

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

**STATE MEDICAL BOARD**

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
November 1-2, 2018**

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, November 1-2, 2018 in Anchorage, Alaska.

**Thursday, November 1, 2018**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Craig Humphreys, MD, Chair, at 9:05 a.m.

**Roll Call**

Board members present:

Cam Carlson, Public Member  
Brück A. Clift, MD  
Catherine Hyndman, MD  
Sai-Ling Liu, DO  
Joy M. Neyhart, DO  
Timothy Olson, PA-C (arrived at 9:10 a.m.)  
Craig Humphreys, MD

Public Member Doug Mertz was unable to attend the meeting.  
Board staff present: Debora Stovern, Executive Administrator

There were no visitors present.

- Report from safety officer – Ms. Stovern noted appropriate emergency exits and gathering location.

**Agenda Item 1      Review Agenda**

The Board reviewed the agenda. It was noted that Agenda Item 3 Hearing Office Proposal has been cancelled at the request of the Office of Administrative Hearings.

**Agenda Item 2      Board Business**

The following Board Business was addressed:

- Ethics Reporting – there were no ethics conflicts to report.
- Board Policies, Procedures, and 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. In addition, the Board has adopted regulations to implement statutory requirements regarding the registration and use of the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP), and professional standards for prescribing controlled drugs. A report from the PDMP was included in the Board packet for further review.

At the August 2018 meeting, the Board reviewed their disciplinary guidelines and approved new categories of complaint for prescribing issues related to the registration and use of the PDMP, and prescribing controlled substances, as well as “housekeeping” revisions to existing guidelines. The revised guidelines were included in the Board packet for further review.

- Discuss Licensure Compacts – the Board continues to support the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact for physician licensure. The Board supported legislation previously introduced to implement the Compact, which would create an additional pathway to licensure for the most highly qualified applicants. Although the legislation did not pass, the Board expects to support future legislation if something similar is introduced.

The Division has recently become aware of a compact for EMS personnel that includes Paramedics, EMTs, and AEMTs. The Recognition of EMS Personnel Licensure Interstate CompAct (REPLICA) is set up to allow for multi-state practice under one state license. The Board has not previously supported this type of compact, as it creates public safety concerns with jurisdiction, investigations and subpoenas, differing state scopes of practice, etc. Although REPLICA does include Paramedics, it may be more relevant to EMT personnel (regulated by DHSS). The Board determined to schedule a briefing on the REPLICA Compact at their next meeting.

- Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) Unsolicited Reports – under the provisions of the PDMP, the Pharmacy Board generates unsolicited reports for practitioners who appeared to prescribe to a patient who was at or exceeded the threshold or those where are not currently registered with the PDMP. Those reports are sent to the prescriber for their use, and a notice sent to the practitioner’s licensing Board for their information. The Board discussed whether they would like to require a response from the prescriber after each notice, or after there have been multiple notices.

The Board determined to set no requirements at this time, and to review the report at each meeting to determine if any action is required. It was also noted that the recent renewal notice included specific information about the PDMP registration requirement and the new opioid education requirements. As previously determined, the Board will be actively enforcing these requirements after the renewal.

### **Agenda Item 3      Hearing Officer Proposal**

The Hearing Officer Proposal was cancelled at the request of the Office of Administrative Hearings.

**Agenda item 4      Board Actions**

Investigators Michelle Wall-Rood, Christina Bond, Autumn Roark, and Erika Prieksat joined the meeting.

There were no proposed Board Actions for consideration.

**Agenda Item 5      Investigative Unit**

Inv. Wall-Rood presented the investigative report. Inv. Bond presented the probation report.

