



[Alaska Board of Chiropractic Examiners March 28, 2025, Meeting](#) Minutes  
Alaska Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing  
3/28/2025 9:00 AMAKDT

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

**Members:**

Dr. John Lloyd – Board Vice President

Dr. Tim Kanady – Member

Dr. Walter Campbell –Member

Ronald Gherman- Public Member

**Guests:**

Reid Bowman – Program Coordinator II

Shane Bannarbie – Program Coordinator

Debbie Ryan- Alaska Chiropractic Society (ACS)

Josh Hardy- Investigator

Melissa Dumas- Admin Operations Manager

Meeting called to order at 09:00 a.m.

2. Review/Approve Agenda

MOTIONed to accept January 12, 2024, meeting minutes.

MOVED by Timothy Kanady, seconded by John Lloyd; MOTION passed unanimously.

3. Ethics Reporting

Members were polled by roll call, to declare any conflict or ethics issues. No conflicts announced.

4. Selection and Approval of New Board Chair

MOTION to approve Dr. John Lloyd as Chair of the Chiropractic Board for one year and vote for Chair again after one year, and appoint Dr. Tim Kanady as Vice Chair and vote for Vice Chair again after one year.

MOVED by Walter campbell; Seconded by Ron Gherman; MOTION passed unanimously.

5. Public Comment

No members of the public attended for comment

6. Melissa Dumas: Division update\_FY24 Fiscal Update (Q2)

Mellissa Dumas presented the second quarter expenditure report to the board. Dr. Lloyd inquired if there was any way to reduce fees? Dr. Campbell provided, the board doesn't

travel much and that should reduce costs. Melissa Dumas summarized the board costs and which aspects were the most costly, mainly process and overhead and investigations costs. She also included that measures have already been taken to reduce costs by bringing applications online, reducing process costs. Dr. Campbell included, costs have recently increased across all labor sectors. Dr. Kanady provided he's communicated to licensee the cost reflect the cost of doing business.

7. Division Update

Director Sylvan Robb provided a division update, mainly focusing on two recent bills introduced by the governor. Bill for Alaska to join nurse licensure compact. Director Robb explained nursing is the divisions largest program. Director Robb explained that if the board would like to support the bill the bill numbers are HB131 and SB124. She went on to describe the second bill introduced by the governor, Universal Temporary Licensure, HB158 and SB145. She explained this bill standardizes temporary licenses, making requirements easier and a step towards license rather than being a separate license.

8. Josh Hardy: Investigative Report

Mr. Hardy provided a brief status update on current chiropractic investigations ongoing

9. Debbie Ryan: Alaska Chiropractic Society (ACS) Report

Debbie Ryan provided the ACS report and thanked the board for approving the ACS to be included as a non academic provider of continuing education. She highlighted a trend of doctors leaving state or reducing their practice and other ACS actions. Ms. Ryan inquired about the rules surrounding preceptorship and where it would be useful to put information on the boards frequently asked questions (FAQ) web page. Dr. Lloyd responded that prospective doctors should be aware of the current regulations and use that as a guiding tool for decisions and interpretations and the board should be very careful and mindful to not extrapolate more than what the statutes state in an FAQ.

10. Board Business

A. Medical Spa Workgroup Delegate Selection (Optional)

Dr. Larson was the prior delegate. With his seat expiration, a new delegate must be approved by the board

MOTION to approve Dr. John Lloyd as the delegate for the Medical Spa Workgroup

MOVED by Dr. Walter Campbell, seconded by Dr. Kanady; MOTION passed unanimously.

B. Set Board Schedule for 2025 Meetings

MOTION to approve next meeting date for month of October 10, 2025

MOVED by Dr. Kanady, seconded by Dr. Campbell; MOTION passed unanimously.

- C. National Boards Delegations:  
National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE)

MOTION to appoint Dr. Walter Campbell as delegate and Dr. John Lloyd as alternate to the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

MOVED by Dr. Kanady, seconded by Ron Gherman; MOTION passed unanimously

- D. FY2025 Annual Report Delegation  
MOTION to appoint Dr. Tim Kanady to draft 2025 Annual Report. May 30, 2025 deadline for review by board.

MOVED by Dr. Campbell, seconded by Ron Gherman; MOTION passed unanimously.

