

MINUTES
WV BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC
August 12, 2021 - - 8:00 a.m.
Holiday Inn & Suites
400 2nd Avenue
South Charleston, WV 25303

MEMBERS:

Barry A. Stowers, D.C., Chairman
Geoffrey R. Mohn, D.C., Vice Chairman
Terry W. Chambers, D.C., Investigative Officer
Karl C. Boone, D.C., Secretary
Ruth R. Lemmon, Public Member

PRESENT:

Barry A. Stowers
Geoffrey R. Mohn
Terry W. Chambers
Karl C. Boone
Ruth R. Lemmon

ALSO, IN ATTENDANCE:

Barbara L. Johnson, Executive Director
Anthony D. Eates, II, Deputy Attorney General

CALL TO ORDER:

Barry Stowers called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Geoff Mohn moved that the Minutes for the May 20, 2021, Board meeting be approved.

- Terry Chambers - 2nd Motion
- Motion carried.

JURISPRUDENCE EXAM:

The jurisprudence exam was administered to the following applicants - - Derrick J. Bramer; Jason J. Garrett; Jeremiah J. Holmes, I; Denyse D. Rowland-Jones; Louis Rhett Kenny; Erick S. Moll; Stephen E. Offenburger; Luke A. Short; Kenneth R. Tiller; Michael A. Turjanica. All received a license to practice chiropractic in the State of West Virginia.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion was made by Terry Chambers to enter Executive Session to discuss matters relating to old business.

- Geoff Mohn - 2nd Motion
- Motion carried.

DISMISS EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion was made by Terry Chambers to dismiss Executive Session.

- Geoff Mohn - 2nd Motion
- Motion carried.

There were no complaints to report; however, the Board discussed the following updates listed below.

OLD BUSINESS:

Update was given regarding licensee, Justin McCarter. State of Ohio v. J. McCarter is currently pending on outcome of appeals process - - Marietta Municipal Court update on August 5, 2021. Dr. McCarter is appealing his sentencing.

No motion needed.

Board discussed Consent Decree & Order (Complaint No. 2019-182) and entered into the records of the Board on March 25, 2020, for Dr. Dustin Wright. Dr. Wright failed to pass the Fraud section of the Ethics & Boundaries Assessment Services (EBAS) exam. Barbara contacted Dr. Wright to notify him that the Board would allow him to complete the SPEC Exam once again, and the deadline for completing is November 20, 2021.

No motion needed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Barry Stowers discussed with the Board advertisements the Board received by three licensees that were not in compliance with the advertising rules and regulations of the Board. Barbara contacted each licensee requesting each make the necessary changes to their advertisements to meet compliance. All complied with the request of the Board.

No motion needed.

The Board reviewed and discussed a request for continuing education approval received from Dr. Steve Thaxton for a seminar entitled "Nutritional Protocols for the Chiropractic Physician", scheduled for January 7-8, 2022, at the Charleston Civic Center, for 18 CE hours. Terry Chambers made motion to approve the seminar as submitted.

- Geoff Mohn - 2nd Motion
- Motion carried.

House Bill 2024, relating to Telehealth, passed the 2021 legislative session. The Agency Approved Filing was completed on July 13, 2021, for proposed Legislative Rule, 4CSR9, Chiropractic Telehealth Practice. Emergency Filing for 4CSR9 went into effect on July 20, 2021.

The Board reviewed and discussed the “draft” letter by Barry Stowers addressed to UMR. Motion was made by Terry Chambers to table this matter until the November 18, 2021, Board Meeting.

- Geoff Mohn - 2nd Motion
- Motion carried.

Motion was made by Terry Chambers to accept and approve P-card (purchasing card expenditures) for May, June, and July 2021. The Board’s cash balance was also reviewed.

- Geoff Mohn - 2nd Motion
- Motion carried.

The Board discussed the FCLB Districts III & V Meeting scheduled for October 7-10, 2021, in Jersey City, NJ. The Board will not attend, due to the Governor’s “Non-Essential Travel Ban”. Per Nathan Ellis, Director of E-Travel, WV State Auditor’s Office, this does apply to Board members, as well as staff.

The next scheduled Board meeting will be held on Thursday, November 18, 2021, via conference call.

Adjourn

Signed & Dated:



Barry A. Stowers, D.C.
Chairman