**Probation Matter – Case No. 2018-000178**

The Board reviewed a request from a probationer to be released from the psychotherapy counseling requirement of his consent agreement.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Hyndman, 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 Case No. 2018-000178; with Board staff remaining during the session.**

The Board entered executive session at 10:16 a.m., and went back on the record at 10:21 a.m.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Hyndman, seconded by Dr. Neyhart, and approved unanimously, the Board agreed to release Brian Iutzi, MD from the provisions of section J of his February 1, 2018 Consent Agreement; all other provisions remain as written.**

The Board Order was signed by the Chair.

**Agenda Item 6      Probation Monitoring**

**Herbert Ortiz Bote, MD**

Dr. Bote was present for his probation interview.

**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 probation matters; with Board staff and Dr. Bote remaining during the session.**

The Board entered executive session at 10:24 a.m., and went back on the record at 10:30 a.m.

**Brian Iutzi, MD**

Dr. Iutzi was present for his probation interview.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Clift , 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 probation matters; with Board staff and Dr. Ituzi remaining during the session.**

The Board entered executive session at 10:32 a.m., and went back on the record at 10:40 a.m.

Investigators departed from the meeting.

#### **Agenda Item 7 Malpractice Report Review**

The Board discussed the process for blind review of malpractice reports.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Liu, seconded by Dr. Clift, and approved unanimously, the Board accepted the malpractice reports for Case No. 16-08-2812, Case No. 0AB159442, Case No. 17-36024, Case No. 3:15-cv-00105-HRH(1), Case No. 3:15-cv-00105-HRH(2), Case No. 18-cv-0236-NS-CC, and Case No. 3AN-17-7916-CI, with no further action at this time.**

#### **Agenda Item 10 Regulations Information and Updates**

##### Pending/potential regulation projects

The Board reviewed the following draft regulations to implement recently passed legislation:

- Delegation of routine duties to unlicensed assistive personnel – the Board reviewed their previously approved draft regulations, the revised provisions related to injectable medication.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Liu, seconded by Dr. Clift, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the proposed change to 12 AAC 40.920 and 12 AAC 40.480, as presented, to go out for public comment as a regulations project.**

#### **Agenda Item 6 Probation Monitoring (continued)**

##### Brian Donaldson, MD

Dr. Donaldson was present for his probation interview. He declined the opportunity to enter into executive session. The probation monitoring report from the Investigations Unit indicated that he was in compliance with his agreement.

##### Melia Lane Lindeke (MICP)

Ms. Lindeke was present for her probation interview.

**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 probation matters; with Board staff and Ms. Lindeke remaining during the session.**

The Board entered executive session at 11:12 a.m., and went back on the record at 11:30 a.m.

Rescheduled/excused

The following licensees were allowed to reschedule their probation interviews for the February meeting:

- John Pappenheim, MD
- Kelton Oliver, MD

The following licensees were excused from probation interviews at this time:

- Peter J. Osterbauer, MD – due to pending litigation on his case.
- Christopher Jensen, MD – due to pending litigation on his case.
- Mark Beirne, MD (out of state) – due to probation on hold status
- Randy Boespflug, MD (out of state) – due to probation on hold status
- Laurence Lee, MD (out of state) – due to probation on hold status
- Eric Youngstrom, MD (out of state) – due to probation on hold status.

**Agenda Item 10 Regulations Information and Updates (continued)**

Pending/potential regulation projects

The Board reviewed the following draft regulations to implement recently passed legislation:

- Physician Assistant licensing – it was recently learned that, due to a previous renumbering in AS 08.64.380, defining the practice of medicine; the Board reviewed draft regulations to correct the citations.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Hyndman, seconded by Mr. Olson, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the proposed change to 12 AAC 40.400, as presented, to go out for public comment as a regulations project.**

- Medical licensing process – the Board reviewed their draft regulations authorizing the Executive Administrator (aka executive secretary) to grant full licenses and temporary permits to applicants meeting certain requirements, as well as authority to delegate to other Board staff (the Board Records and Licensing Supervisor) the authority to grant temporary permits to applicants meeting certain requirements.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Neyhart, seconded by Dr. Clift, and approved by a majority vote, the Board approved the proposed change to 12 AAC 40.035, 12 AAC 40.036, 12 AAC 40.038, 12 AAC 40.045, 12 AAC 40.058, 12 AAC 40.355, 12 AAC 40.405, and 12 AAC 40.910, as presented, to go out for public comment as a regulations project.**

Dr. Clift, Dr. Hyndman, Dr. Liu, Dr. Nyhart, Mr. Olson, and Dr. Humphreys voted in favor of the motion; Mrs. Carlson opposed.