- E. Jurisprudence Exam Review and Update  
The Board agreed to send individual suggestions for the exam update to the examiner. Dr. Lloyd requested a specific question be added to the test: "Is it the responsibility of the board to notify license holders license renewal deadlines"

- F. SENATE BILL 121 Discussion (requested by Dr. Campbell)  
The board discussed current legislative discussions around SB121. Debbie Ryan discussed the role the ACS is playing in opposition to the bill. Ms. Ryan also commented on the importance of the ACS for the role it plays in advocacy and addressing various bill legislations. The board discussed editing a letter addressed to the governor in opposition of a similar bill. The board agreed to edit the past letter to the governor and send an updated letter to the governor in opposition to SB121.

MOTION to delegate to Dr. Campbell the task of revising and providing and updated draft of the opposition letter sent to the governor on April 1, 2023. The updated draft will then be sent to the governor for SB121 opposition.

MOVED by Ron Gherman, seconded by Dr. Kanady; MOTION passed unanimously.

- G. SENATE BILL 107: Alaska Sunset Commission (Board Awareness)  
The board reviewed SB107, minor discussion, no action taken.

H. CBPL Memo to Boards: Reinstatement Requirements

The board reviewed the division memo regarding inability to require license to reinstate if it is not explicitly allowed in statute.

I. Late Renewal Exemption: Dr. Amy Conklin

The board heard Dr. Conklin's position on incidents that contributed to her renewal status. After hearing Dr. Conklin, the board proposed a MOTION to enter into executive session to further vet the issue.

I Dr. John Lloyd, move that the Alaska State Board of Chiropractic Examiners enter into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310 (c), and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person, provided the person may request a public discussion. Board staff welcomed to remain in the session. Seconded by Dr. Campbell; MOTION passed unanimously.

The board entered executive session at 11:42 a.m.

The board came back on the record at 12:01 p.m.

Roll Call: all members present, Reid Bowman, Shane Bannarbie, Debbie Ryan, and Dr. Conklin present.

Dr. Tim Kanady informed Dr. Conklin that the board cannot amend her licensure renewal effective date due to statutory and regulatory guidance on the matter.

Break at 12:13 a.m.

The board came back on the record at 12:13 p.m.

Roll Call: all members present, Reid Bowman, Shane Bannarbie, and Debbie Ryan present.

Dr. Tim Kanady left the meeting shortly after coming back on the record at 12:14 p.m.

J. License Audit Compliance: William F. Risch, DC

Reid Bowman suggested the matter should be sent to investigations prior to the full board's review. The board agreed.

11. Correspondence

A. Debbie Ryan: Scope of practice

1st Question: Use of peptides?

The board responded due to the complexity of the use of peptides and the fact peptides are more medical than chiropractic the board cannot provide scope

guidance on the topic. However, to address whether a chiropractor can talk with a patient about peptides, the board sees no issue. Dr. Lloyd suggested the medical spa group may be able to provide insight. Yes. This product is considered a research molecule but in the terms of the newness of this it is considered very similar to a prescription medication and should be treated as such when discussing with patients and would fall outside the scope of practice as written in regulations. The board concluded it cannot categorize peptides and suggested the doctor seek the classification for peptides with the Food and Drug Administration.

2nd Question: Is rehab for post-op allowed?

The board responded to the correspondence question regarding post-op rehab allowance, that this practice is well within the chiropractic scope.

- B. James Demetrious, DC, DABCO, Postgrad DC, CEO  
Postgrad DC company is requesting contact for endorsing their 10-hour Cervical Artery Dissection (CAD) certification program.

The board requested the correspondence be sent to the ACS

- C. The Academy of Chiropractic Orthopedists, also known as Academy of Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine.  
Unqualified programs calling themselves board-certified or fellows with little or no academic scrutiny. calls on state licensing boards and regulatory agencies to implement greater oversight and regulation of the use of the term "Board Certification."

No board action taken

- D. FCLB: Regulatory Committee  
Seeking insights from member boards and commissions about their board member recruitment practices.

No board action taken

## 12. Adjourn

MOTION to adjourn made by board chair.

MOVED by Ron Gherman, Dr. Walter Campbell seconded; MOTION passed unanimously.