CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING February 20, 2024

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kathryn Emmett, Esq., Chairperson William C. Kohlhepp, DHSc, PA-C Allyson Duffy, MD Harold Sauer. MD Michele Jacklin Joseph Kaliko, Esq. C. Steven Wolf, MD David Schwindt, MD Peter Zeman, MD Shawn London, MD. Daniel Rissi, MD Andrew Yuan, DO

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Robert Green, MD Raymond Andrews, Jr., Esq. Marilyn Katz, MD Peter Zeman, MD Keat Jin Lee, MD Edward G McAnaney, Esq.

DPH / AAG STAFF PRESENT:

Ryan Burns, DPH Deputy Director Tanya DeMattia, Assistant Attorney General Joelle Newton, DPH Staff Attorney Craig Sullivan, DPH Staff Attorney Celeste Dowdell, License and Applications Analyst Tyra Anne Peluso, Board Liaison

CALL TO ORDER. The meeting was called to order at 1:33p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Sauer moved to amend the minutes of the December 19, 2023, regular meeting. Joe Kaliko seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

William Kohlhepp moved to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2023, regular meeting, as amended. Steven Wolf seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

CHAIR UPDATES

The status of board membership was discussed and the link to the State of Connecticut Boards, Councils and Commissions Memberships was provided.

Dr. Eugene's resignation was communicated, and the Board offered its thanks in recognition of her service.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to Amend Statement of Charges. Leah Kenney, PA, Petition No. 2022-87. Attorney Craig Sullivan appeared on behalf of the Department. Attorney Heidi Cilano appeared on behalf of Respondent. Atty. Cilano filed a motion to dismiss. Mr. Kohlhepp moved to deny the motion to dismiss. Joe Kaliko seconded the motion. After brief discussion, Dr. Wolf recused himself, the remaining Board members voted by roll call vote to deny the motion.

Mr. Kohlhepp moved to grant the Department's motion to amend the Statement of Charges. Michele Jacklin seconded the motion. Dr. Wolf recused himself, the remaining Board members voted by roll call voted to approve the motion.

Consideration of Consent Order. Timothy A. Tobin, MD, Petition No. 2021-100. Attorney Craig Sullivan appeared on behalf of the Department. Attorney Sachner appeared on behalf of the Respondent. Mr. Kohlhepp moved to table the matter to the March 19, 2024, regular meeting. Dr. Sauer seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote.

Review of Reinstatement Requests

- Arno D. Housman, MD. Celese Dowdell appeared on behalf of the Department and provided a review of the request. Mr. Housman appeared. Dr. Wolf moved to recommend reinstatement, with conditions. Dr. London seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote.
- <u>Deborah E. Levenson, MD</u> Celese Dowdell appeared on behalf of the Department and provided a review of the request. Joe Kaliko moved to recommend reinstatement. Mr. Kohlhepp seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously following vote by roll call.
- <u>Ernest P. Scarnati, MD</u> Celese Dowdell appeared on behalf of the Department and provided a review of the request. Dr. Sauer moved to recommend reinstatement. Michele Jacklin seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously following vote by roll call.
- Richard P. Johnson, MD Celese Dowdell appeared on behalf of the Department and provided a review of the request. Richard Johnson appeared. Dr. Wolf moved to table the matter to the March 19, 2024, regular meeting. Mr. Kohlhepp seconded the motion. After brief discussion, the Board members voted by roll call vote to approve the motion.

The Board requested that the Department provide feedback on today's reinstatement approval recommendations for future guidance.

Review of Residency Training Completed Outside of the U.S. Raghav Sundar, MD. Celese Dowdell appeared on behalf of the Department. Raghav Sundar appeared. Dr. Wolf moved to recommend approval of a license. Michele Jacklin seconded the motion. After brief discussion, the Board members voted by roll call vote to approve the motion.

The Board renewed its request made during the December 19, 2023, regular meeting, that the licensing group provide information related to complete license status in the future.

ADJOURN

Dr. Sauer moved to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Kohlhepp seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Kathryn Emmett, Esq., Chairperson