member

Members Absent

Nick Boeyink, Public Member

Staff Present

Steve Garrison, Bureau Chief

Tessa Register, Assistant Attorney General

Maureen Barton, Investigator

Susan Reynolds, Executive Officer

Janelle Larson, Board Executive

Beth Jorgenson, Compliance Administrator

Vicky Winter-Clearman, Assistant to Board Administration

Guests Present

None

Approval of Open Session Minutes

de Regnier moved for the Board to approve the open session meeting minutes of October 27, 2021 as amended. A second was received by Schnurr. Abstained, Gentry, all other ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Reports

Executive Officer Report, Susan Reynolds

Reynolds announced the 2022 PA/BOM joint report will be provided on the share drive in Google for board members.

Board Chair Report, Melissa Gentry

There was no report made.

Bureau Chief Report, Steve Garrison

Revised Budget Summary

Garrison introduced the new board executive Janelle Larson. On general budget issues, Garrison reported that we continue to be solvent and have carry over funds because we have not hired for positions in a long time. Fees have not increased in ten years, Fee increases will be revisited in a couple of years when we are further in the red for more traction. de Regnier asked if the Bureau produces an annual report with statistically license and disciplinary activity that demonstrates the Board is acting to protect the public. Garrison responded annual reports that were previously produced are being revived. A draft should be able to the board members at the next meeting.

AAG Report, Tessa Register

2022 Legislative Session Update

AAG Register noted HF 803 was introduced last year and reintroduced this year, and the bill proposes adding physician assistants to various code sections and instructs certain agencies to add physician assistants to certain rules.

Public Comment

As there was no public present, there was no public comment.

Closed Session

Schnurr moved the board go into closed session at 9:19 a.m. pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1) (a), to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential, pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(d), to discuss whether to

whether to initiate licensee disciplinary investigations or proceedings. A second was received by Delaney. A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

Schnurr – Aye

Gentry – Aye

de Regnier – Aye

Delaney – Aye

Craig – Aye

Weber – Aye

Stopulos – Aye

Motion carried.

Open Session to vote on items discussed in closed session

The Board returned to open session at 10:40 a.m.

Closed Session Meeting Minutes

October 27, 2021

Schnurr moved for the Board to approve the closed session meeting minutes of October 27, 2021, as amended. A second was received by Craig. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Schnurr moved for the Board to close the following cases: 21-0205, 21-0220, 21-0265, 21-0296, 21-0300, 21-0312, 21-0313, 21-0319, 21-0326 and 21-0337. A second was received by Delaney. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Board Meetings

April 27, 2022

July 27, 2022

October 26, 2022

Adjournment

A motion was made by Weber to adjourn the meeting at 10:43 a.m. A second was received by de Regnier. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.