

**STATE OF ALASKA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS, AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING**

**STATE MEDICAL BOARD**

**MINUTES OF  
TELECONFERENCE MEETING**

**August 4-5, 2016**

By authority of AS 08.01.070(2) and in compliance with the provisions of AS 44.62, a regularly scheduled meeting of the Alaska State Medical Board was held on Thursday and Friday, August 4-5, 2016 by teleconference.

**Thursday, August 4, 2016**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Grant T. Roderer, MD, Chair, at 9:05 a.m.

**Roll Call**

Board members present onsite:

Cam Carlson, Public Member  
Brück A. Clift, MD  
Craig Humphreys, MD  
Kathleen Millar, Public Member  
Joy M. Neyhart, DO  
Grant T. Roderer, MD

Board members present by teleconference:

Sai-Ling Liu, DO  
Kevin Luppen, PA-C

Board staff present on-site: Debora Stovern, Executive Administrator

There were no visitors present.

**Agenda Item 1      Review Agenda**

The Board reviewed the agenda; no changes were made.

## Agenda Item 2 Board Business

### Announcements

The Board reviewed the Division letter regarding travel and hiring restrictions. Due to the State's current financial environment, the Department had implemented travel restrictions and other cost-saving measures. The new policy allows for just two Board meetings per year that involve travel. In response, the Board president determined to conduct this meeting via teleconference, and hold the November 2016 and February 2017 meetings in-person. Several Board members attended the meeting in-person at their own expense, even though the meeting was changed to a teleconference, as they felt it would be difficult to conduct complex business and address multiple topics for a two day meeting. In addition, the newest Board members, who have only attended one meeting each, did not feel comfortable or confident to participate by teleconference.

Board members expressed concern with their ability to effectively conduct their business with this format. It was noted that the Board conducts teleconference meetings throughout the year to consider uncomplicated or urgent investigative items. However, it is essential that the Board regularly meet in person to conduct complex business and address multiple topics spanning two meeting days, which is problematic by teleconference. Regular meetings typically include a number of topics that require in-person consideration, including disciplinary actions, malpractice reports, proposed legislation, and FSMB updates, conducting in-person applicant interviews, composing required reports to the Legislature and Governor's Office, reviewing continuing medical education audit, and investigative and fiscal reports from Division staff.

The Board will discuss their teleconference experience at the upcoming meetings, to determine whether to petition the Division for an exception for the May 2017 meeting.

### Ethics Reporting

There were no ethics conflicts to report. Dr. Roderer noted that he would recuse himself from the vote on the hearing officer matter.

### Board Disciplinary Guidelines

The Board has well-established policies and procedures to investigate complaints and malpractice settlements, and take disciplinary action as appropriate. The Board has worked with its investigative staff to develop specific disciplinary guidelines in order to mete out consistent and effective sanctions when violations occur. During the Board's previous sunset audit, it was recommended that the Board review their Disciplinary Guidelines annually.

The Board Disciplinary Guidelines were reviewed at the August meeting and the Board considered adding a "duty to report" category of complaint. Ms. Stovern provided draft language to include the following proposed sanctions for "failure to report" issues:

- Failure to report incompetent or negligent practitioners, or unprofessional, sexual or other illegal conduct, to the Board. 12 AAC 40.967(19). Proposed sanction: Letter of Reprimand; Civil Fine of \$2,000-5,000; discipline to be commensurate with the severity of the violation.
- Failure to report impaired practitioners to the Board. AS 08.64.336. Proposed sanction: Letter of Reprimand; Civil Fine of \$2,000-5,000; discipline to be commensurate with the severity of the violation.
- Failure to report hospital privileges actions to the Board. 12 AAC 40.967 (20). Report must be made within 30 days of the date of the action. 12 AAC 40.967 (26). Proposed sanction: Letter of

Reprimand; Civil Fine of \$1,000; discipline regarding the practice matter per the appropriate category of complaint to be commensurate with the severity of the violation.

- Failure to report to the Board within 30 days of any criminal charges, or any disciplinary action taken by another licensing jurisdiction, health care entity, or regulatory agency. 12 AAC 40.967 (26). Proposed sanction: Letter of Reprimand; Civil Fine of \$1,000; discipline regarding the practice matter per the appropriate category of complaint to be commensurate with the severity of the violation.
- Failure to report to the Board within 30 days of any conviction of a crime referred to in AS 08.64.326(a)(4). 12 AAC 40.967 (26). Proposed sanction: Letter of Reprimand; Civil Fine of \$1,000; discipline regarding the practice matter per the appropriate category of complaint to be commensurate with the severity of the violation.
- Failure to notify the board of the location of patient records within 30 days after retiring or closing a practice. 12 AAC 40.967 (30). Proposed sanction: Non-reportable fine without censure or Reprimand (technical violation not related to the delivery of health care); Civil Fine of \$1,000 for each violation; discipline to be commensurate with the severity of the violation.

The Board also reviewed the guideline regarding failure to report a malpractice case settlement in accordance w/ AS 08.64.130 and AS 08.64.345, with the proposed sanction of Letter of Reprimand; Civil Fine of \$1,000 for each settlement not disclosed. They determined to make the following change to the proposed sanction for this category:

- First time violation - Non-reportable fine without censure or Reprimand (technical violation not related to the delivery of health care); Civil Fine of \$1,000 for each settlement not disclosed. Additional violations - Letter of Reprimand; Civil Fine of \$1,000 for each settlement not disclosed. Discipline to be commensurate with the severity of the violation.

