

NEW MEXICO MEDICAL BOARD
Interim Board Meeting – June 26, 2024
2055 S. Pacheco Street, Suite 400
Santa Fe, NM 87505

MINUTES

MEETING MADE PUBLIC VIA ZOOM AND TELECONFERENCE

Video Conferencing: Karen Carson, MD, Chair
Kathy Johnson, P.A , Vice Chair
Bradley Scoggins, DO, Secretary Treasurer
Mark Unverzagt, MD
Eileen Barrett, MD
Peter Beaudette, MD - **Excused**
Kristen Reidy, DO
Buffie Saavedra, Public Member

Others Present: Amanda Quintana, Interim Executive Director
Tom Banner, Esq. – Special Counsel – Via Zoom
Debbie Rodriguez, Investigations Manager
Lori Arevalo, Hearing Clerk/Compliance Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Dr. Carson, after establishing the presence of a quorum, called the June 26, 2024, Board Meeting of the New Mexico Medical Board to order at 4:05 pm, roll call was completed.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION was made by Dr. Carson to approve the agenda. **SECONDED:** Dr. Scoggins **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Reidy, PA Johnson, Dr. Unverzagt, Dr. Barrett, Dr. Scoggins and Ms. Saavedra. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Beaudette. **MOTION CARRIED.**

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION was made by Dr. Scoggins to move the approval of the May 2-3, 2024 minutes to the August 1-2, 2024 Board meeting. **SECONDED** by Dr. Carson. **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Reidy, PA Johnson, Dr. Unverzagt, Dr. Barrett and Dr. Scoggins. **EXCUSED:** Ms. Saavedra & Dr. Beaudette. **MOTION CARRIED.**

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Complaint Committee Reports, Licensing Requests, Action.

MOTION was made by Dr. Carson to go into Executive Session pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H) (1) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss matters pertaining to the issuance, suspension, renewal or revocation of a license and disciplinary matters. **SECONDED:** Dr. Barrett. **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Reidy, PA Johnson, Dr. Unverzagt, Dr. Barrett and Dr. Scoggins. **EXCUSED:** Ms. Saavedra and Dr. Beaudette. **MOTION CARRIED.**

OPEN SESSION

The Board returned to open session. Dr. Carson stated for the record that the matters discussed in executive session were limited only to those specified in the motion for closure.

5. ACTIONS RELATED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Complaint Committee B:

Committee B [MU]

Case#NMMB-20240129 Recommendation was made by Dr. Unverzagt for closure of this case and issuance of a physician license in New Mexico. **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Reidy, PA Johnson, Dr. Barrett, Dr. Scoggins and Ms. Saavedra. **RECUSED:** Dr. Unverzagt. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Beaudette. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Case#NMMB-20240131 Recommendation was made by Dr. Unverzagt for closure of this case and issuance of a physician license in New Mexico. **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Reidy, PA Johnson, Dr. Barrett, Dr. Scoggins and Ms. Saavedra. **RECUSED:** Dr. Unverzagt. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Beaudette. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Complaint Committee C:

Committee C [KC]

Case#NMMB-20230128 Recommendation was made by Dr. Carson to offer physician an Agreed Order requiring compliance with the specific terms and conditions set forth in the Physician's Renewal Center's (PRC) April 2024 final discharge summary. If physician does not accept offer, a notice of contemplated action will be issued based on, but not limited to, interaction with patients that adversely affects patient care, conduct likely to harm, failure to report adverse action, and conduct unbecoming. **YES:** Dr. Reidy, PA Johnson, Dr. Unverzagt, Dr. Barrett, Dr. Scoggins and Ms. Saavedra. **RECUSED:** Dr. Carson. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Beaudette. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Case#NMMB-20230288 Recommendation was made by Dr. Carson to offer physician an interim consent agreement requiring physician to undergo an indepth evaluation at the Physician's Renewal Center (PRC), or comparable program (Pine Hurst, Acumen), to be completed within 3 months during which time physician will have a worksite monitor and chaperone with him at all times while working. The interim consent agreement will remain in place until the Board receives and has reviewed the evaluation report and determines final action on the investigation case. If physician does not accept offer, a notice of contemplated action will be issued based on, but not limited to, interaction with patients and others that could adversely affect patient care, conduct unbecoming and conduct likely to

harm. **YES:** Dr. Reidy, PA Johnson, Dr. Unverzagt, Dr. Barrett, Dr. Scoggins and Ms. Saavedra. **RECUSED:** Dr. Carson. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Beaudette. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Case#NMMB-20240163 Recommendation was made by Dr. Carson to offer physician applicant a stipulated license requiring enrollment and compliance in NMHPWP. If physician applicant does not accept offer, he may withdraw his license application while under investigation or a notice of contemplated action will be issued to deny licensure based on, but not limited to, habitual/excessive use of alcohol, adverse licensure action in another state and conduct unbecoming. **YES:** Dr. Reidy, PA Johnson, Dr. Unverzagt, Dr. Barrett, Dr. Scoggins and Ms. Saavedra. **RECUSED:** Dr. Carson. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Beaudette. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Committee D [BScogg]

Case#NMMB-20240067 Recommendation was made by Dr. Scoggins to close this case with no action and resident no longer has a license. **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Reidy, PA Johnson, Dr. Barrett, Dr. Unverzagt and Ms. Saavedra. **RECUSED:** Dr. Scoggins. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Beaudette. **MOTION CARRIED.**

7. New Business

- **Review and possible approval of draft Resolution Assigning the Secretary-Treasurer of the New Mexico Medical Board the Task of Evaluating Requests, For, and Entering Into, Interim Stipulated Orders to Place Professional Medical Licenses on Inactive Status During Investigations:**
 - After a brief discussion of the draft Resolution, Dr. Carson created a Subcommittee, including Dr. Unverzagt, Dr. Reidy, PA Johnson and Dr. Scoggins who will review the Resolution in more detail to discuss at the next Board meeting for possible approval.

8. Adjourn

There being no further business before the Board, Dr. Carson adjourned the meeting at 5:35 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY: _____
Amanda Quintana, Interim Executive Director

DATE:

APPROVED BY: _____
Karen Carson, M.D., Chair

DATE:

APPROVED BY: _____
Bradley Scoggins, D.O., Secretary

DATE: