# Open Session Teleconference Meeting Minutes IOWA BOARD OF PODIATRY

July 9, 2021

Lucas State Office Building, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room #526 Des Moines, Iowa

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#### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Board Chair Nassif.

#### **Roll Call**

#### **Members Present**

Kathryn Arndt, Public Member
Theresa Hughes, DPM
Ryan Hughes, Public Member
Eugene Nassif, DPM
Travis Carlson, CPO
Laurie Barr-Cronin, Licensed Prosthetist and Orthotist

#### **Members Absent**

Erin Nelson, DPM Mica Murray Murdoch, DPM Mindy Trotter, DPM

#### **Staff Present**

Steve Garrison, Bureau Chief
Laura Steffensmeier, Assistant Attorney General
Tony Alden, Board Executive
Beth Jorgenson, Discipline Coordinator
Vicky Winter-Clearman, Assistant to Board Administration

#### **Guests Present**

None

#### **Election of Officers**

#### Chair

Hughes moved the nomination of Nassif as Board Chair. A second was received by Arndt. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

#### Vice Chair

Nassif moved the nomination of Nelson as Board Vice Chair. A second was received by Hughes. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

## **Open Session Meeting Minutes**

## **April 9, 2021**

moved the Board approve the open session meeting minutes of April 9, 2021 as presented. A second was received by . All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

## **Reports**

**Board Executive Report** 

Alden updated the Board on the Governor's proclamation. He stated there are currently 88 licensed Orthotists, 270 Podiatrists, 16 temporary Podiatrists, 69 Prosthetists and 8 Pedorthists.

Alden noted an email was sent to all licensees who have not yet currently renewed their license under the Governor's COVID-19 proclamation.

#### **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

#### **Closed Session**

Hughes moved that the board go into closed session at 9:11 a.m. pursuant to Iowa Code § 21.5(1)(d) to discuss whether to initiate licensee disciplinary investigations or proceedings, to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be confidential pursuant to Iowa Code § 21.5(1)(a). A second was received by Arndt. A roll call vote was taken:

Barr-Cronin- Aye
Arndt- Aye
Theresa Hughes-Aye
Murray Murdoch - Aye
Carlson-Aye
Nassif – Aye
Ryan Hughes- Aye
Trotter- Aye
Motion carried.

### **Open Session to Vote on Items Approved in Closed Session**

The Board returned to open session at 10:05 a.m.

Arndt moved the Board approve the closed session meeting minutes of April 9, 2021 as presented. A second was received by Hughes. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Nassif moved the Board close 21-0109. A second was received by Barr Cronin. Recused, Theresa Hughes, all other ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Theresa Hughes moved the Board close 21-0143. A second was received by Nassif. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Nassif moved the Board approve the Combined Statement of Charges, Settlement Agreement and Final Order in 20-0260. A second was received by Theresa Hughes. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

# **Future Board Meetings**

October 8, 2021

## Adjournment

A motion was made by Arndt to adjourn the meeting at 10:08 a.m. A second was received from Ryan Hughes. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.