### Review Board Policies and Procedures

The Board routinely makes determinations on various application and practice matters; those determinations are compiled by the Executive Administrator. These Board Policies and Procedures are used by Board staff to provide consistent and effective support to the Board, and information to applicants, licensees, and the public. More complex procedures are compiled as Board Guidelines, which are published on the Board's website. During the Board's previous sunset audit, it was recommended that the Board review their Policies and Procedures annually.

The Board Policies and Procedures were reviewed at the August meeting and the Board considered adding a guideline regarding applicants that have substance abuse, alcohol or impairment issues. The Board determined to implement the following guideline:

- Applicants that have a history of substance abuse or DUI charges/convictions within the past five years will be referred to the Alaska State Medical Association's Physician Health Program for evaluation and recommendation before the Board will consider the application. Applicants may also be required to appear for a full Board interview, at the discretion of the reviewing Board member.

### Agenda Item 3 Board Actions

Board investigative staff joined the meeting, including Investigators Greg Francois, July Lam, Sonia Lipker, and Chief Angela Birt.

In the Matter of Case No. 2016-000470

The Board determined to delay consideration of Case No. 2016-000470 until the afternoon session when interviewing the applicant.

In the Matter of Case No. 2014-000927

The Board reviewed a proposed consent agreement from an investigation of a physician who failed to properly treat a patient with a life threatening condition. The agreement included sanctions consistent with Board disciplinary history and guidelines, including a reprimand and fine of \$10,000. Dr. Liu noted that she would recuse herself from the vote because she was the reviewing Board member during the investigation.

**Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Millar, seconded by Dr. Humphreys, and approved unanimously, the Board entered into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing Case No. 2014-000927.**

Board staff remained for the session. The Board entered executive session at 9:47 a.m.; and went back on the record at 10:04 a.m.

**Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Millar, seconded by Dr. Humphreys, and approved by roll call vote, the Board adopted the consent agreement, Case No. 2014-000927, signed by William B. Betts, MD.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Mrs. Carlson-Yea  
Dr. Clift-Yea  
Dr. Humphreys-Yea  
Dr. Liu-Recused  
Mr. Luppen-Yea  
Ms. Millar-Yea  
Dr. Neyhart-Yea  
Dr. Roderer-Yea

The adoption order was signed by the Chair.

In the Matter of Case No. 2016-000285

The Board reviewed a proposed imposition of a civil fine agreement from an investigation of a physician who failed to disclose material information on a new license application.

**Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Millar, seconded by Mrs. Carlson, and approved by roll call vote, the Board adopted the imposition of civil fine agreement, Case No. 2016-000285, signed by Ashley G. Shaw, DO.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Dr. Clift-Yea  
Dr. Humphreys-Yea  
Dr. Liu-Yea  
Mr. Luppen-Yea

Ms. Millar-Yea  
Dr. Neyhart-Yea  
Mrs. Carlson-Yea  
Dr. Roderer-Yea

The adoption order was signed by the Chair.

In the Matter of Case No. 2015-000915

The Board reviewed a proposed license surrender from an investigation of a physician who failed to disclose disciplinary action taken by another jurisdiction.

**Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Millar, seconded by Mrs. Carlson, and approved by roll call vote, the Board adopted the license surrender agreement, Case No. 2015-000915, signed by Eric Anthony Haas, MD.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Dr. Humphreys-Yea  
Dr. Liu-Yea  
Mr. Luppen-Yea  
Ms. Millar-Yea  
Dr. Neyhart-Yea  
Mrs. Carlson-Yea  
Dr. Clift-Yea  
Dr. Roderer-Yea

The adoption order was signed by the Chair.

In the Matter of Case No. 2016-000677

The Board reviewed a proposed imposition of a civil fine agreement from an investigation of a physician who failed to disclose material information on a new license application.

**Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Millar, seconded by Dr. Humphreys, and approved by roll call vote, the Board adopted the imposition of civil fine agreement, Case No. 2016-000677, signed by Karen Garcia, DO.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Dr. Liu-Yea  
Mr. Luppen-Yea  
Ms. Millar-Yea  
Dr. Neyhart-Yea  
Mrs. Carlson-Yea  
Dr. Humphreys-Yea  
Dr. Clift-Yea  
Dr. Roderer-Yea

The adoption order was signed by the Chair.

In the Matter of Case No. 2015-002213

The Board reviewed a proposed imposition of a civil fine agreement from an investigation of a physician who failed to disclose material information on a new license application.

**Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Millar, seconded by Dr. Humphreys, and approved by roll call vote, the Board adopted the imposition of civil fine, Case No. 2015-002213, signed by Charlie Dorn Smith, MD.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Mr. Luppen-Yea  
Ms. Millar-Yea  
Dr. Neyhart-Yea  
Mrs. Carlson-Yea  
Dr. Humphreys-Yea  
Dr. Clift-Yea  
Dr. Liu-Yea  
Dr. Roderer-Yea

The adoption order was signed by the Chair.

**Agenda Item 4      Investigative Unit**

Investigative Report

Chief Birt reviewed the investigative report provided to the Board.

Probation Report

A current probation monitoring report was included in the board packet for further review.

Investigative staff departed/disconnected from the meeting.