- Codes of Ethics – the Board has adopted specific codes of ethics for practice by physicians, osteopaths, podiatrists, physician assistants, and mobile intensive care paramedics, and periodically reviews. The Board reviewed draft regulations to adopt an updated version of each code.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Hyndman, seconded by Dr. Liu, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the proposed change to 12 AAC 40.955, as presented, to go out for public comment as a regulations project.**

- Podiatrist residency program requirements – the licensed podiatrists who assists the Board with reviewing DPM applications for licensure (as required under AS 08.64.209), has recommended that the Board change the residency requirements for podiatry licensing. He states that DPM surgical residency programs are and have been 3-year programs for quite some time. He suggests making the change but maintain a “grandfather clause” for those who graduated prior to the change. The accrediting body, Council on Podiatric Medical Education (CPME), states that in 2011 they implemented requirements for a single three-year residency program.

The Board reviewed their draft regulations to change the residency requirements for podiatry licensing to a minimum of three years (consistent with the statutory residency requirements for physician licensing), including a “grandfather clause.”

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Hyndman, seconded by Dr. Clift, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the proposed change to 12 AAC 40.023, as presented, to go out for public comment as a regulations project.**

- Meeting requirements – in accordance with Alaska Statute 08.64.085 the Board meets at least four times a year. The meetings are scheduled for as many geographical areas of the state as possible, to be accessible to the public and the profession, and to accommodate required in-person applicant interviews. Previous Board members had recommended putting this Board policy into regulations, based on similar regulations of other Boards. The Board reviewed their draft regulations regarding meeting requirements, and noted that they would still be required to consider travel costs when scheduling their meeting dates and locations.

**Upon a motion duly made by Mrs. Carlson, seconded by Dr. Clift, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the proposed change to 12 AAC 40.905, as presented, to go out for public comment as a regulations project.**

## **Agenda Item 11 Legislative Information and Updates**

### **Guidance for Board Members**

A Division publication regarding participation in the Legislative process was included the Board packet for further review.

### Legislative Updates

There were no legislative items for review. At this time, the Board was not aware of any specific medical legislation to be proposed during the upcoming Legislative session.

### Recess for lunch

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:12 p.m.  
The Board went back on the record at 1:30 p.m.

Board members present:

Cam Carlson, Public Member  
Brück A. Clift, MD  
Catherine Hyndman, MD  
Sai-Ling Liu, DO  
Joy M. Neyhart, DO  
Timothy Olson, PA-C  
Craig Humphreys, MD

Public Member Doug Mertz, was unable to attend the meeting.  
Board staff present: Debora Stovern, Executive Administrator

### Agenda item 8 Full Board Interviews

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Hyndman, 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 interviews; with Board staff remaining during the session.**

The Board entered executive session at 1:32 p.m., and went back on the record at 1:38 p.m.

#### Thomas Ray Kulterman, MD

The interview with Dr. Kulterman was rescheduled for the Friday meeting.

#### Michael James Schlitt, MD

The interview with Dr. Schlitt was cancelled due to withdrawal of his application.

