

AGENDA
CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD
Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 1:30 PM
Legislative Office Building – ROOM 1-B
300 Capitol Avenue, Hartford Connecticut

CALL TO ORDER

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

December 19, 2017

II. OPEN FORUM

III. UPDATES

- A. Chair Updates
- B. DPH Updates

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Joseph Earles, MD – Review of License Application
Presented by Celeste Dowdell, License and Applications Analyst
- B. Ada Jemison, MD – Review of License Reinstatement Application
Presented by Celeste Dowdell, License and Applications Analyst
- C. Oral Argument - Proposed Memorandum of Decision
Mark Melendez, MD - Petition No. 2014-737

V. OFFICE OF LEGAL COMPLIANCE

- A. John Kaczmarek, M.D. - Petition No. 2015-1551
Presentation of Consent Order – Diane Wilan, Staff Attorney, DPH
- B. Joseph Guarnaccia, M.D. - Petition No. 2017-1169
Presentation of Consent Order – Matthew Antonetti, Principal Attorney, DPH

VI. 120 DAY EXTENSIONS

Mohan Kaza, MD – Petition No. 2015-1108
David Parnas, MD - Petition No. 2017-413

ADJOURN

The following minutes are draft minutes which are subject to revision and which have not yet been adopted by the Board.

**CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD
MINUTES of December 19, 2017**

The Connecticut Medical Examining Board held a meeting on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at the Legislative Office Building, 300 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut in conference room 1-C.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kathryn Emmett, Esq., Chairperson *–via telephone*
Robert Green, MD
Michele Jacklin
Marilyn Katz, MD
Brimal Patel, MD
Jean Rexford
Daniel Rissi, MD
C. Steven Wolf, MD
Andrew Yuan, DO

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Raymond Andrews, Jr., Esq.
Carol Ekonomides, PA
Allyson Duffy, MD
Joseph Kaliko, Esq.
Edward McAnaney, Esq.
Peter Zeman, MD

Dr. Wolf called the meeting to order at 1:43 p.m.

I. MINUTES

The draft minutes of the November 21, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Green made a motion, seconded by Dr. Yuan, to approve the minutes. The motion passed with all in favor except Dr. Rissi, who abstained.

II. OPEN FORUM

None

III. UPDATES

A. Chair Updates
None.

B. Department of Public Health

None

The Board requests updates on the following topics be presented at the January 16, 2018 meeting:

- Proposed legislation to be raised during the 2018 session that will be of interest to the Board.
- Licensure Compact – Will Connecticut be participating?
- Have complaint investigations increased subsequent to the enactment of Connecticut General Statutes Section 19a-12e.
- Has there been an increase in investigations relating to sexual misconduct/harassment?
- Has HAVEN received its funding that was earmarked pursuant the \$5.00 increase in healthcare provider licensing fees which went into effect on October 1, 2015?

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Joseph Earles, MD – Review of License Application

Celeste Dowdell, License and Applications Analyst, Department of Public Health presented a license application of Joseph Earles, MD. The Board reviewed this application at its November 21, 2017 meeting at which time the Board requested that additional information be submitted. Following discussion Dr. Rissi made a motion, seconded by Dr. Green to again table this matter to allow for the presentation of additional information. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Anne Marie Finegan, MD – Review of License Application

Celeste Dowdell, License and Applications Analyst, Department of Public Health presented a license reinstatement application of Anne Marie Finegan, MD. Dr. Finegan was present for this discussion. Dr. Green made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rexford recommending that Dr. Finegan's license be reinstated. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Patel arrived at 2:10 p.m.

V. OFFICE OF LEGAL COMPLIANCE

A. Paul Bellofiore, M.D. – Petition No. 2016-1280

Matthew Antonetti, Principal Attorney, Department of Public Health, presented a motion to withdraw the Statement of Charges in this matter based on respondent's voluntary surrender of his license. Respondent was not present nor represented.

Dr. Rissi made a motion, seconded by Dr. Green, to adopt the Department's motion to withdraw the charges. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Wolf signed the Order.

B. David Pearlstone, M.D. Petition No. 2016-593

Matthew Antonetti, Principal Attorney, Department of Public Health, presented a Consent Order in this matter. Respondent was not present nor represented.

Dr. Rissi made a motion, seconded by Dr. Yuan to adopt the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Wolf signed the Order which imposes a reprimand, a \$7500.00 civil penalty and probation for one year.

C. Usman Ramzan, M.D. – Petition No. 2017-367

Matthew Antonetti, Principal Attorney, Department of Public Health, presented a Consent Order in this matter. Respondent was present without representation.

Dr. Green made a motion, seconded by Dr. Patel, to adopt the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Wolf signed the Order which imposes probation for a period of five years.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Emmett, Esq., Chairperson