**Agenda Item 5      Hearing Officer Proposed Decision**

In the Matter of Mahmood Ahmad, MD

OAH Case #16-0514-MED, Board Case #2015-002049

The Proposed Decision, along with the Division's Proposal for Action, were included in the Board packet for review, as provided by the Hearing Officer.

The following visitors joined the meeting: Deputy Chief Administrative Law Judge Christopher Kennedy, Administrative Law Judge Cheryl Mandala, and Alex Marban (representing the Alaska Dispatch News.)

**Upon a motion duly made by Mrs. Carlson, seconded by Dr. Neyhart, and approved unanimously, the Board entered into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) for the purpose of discussing the hearing officer matter.**

The Board entered executive session at 10:50 a.m.; ALJ Kennedy and Ms. Stovern remained for the session (all others departed or disconnected from the teleconference.) The Board went back on the record at 11:33 a.m.

It was noted for the record that Dr. Roderer departed from the meeting for the Board deliberation during executive session.

**Upon a motion duly made by Mrs. Carlson, seconded by Dr. Humphreys, and approved by roll call vote, the Board rejected the proposed surrender of physician license, Case No. 2015-002049.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Ms. Millar-Yea  
Dr. Neyhart-Yea  
Mrs. Carlson-Yea  
Dr. Humphreys-Yea  
Dr. Clift-Yea  
Dr. Liu-Yea  
Mr. Luppen-Yea  
Dr. Roderer-Recused

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Humphreys, seconded by Dr. Neyhart, and approved unanimously, the Board entered into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) for the purpose of discussing the proposed decision by the hearing officer.**

The Board entered executive session at 11:36 a.m.; ALJ Mandala and Ms. Stovern remained for the session (all others departed/disconnected from the meeting, including Dr. Roderer.) The Board went back on the record at 12:03 p.m.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Humphreys, seconded by Ms. Millar, and approved by roll call vote, the Board adopted the proposed decision presented by the Hearing Officer, Case No. OAH 16-0514-MED, upholding the summary suspension of the license of Dr. Ahmad.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Dr. Neyhart-Yea  
Mrs. Carlson-Yea  
Dr. Humphreys-Yea  
Dr. Clift-Yea  
Dr. Liu-Yea  
Mr. Luppen-Yea  
Ms. Millar-Yea  
Dr. Roderer-Recused

The adoption order was signed by the Board secretary.

### **Recess for lunch**

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:05 p.m.  
The Board went back on the record at 1:05 p.m.

Board members present onsite:

Cam Carlson, Public Member  
Brück A. Clift, MD  
Craig Humphreys, MD  
Kathleen Millar, Public Member  
Joy M. Neyhart, DO  
Grant T. Roderer, MD

Board members present by teleconference:

Sai-Ling Liu, DO  
Kevin Luppen, PA-C

Board staff present on-site: Debora Stovern, Executive Administrator

There were no visitors present.

### **Agenda Item 6 Malpractice Report Review**

The Board reviewed malpractice reports, Case No. 1JU-14-707CI, Case No.3PA-12-01099CI, and Case No.3KN-14-01091CI.

**Upon a motion duly made by Mrs. Carlson, seconded by Ms. Millar, and approved unanimously, the Board accepted malpractice reports, Case No. 1JU-14-707CI, Case No. 3PA-12-01099CI, and Case No. 3KN-14-01091CI, with no further action at this time.**

### **Agenda Item 7 Full Board Interviews**

As part of the application process, a full Board interview is required when there is information that needs to be further discussed and/or explained.

**Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Millar, seconded by Dr. Neyhart, and approved unanimously, the Board entered into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing the applications recommended for Board interviews.**

Board staff remained for the session. The Board entered executive session at 1:25 p.m.; and went back on the record at 1:37 p.m.



Molly Hutsinpillar, MD

Dr. Hutsinpillar was present to discuss her license reinstatement application with the Board.

**Upon a motion duly made by Mrs. Carlson, seconded by Dr. Humphreys, and approved unanimously, the Board entered into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing the application of Dr. Hutsinpillar.**

Board staff remained for the session. The Board entered executive session at 1:40 p.m.; and went back on the record at 1:55 p.m. Dr. Neyhart noted that she would recuse herself from the vote because she knows the respondent.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Neyhart, seconded by Dr. Humphreys, and approved by roll call vote, the Board granted a license to Molly Hutsinpillar, MD, subject to the nondisciplinary consent agreement signed by Dr. Hutsinpillar.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Mrs. Carlson-Yea  
Dr. Humphreys-Yea  
Dr. Clift-Yea  
Dr. Liu-Yea  
Mr. Luppen-Yea  
Ms. Millar-Yea  
Dr. Neyhart-Recused  
Dr. Roderer-Yea

The Board reviewed the consent agreement regarding Dr. Hutsinpillar's previous impairment issues and license actions and restrictions by other state Boards. The agreement included conditions consistent with Board disciplinary history and guidelines, including a five-year probation, requirement for counseling/therapy, reports to the Board, restrictions on remote practice, etc. Dr. Neyhart noted that she would recuse herself from the vote because she knows the respondent.

**Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Luppen, seconded by Ms. Millar, and approved by roll call vote, the Board adopted the nondisciplinary consent agreement, Case No. 2016-000470, signed by Molly Hutsinpillar, MD.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Dr. Clift-Yea  
Dr. Liu-Yea  
Mr. Luppen-Yea  
Ms. Millar-Yea  
Dr. Neyhart-Recused  
Mrs. Carlson-Yea  
Dr. Humphreys-Yea  
Dr. Roderer-Yea

The adoption order was signed by the Chair.

C. Mark Alder, M.D.

Dr. Alder was present to discuss his license application with the Board.

**Upon a motion duly made by Mrs. Carlson, seconded by Dr. Humphreys, and approved unanimously, the Board entered into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing the application of Dr. Alder.**

Board staff remained for the session. The Board entered executive session at 2:00 p.m.; and went back on the record at 2:10 p.m.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Humphreys, seconded by Dr. Clift, and approved unanimously, the Board granted an unrestricted license to C. Mark Alder, MD.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Dr. Humphreys-Yea  
Dr. Clift-Yea  
Dr. Liu-Yea  
Mr. Luppen-Yea  
Ms. Millar-Yea  
Dr. Neyhart-Yea  
Mrs. Carlson-Yea  
Dr. Roderer-Yea

Lorn Scott Miller, M.D.

Dr. Miller was present to discuss his license application with the Board.

**Upon a motion duly made by Mrs. Carlson, seconded by Dr. Clift, and approved unanimously, the Board entered into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing the application of Dr. Miller.**

Board staff remained for the session. The Board entered executive session at 2:15 p.m.; and went back on the record at 2:32 p.m.

**Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Millar, seconded by Dr. Clift, and approved unanimously, the Board granted an unrestricted license to Lorn Scott Miller, MD.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Dr. Liu-Yea  
Mr. Luppen-Yea  
Ms. Millar-Yea  
Dr. Neyhart-Yea  
Mrs. Carlson-Yea  
Dr. Humphreys-Yea  
Dr. Clift-Yea  
Dr. Roderer-Yea

Patrick D. Rudersdorf, MD

Dr. Rudersdorf was unable to attend; his interview will be rescheduled for a future meeting.

**Agenda Item 8 Board Review of Requests/Issues**

In the matter of Herbert Ortiz Bote, MD

The Board reviewed a request from Dr. Bote to allow additional time to complete the education required under his consent agreement adopted by the Board on May 5, 2016. Dr. Humphreys noted that he would recuse himself from the vote because he knows the licensee.

**Upon a motion duly made by Mrs. Carlson, seconded by Dr. Clift, and by roll call vote, the Board adopted the proposed order to modify the consent agreement for Dr. Bote, Case No. 2015-001299, as presented.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Mr. Luppen-Yea  
Ms. Millar-Yea  
Dr. Neyhart-Yea  
Mrs. Carlson-Yea  
Dr. Humphreys-Recused  
Dr. Clift-Yea  
Dr. Liu-Yea  
Dr. Roderer-Yea

The order was signed by the Chair.

In the matter of Samuel H. Schurig, DO

The Board reviewed a request from Dr. Schurig to clarify the conditions of his consent agreement.

**Upon a motion duly made by Mrs. Carlson, seconded by Dr. Clift, and approved unanimously, the Board entered into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing the request to clarify the conditions of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for Dr. Schurig, Case No. 2802-07-005.**

Board staff remained for the session. The Board entered executive session at 3:15 p.m.; and went back on the record at 3:25 p.m.

The Board declined to consider the request regarding Dr. Schurig and the conditions of his MOA, pending further information.

In the matter of Hyon Ja Joo, DO

The Board reviewed a petition from Dr. Joo to accept one year of his active duty military service as a general medical officer to meet the postgraduate training requirement to qualify for a license.

**Upon a motion duly made by Mrs. Carlson, seconded by Dr. Clift, and by roll call vote, the Board Approved one year of Dr. Joo's active duty military service as a general medical**

**officer as meeting the second year of postgraduate training required to qualify for an Alaska physician licensure, under the provisions of Professional Regulations 12 AAC 40.022**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Ms. Millar-Yea  
Dr. Neyhart-Yea  
Mrs. Carlson-Yea  
Dr. Humphreys-Recused  
Dr. Clift-Yea  
Dr. Liu-Yea  
Mr. Luppen-Yea  
Dr. Roderer-Yea

**Agenda Item            Public Comment Forum**

There were no members of the public present to speak with the Board.

**Agenda Item 9            Statute/Regulation Updates**

The following Division staff joined the meeting for the Statute/Regulation Updates: Dawn Hannasch, Division Licensing Supervisor.

**Pending regulation projects:**

Delegation to CMAs: The Board had previously adopted regulations setting standards for delegation of routine duties to unlicensed assistive personnel. Upon review by the Department of Law, it had been determined that a statute change is required in order to allow such delegation of routine duties. The Board has requested assistance from Senator Olsen and the Alaska State Medical Association to initiate a statute change. The Board will consider re-adopting the regulations once the legislation is enacted.

**Approved Regulation Projects:**

The Board had previously adopted regulations changes regarding reporting requirements and tribal health program exemptions. Ms. Stovern reported that the regulations were approved by the Department of Law, with technical edits, and submitted to the Office of the Lieutenant Governor for filing. The regulations will be effective 30 days after filing.