### Agenda Item Board Review of Requests/Issues

#### In the matter of Siamak Karimian, MD

The Board reviewed a request from Dr. Karimian to waive the requirement for primary source verification of his medical school education, because the school is in another country that does not have

diplomatic relations with the United States. His medical school education has previously been verified by the American Medical Association (AMA), which has been documented on his AMA profile.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Clift, seconded by Dr. Hyndman, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the request from Dr. Karimian for waiver of the requirement for verification sent directly from his medical school, under the provisions of Professional Regulations 12 AAC 40.010(g).**

#### Physician/Pharmacist Cooperative Practice Agreement

The Board reviewed a proposed Physician/Pharmacist Cooperative Practice Agreement, including protocols for comprehensive medication management and anticoagulation management, as proposed by Dr. Curtis Mortenson.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Hyndman, seconded by Dr. Clift, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the Physician-Pharmacist Cooperative Practice Agreement, as proposed by Dr. Curtis Mortenson.**

#### Agenda Item 9 Continuing Medical Education (CME) Audit

##### Audit status

Statistics for the audit from the last license renewal period were included in the board packet for further review. Ms. Stovern reported that there were 3 outstanding noncompliant audits and they are working with staff to resolve their audits.

##### Case No. 2017-000222

Marilyn Zimmerman, Division Paralegal joined the meeting by teleconference to present a proposed consent agreement with a licensee who failed to verify compliance with the continuing medical education requirements of the license renewal. The agreement provides for sanctions consistent with Board disciplinary history and guidelines, including a reprimand, fine of \$3,500 (with \$2,500 suspended), a requirement to complete the deficient coursework, and a mandatory audit for the next two licensing renewals. The licensee also requested that the Board reduce the fine specified in the agreement.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Clift seconded by Mrs. Carlson, and approved unanimously, the Board denied the request to reduce the fine, and adopted the consent agreement, Case No. 2017-000222, signed by Verner Stillner, MD.**

##### Audit Process

The Board Policies and Procedures regarding the audit process was included in the Board packet for further review.

**Agenda Item 13 License Application Review**

Information about the license application process and Board approval process was included in board packets for further review.

Board members began reviewing license application files.

**Agenda Item Public Comment Forum**

Visitors present included:

Robin Wahto, representing the Alaska Medical Assistant Society – was observing only, and did not wish to speak with the Board.

Public Comment period closed 3:30 p.m.

The Board recessed at 3:50 p.m.

**Friday, November 2, 2018**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Craig Humphreys, MD, Chair, at 9:00 a.m.

**Roll Call**

Board members present:

Cam Carlson, Public Member  
Brück A. Clift, MD  
Catherine Hyndman, MD  
Sai-Ling Liu, DO  
Joy M. Neyhart, DO  
Timothy Olson, PA-C (arrived at 9:20 a.m.)  
Craig Humphreys, MD

Public Member Doug Mertz was unable to attend the meeting.  
Board staff present: Debora Stovern, Executive Administrator

There were no visitors present.

**Agenda item 7      Full Board Interviews**

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Hyndman, 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 interviews; with Board staff remaining during the session.**

The Board entered executive session at 9:05 a.m., and went back on the record at 9:15 a.m.

**Emery Jin-toh Chang, MD**

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

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Hyndman, 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. Chang; with Board staff and Dr. Chang remaining during the session.**

The Board entered executive session at 9:20 a.m., and went back on the record at 9:23 a.m.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Liu, seconded by Dr. Neyhart, and approved unanimously, the Board granted a full unrestricted license to Emery Jin-toh Chang, MD.**

**Richard Paul Meinig, MD**

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

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Hyndman, 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. Meinig; with Board staff and Dr. Meinig remaining during the session.**

The Board entered executive session at 9:25 a.m., and went back on the record at 9:30 a.m.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Neyhart, seconded by Dr. Liu, and approved unanimously, the Board granted a full unrestricted license to Richard Paul Meinig, MD.**

**Thomas Ray Kulterman, MD**

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

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Hyndman, 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. Kulterman; with Board staff and Dr. Kulterman remaining during the session.**

The Board entered executive session at 9:32 a.m., and went back on the record at 9:39 a.m.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Hyndman, seconded by Dr. Neyhart, and approved unanimously, the Board granted a full unrestricted license to Thomas Ray Kulterman, MD.**

Buck Bania, MD

Dr. Bania 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. Bania; with Board staff and Dr. Bania remaining during the session.**

The Board entered executive session at 9:41 a.m., and went back on the record at 9:54 a.m.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Neyhart, seconded by Dr. Liu, and approved unanimously, the Board granted a full unrestricted license to Buck Bania, MD.**

The Board directed staff to issue a temporary permit to Dr. Bania today, and to process the permanent license as usual.