**Legislative information**

Legislative guidance information from the Division was included in the Board packet for further review:

**Pending legislation**

At the May 2016 meeting, the Board reviewed the recently-enacted Senate Bill (SB) 74 related to Medicaid reform, which includes telemedicine provision of SB 98/ HB 278, a Division registry of telemedicine businesses, the PDMP provisions of SB 166, along with other provisions. The Board had reviewed a draft implementation document prepared by the Division.

The Board again reviewed SB 74 and the Division implementation guide, particularly the following sections related to the Medical Board.

- 1) Medical Board Telemedicine Regulations, including practice standards. The Board reviewed draft regulations, and requested guidance from the Office of the Attorney General, for review at their next meeting.
- 2) Report to Legislature on pain medications – jointly prepared by the Medical, Optometry, Dental, Nursing, and Pharmacy Boards to include recommended guidelines for the prescription of schedule II controlled substances listed under federal law. (Due by January 1, 2017.)

Board reviewed the “Guideline for Prescribing Opioids for Chronic Pain” published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the “Model Policy on the Use of Opioid Analgesics in the Treatment of Chronic Pain” published by the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB), and the Board’s own “Guideline Regarding Prescribing Controlled Substances.” It was noted that these guidelines (and particularly the CDC guidelines) are based on solid research and experience.

The Board determined their position to include favoring appropriate prescribing and reducing over-prescribing, and practice in accordance with the CDC, FSMB, and Board guidelines. The Board also decided to update their guidelines to include the CDC Guidelines as one of the referenced practice standards.

The Board designated Dr. Roderer as their representative in creating the Legislative report, which should be based on the CDC guideline.

- 3) New Medical Board staff, including 1 examiner and 1 investigator. (Fiscal note/ Budget effective July 1, 2016.) This is a Division requirement; the Medical Board will make a recommendation, and ask for a briefing on the status.
- 4) PDMP requirements – primarily a Pharmacy Board matter; however, the following sections relate to the Medical Board:
  - Pharmacists/practitioners who prescribe, administer, dispense schedule II,III, or IV must register with PDMP (AS 17.30.200(o))
  - Boards must adopt regulations requiring registration with the PDMP (5, 10-12, AS 08.64.101(7)); may discipline non-registrants (27)
  - Drug schedule changes to II, III, IV (21)

The Board reviewed draft regulations, and requested guidance from the Office of the Attorney General, for review at their next meeting.

- 5) PDMP registration fees – allows the department to set fees for PDMP registration. (Effective September 1, 2016). This is a Division requirement; the Medical Board may want to make a recommendation, and ask for a briefing on the status.
- 6) A new telemedicine business registry – requires the Division to establish a telemedicine business registry. (Effective June 21, 2016.) This is a Division requirement; the Medical Board may want to make a recommendation, review the draft regs, and ask for a briefing on the status. Ms.

Stovern reported that the Division work on a design as a “license type” is underway and that regulations have been drafted.

- 7) Sunset provision – allows for all changes made by SB74 to AS 17.30.200, except retaining only Schedule II, III, or IV controlled substances under federal law, to revert to previous statute if SB74 sunsets; effective January 1, 2021. Requires legislative action; no action is required by the Division or boards.

The Board recessed at 4:25 p.m.

### Friday, August 5, 2016

#### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Grant T. Roderer, MD, Chair, at 9:15 a.m.

#### Roll Call

Board members present onsite:

Cam Carlson, Public Member  
Brück A. Clift, MD  
Kathleen Millar, Public Member  
Joy M. Neyhart, DO  
Grant T. Roderer, MD

Board members present by teleconference:

Sai-Ling Liu, DO

Board members Craig Humphreys, MD, and Kevin Luppen, PA-C, were not able to attend the meeting.

Board staff present on site: Debora Stovern, Executive Administrator

There were no visitors present.

#### Agenda item 10 Full Board Interviews:

As part of the application process, a full Board interview is required when there is information that needs to be further discussed and/or explained.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Neyhart, seconded by Ms. Millar, and approved unanimously, the Board entered into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing the applications recommended for Board interviews.**

Board staff remained for the session. The Board entered executive session at 9:20 a.m.; and went back on the record at 9:30 a.m.

Silvia Maria Corzo, PA-C

Ms. Corzo was unable to attend; her interview will be rescheduled for a future meeting.

Lisa Rouse, MD

Dr. Rouse was present to discuss her license application with the Board.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Neyhart, seconded by Mrs. Carlson, and approved unanimously, the Board entered into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing the application of Dr. Rouse.**

Board staff remained for the session. The Board entered executive session at 9:33 a.m.; and went back on the record at 9:45 a.m.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Liu, seconded by Dr. Clift, and approved by roll call vote, the Board granted an unrestricted license to Lisa Rouse, MD.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Mrs. Carlson-Yea  
Dr. Humphreys-Absent  
Dr. Clift-Yea  
Dr. Liu-Yea  
Mr. Luppen-Absent  
Ms. Millar-Yea  
Dr. Neyhart-Yea  
Dr. Roderer-Yea

Mark D. Mitchell, MD

Dr. Mitchell was present to discuss his license application with the Board.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Neyhart, seconded by Dr. Clift and approved unanimously, the Board entered into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing the application of Dr. Mitchell.**

Board staff remained for the session. The Board entered executive session at 9:50 a.m.; and went back on the record at 9:58 a.m.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Liu, seconded by Ms. Millar, and approved by roll call vote, the Board granted an unrestricted license to Mark D. Mitchell, MD.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Dr. Clift-Yea  
Dr. Liu-Yea  
Mr. Luppen-Absent

Ms. Millar-Yea  
Dr. Neyhart-Yea  
Mrs. Carlson-Yea  
Dr. Humphreys-Absent  
Dr. Roderer-Yea

### **Agenda Item 11      Division Update**

The following Department staff joined the meeting to discuss Board and Division matters: Sara Chambers, Division Operations Manager; Dawn Hannasch, Division Licensing Supervisor; Chris Hladick, Department Commissioner, Fred Parody, Department Deputy Commissioner. The following visitor joined the meeting to hear the update on the Process Improvement Plan: Theo Hunt, staff for Professional Growth Systems (facilitator for Department Strategic Planning.)

- Ms. Chambers provided legislative updates and discussed Division implementation plans for SB 74 (Medicaid reform) and discussed the State fiscal issues and impact on Board travel.
- Commissioner Hladick provided an update on the Department Strategic Planning Initiative, which includes streamlining and improving Division processes.
- Ms. Hannasch provided an overview of the Medical Board application process, including the current process and recommended improvements to include office efficiencies, procedural changes, improved electronic capabilities, revised application document requirements, revised temporary permit requirements, revised approval process, and staffing changes.

All visitors departed/disconnected from the meeting,

The Board noted their support for office and procedural change and improved electronic capabilities. They determined to further consider recommendations regarding any larger program changes, application and licensing requirements, approval process, etc.

### **Agenda Item 3      Board Actions (continued)**

In the Matter of Case No. 2015-002049

**Upon a motion duly made by Mrs. Carlson, seconded by Ms. Millar, and approved unanimously, the Board entered into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) and Alaska Constitutional Right to Privacy Provisions, for the purpose of discussing disciplinary matters.**

Board staff remained for the session. Dr. Roderer departed from the meeting during executive session. The Board entered executive session at 11:52 a.m.; and went back on the record at 12:02 p.m.

In the Matter of Case No. 2016-000674

The Board reviewed a proposed imposition of a civil fine agreement from an investigation of a physician who failed to disclose material information on a license renewal application.



**Upon a motion duly made by Mrs. Carlson, seconded by Dr. Clift, and approved by roll call vote, the Board adopted the imposition of civil fine agreement, Case No. 2016-000674, signed by Bilal Chaudhry, MD.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

Dr. Humphreys-Absent  
Dr. Liu-Yea  
Mr. Luppen-Absent  
Ms. Millar-Yea  
Dr. Neyhart-Yea  
Dr. Clift-Yea  
Mrs. Carlson-Yea  
Dr. Roderer-Yea

The adoption order was signed by the Chair.

**Agenda Item 12                      New Business**

There was no new business for consideration.

**Agenda Item 13                      Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) updates**

The next annual meeting of the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) is scheduled for April 20-22, 2017 in Fort Worth, Texas. The Board directed Ms. Stovern to attend the meeting, along with Dr. Liu, as their voting delegate. Ms. Stovern will research the availability of public member scholarship funding; if available, Mrs. Carlson may also attend.

The following additional FSMB items were included in the Board packet for further review:

- 1) Highlights from Board of Directors meetings
- 2) News from Interstate Medical Licensure Compact
- 3) Report on 2016 AMA Annual meeting
- 4) Summary of Tri-Regulator symposium
- 5) Update on USMLE examinations
- 6) Notice of national series on physician sexual misconduct
- 7) Model Guidelines for the Recommendation of Marijuana in Patient Care
- 8) FSMB 2015 Annual Report
- 9) Journal of Medical Regulation (current edition)
- 10) E-news (May - July editions)

### **Agenda Item 13      Correspondences**

The following correspondence was included in the Board packet for review:

- 1) Southcentral Foundation inquiry re: detox drug classification – the Board determined that no response was necessary.
- 2) American Medical Association (AMA) news briefs, initiatives, advocacy updates
- 3) American Osteopathic Association (AOA) news releases
- 4) National Board of Osteopathic Examiners (NBOME) updates, newsletter
- 5) American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA) position on recommended changes to MOC
- 6) International Association of Medical Regulatory Authorities (IAMRA) newsletter, national/international meeting notices
- 7) International Conference on Opioids (ICOO) highlights of meeting
- 8) Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) updates and resources
- 9) State of Reform news briefs
- 10) Center for Telehealth (CTel) news briefs
- 11) American Telemedicine Association (ATA) news briefs

### **Agenda Item 15      Administrative Businesses**

#### **Financial Report**

The following Board financial reports were included in the Board packet for review:

- Current Report (3rd quarter of FY 2016)
- Year-end Report FY 2015
- Division Annual Fiscal Report (FY14)

It was noted that the Year-end report for FY 2016 is not yet available; the following detailed information regarding indirect expenditures was provided

- CBPL Indirect Allocation Methodology
- FY 2015 Indirect Allocation Table
- FY 2015 Indirect Expenditures by Account Code

The Board also noted their need for clarification on Board and Division budgeting:

- Was the travel budget cut by the Legislature for the current fiscal year?
- If so, what will happen to surplus money due to travel restrictions?
- What budget will be proposed for Legislative consideration for the next fiscal year?

### **Recess for lunch**

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:20 p.m.  
The Board went back on the record at 1:05 p.m.

Board members present onsite:

Cam Carlson, Public Member  
Brück A. Clift, MD  
Kathleen Millar, Public Member  
Joy M. Neyhart, DO  
Grant T. Roderer, MD

Board members present on teleconference: Sai-Ling Liu, DO

Board members Craig Humphreys, MD, and Kevin Luppen, PA-C, were not able to attend the meeting.

Board staff present on site: Debora Stovern, Executive Administrator

There were no visitors present.

### **Agenda Item 15 Administrative Businesses (continued)**

#### **Executive Administrator's Report**

The Executive Administrator's Report was included in the Board packet for review, including updates on the following:

- Outreach efforts – Ms. Stovern responded to inquiries regarding application timeframe, and requests for expedited processing; she responded to inquiries regarding the Board's position on legislative proposals (telemedicine, interstate compact, opioid abuse, experimental drugs, etc.); she spoke at the Alaska State Medical Association (ASMA) Board of Trustees meeting regarding Board issues and priorities; and she responded to AIM inquiries/polls by other state boards.
- Participation in activities of national organizations – Ms. Stovern participated in the Administrators in Medicine (AIM) committee to plan and present the 2016 certification/education program for Medical board executives; she completed work with FSMB to launch the Uniform Application; she attended FSMB webinars (topics included exams, uniform application); she attended American Telemedicine Association (ATA) videocasts (topics included status of proposed telemedicine legislation, state policy developments, healthcare reform, and the impact of telemedicine efforts); and she attended CTel webinars re: telehealth and e-health issues.
- Tracking of Board actions – a report of the Board's recent actions was provided for Board review.

- Tracking of licensing process - statistics and a detailed spreadsheet covering processing of recent applications was provided for Board review.
- Status of CME Audit – Ms. Stovern has been completing the audit of continuing medical education (CME) for the December 2014 renewals; she has reviewed the audit responses for approval and will refer noncompliant audits to Division paralegal for action. She also has begun preparations for the upcoming December 2016 renewal.
- Status of regulations projects – Ms. Stovern is working on educational materials and tracking for the recently adopted reporting requirement for tribal health program; she will continue to request assistance from the Alaska State Medical Association and interested legislators for assistance with statutory authority for delegation of routine duties; she is working with the Board on draft regulations and guidelines for the implementation of SB 74; and she is working with the Board on research and information for the Legislative Report on Opioid Prescribing.
- Board Policies and Procedures – Ms. Stovern continues to update the Board website as needed; she is working on updates and revisions to the applications forms; she continues to revise and update the Board policies and procedures as changes are made; she updates and distributes the orientation manual to new Board members; she worked with Department management on strategic planning for licensing process improvement; and she regularly attends Division meetings regarding fiscal restrictions, travel and hiring changes, records retention, policies and procedures, legislative updates, and Medical Board matters.

#### Review Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes of their last meeting.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Clift, seconded by Mrs. Carlson, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the minutes of the May 5-6, 2016 meeting.**

#### Meeting Scheduling

The Board confirmed the schedule for upcoming meetings:

- November 3-4, 2016 in Anchorage
- February 2-3, 2017 in Anchorage
- May 4-5, 2017 in Anchorage
- August 3-4, 2017 in Anchorage
- November 2-3, 2017 in Anchorage

Although the Board has traditionally held meetings in as many geographical areas of the state as possible to facilitate access by the public, they noted the need to be fiscally responsible with travel costs. However, it is essential that the Board regularly meet in person to conduct complex business and address multiple topics, which is problematic by teleconference. During the period of travel restrictions, the Board will conduct their meetings in Anchorage, which will reduce travel costs significantly.

Dr. Roderer will work with Ms. Stovern to compile Board feedback to justify the Board's request for travel approval for in-person attendance at their May meeting.

Dr. Liu departed/disconnected from the meeting at 1:35 p.m. It was noted that there remained a quorum to conduct business.

**Agenda Item 12 License Application Review**

Board members reviewed license application files. The Board declined to consider the application of Kimberly Ann Jedlicka, MD, Douglas Blane Russell, PA-C, and MICP Joseph Charles Oshea, pending further information.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Clift, seconded by Mrs. Carlson, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the following applicants for licensure in Alaska subject to an agreement adopted by the Board on August 4, 2016:**

*Ashley G. Shaw, DO  
Karen Garcia, DO  
Charlie Dorn Smith, MD*

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Clift, seconded by Mrs. Carlson, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the following physicians for licensure in Alaska, pending completion of their application files:**

*Jeselle Elaine-Marie Albert  
Kellie Lynn Arviso  
Sarabijt Kaur Atwal  
Bonita Kay Baker  
Neyton Baltodano  
Penelope Darrell Barnes  
Zachary Wayne Bear  
Marta Ann Beaubien  
Steven Arthur Becker  
Peter Thomas Bosch  
Dorlyne Michelle Brchan  
Reid Douglas Breckwoldt  
Kimberly Brown Brockenbrough  
Thomas Vincent Brogan  
Rima Marie Butler  
Christopher Ross Calvert  
Michael Edward Carley  
Jeffery Lejay Chen  
Hannah Lim Chung  
Julie Conyers  
Amy Rith Crowder  
Lila Maureen Day  
Carlos Dibble*

*Kristin Lynn Eastman  
Kenneth James Egli  
Diane Elizabeth Ellis  
Edwin Marshall Eppler  
Jay Flynn  
Mariam Garuba  
Anatoly Goltser  
Adam Kristopher Graham  
Reimou Sybrecht Groen  
Richard James Hallock  
Melinda Marie Hansen  
Adam Ross Hecht  
Daniel James Hibbard  
Catherine Kim Hompesch  
Hannu Tapio Huhdanpaa  
Rowan John William Hurrell  
Badreldin Ibrahim  
Melodie Kayoka Isgro  
Angela Jacobs  
Amit Chandravadan Kansara  
Muhammad Sohaib Karim  
Haider Ali Khadim  
Renda Kay Knapp*

*Steven Lee Kristal  
Anne Marie Larson  
Rick Kerwin Lasher  
Dann Joseph Laudermich  
Sarah Winter Lindley  
Elizabeth Little  
Timothy James Low  
Theodore Jon Lowenkopf  
Jason Lue  
Ashley Rae Lundgren-Strum  
Thomas Malpass  
Molly Robinson Mathews  
Veronica Jeanne Matthews  
Bethany Michelle McClenathan  
Rodney Moore McMillin  
Kirsten Alexandra Menn  
Ravi Menon  
Daniel Fonzari Mindlin  
Sara Blanch Mostad  
David Anthony Mucci  
Mimi Nguyen  
George Nitui Ntui-Ayuk  
Caitlin Amanda Oksienik  
Mihaela Onciu  
Sherifat Ajibke Ope-Adenuga  
Corey Seth Orton  
Marius Gabrielus Pakalniskis  
John Daniel Parr  
Jennifer Kay Pary  
Ben Eugene Paxton  
Kyle John Pohl  
Alan Goodale Pratt  
Harold Wayne Prow*

*Douglas John Redosh  
Michael Frank Reidy  
Andrew David Rontal  
Alvaro Enrique Rosales  
Luis Rosario  
Christopher Alexander Rozelle  
Tomoko Rie Sampson  
Biggya Locan Sapkota  
Paul Richard Schriever  
Jennifer Ann Scoble  
Matthew Andrew Serna  
Young Sug Song  
Leslie Alexander St Royal  
Robie Renato Sterling  
Kristen Mitchell Stille  
Debora Surette  
David William Talbott  
Karyn Lyn Tapley  
Mallory Rose Taylor  
Cheddhi Thomas  
Marcus Guy Tomberlin  
Jodie Elizabeth Totten  
Erlan Serichzhanuly Toulegenov  
Daniel Louis Toweill  
Abraham Matthew Tsigonis  
Mark Alan Tuckfelt  
Bruce Michio Watanabe  
Michelle Cameron Wellborn  
David Samuel Wenger  
Mark Emerson Wilcox  
Amanda Marie Wonnacott  
Benjamin Lingshaw Yam  
Lisa Ann Yanase*

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Clift, seconded by Mrs. Carlson, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the following osteopathic physicians for licensure in Alaska, pending completion of their application files:**

*Maysun Nuha Ali  
Shauma Marie Basener  
Alicia Erin Bennett  
Michael Alan Brooks  
Nicholas Cosentino  
Ryan Michael Decort  
Gregory John Ferez  
William Forsythe  
Paul Aaron Garrett*

*Zachary Alexander Gibson  
Paula Jean Godfrey  
Owen Wood Hanley  
Anne Forbes Hanley  
Katherine Holley  
Kevin Jensen  
Mary Johanna Joy  
Rose Nichole Laignel  
Jane Margaret Larouche*

*John Henry Lunetta  
Tamar Marcotte  
Gary Ian Molk  
Malisa Josephine Moss*

*Ralph Edward Nussbaum  
Nisha Narendra Patel  
Kathryn Ryan  
Daniel Richard Stypula*

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Clift, seconded by Mrs. Carlson, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the following podiatrist for licensure in Alaska, pending completion of the application file:**

*Christopher Scott Jetter*

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Clift, seconded by Mrs. Carlson, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the following physician assistants for licensure in Alaska, pending completion of their application files:**

*Patrick Douglas Cording  
Christian Angelo Cruz  
Catherine Dudley  
Eric Matthew Johnson  
Emily Kay Johnston  
Jeremy Loving  
Patrick Machacek  
Sheila Rae Maher  
Michelle Ann Meszar*

*Megan Lynn Moser  
Katie Christie Notebaart  
Marsha Morrow Peercy  
Kara Ann Sutton  
Vicki Maree Trevino  
Tammy Sue Webb  
Thomas Raymond Weber  
Hilary Ryan Wilrett  
Benjamin Earl Thompson*

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Clift, seconded by Mrs. Carlson, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the following mobile intensive care paramedics for licensure in Alaska, pending completion of their application files:**

*Carmen Emily Cheney  
Ruth Eleanor Church  
Merlin Durhman  
George Vincent Grigas  
Seijro Apollo Heck  
Cory Robert Hutchison  
James Frederick Kilheffer*

*Christopher James Loscar  
Sunya Dupree Maxwell  
Michael Opp  
Ashley Nicole Pass  
Anne Patricia Powers  
Justin David Williams  
James Benjamin Wise*

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

/s/  
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Debora Stovern, Executive Administrator  
Alaska State Medical Board

November 4, 2016  
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Date

Approved:

/s/  
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Grant T. Roderer, MD, President  
Alaska State Medical Board

November 4, 2016  
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