**Agenda Item                      Division Update**

Division staff joined the meeting by teleconference to discuss the Board's financial reports. Deputy Director Sara Chambers described the methodology for calculating indirect costs attributed to each Board or licensing program; Operations Officer Melissa Dumas and Accountant Marylene Wales reviewed the Board's Fiscal Year 2018 Year-end Report, and noted that the FY 2019 reports would be available for review at the upcoming meeting in February 2019.

Ms. Chambers also asked the Board to review the REPLICA licensing compact for paramedics. (See agenda item 2 for additional information).

**Agenda Item 13              License Application Review**

Board members reviewed license application files. They declined to consider the application of Michael Clement Hoaglin, MD, pending additional information.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Neyhart, seconded by Dr. Hyndman, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the following physicians for licensure in Alaska, pending completion of their application files (including required opioid education and correct fees):**

*Rocky Jay Adams*

*Aviva Presser Aiden*

*Shreeram Akilesh*

*Carmen Ariela Alcala*

*Glenn Leonard Alexander*

*Letizia Mariana Alto*

*Anik Janasdan Amin*

*Lisa Marie Antonio*

*Kenji Asakura*

*Maria Dei Carmen Baldasare*

*Gabriele Maria Barthlen*

*Jonathan Bass*

*Max Wayne Berry  
Anita Praful Bhansali  
Ashley Lynn Buice  
Natalie Cassell  
Victor Chen  
Doug Suh Cho  
Erin Rowley Cooley  
Daniel Shuford Crawley IV  
John William Cronin  
Amanda Sue Cuda  
Samuel Dacanay  
Maika Clement Dang  
Craig Edwards Daniels  
Paul Sumner Darby  
Bart Maurice Demaerschalk  
Laurel Helene Desnick  
Ronald F. Dixon  
Andrew John Doering  
John Patrick Dutton  
Ana Maria Echenique  
Vance Steven Felton  
Matthew Avram Frank  
David August Fredenberg  
James Brown Gilbert  
Jason Edward Grennan  
Marie Francisca Grill  
Stephanie Lynn Hansel  
Mark Oliver Hansen  
Tiffany Marie Hendricks  
Thanh Quoc Ho  
Timothy Mitchell Howard  
Elizabeth Williams Hughes  
Hirenkumar Damjibhai Italia  
Saifuddin Mansur Kasubhai  
Jared Kirkland  
Christopher Troy Koch  
Robert Edward Kraichely  
Joseph Gordon Krainin  
Laurie Lynn Kreiter  
Barbara Anne Landesman*

*Conor Gerard Loftus  
Martin Menachem Maimon  
Eric Cornelius Marshall  
Monica Marton-Popovici  
Aaron G. Matlock  
Thomas Jospeh McDonald  
Phillip Andrew McGuinness  
Wallace Blake McKinney  
Peter Michael Meis  
Brittany Ann Misercola  
Alex Shokouhi Mohseni  
Michael Patrick Moran  
Julie Ann Trouy Morgan  
Victoria Young Murdock  
Tracy Dianne Neal  
Anna Ngoc Nguyen  
Stephen Eric Odegard  
David Keith Patterson  
Ashley Joel Pilgrim  
Darin Arthur Portnoy  
Charles Baldwin Procknow  
Lucia Dei Roncalli  
Andrew Scott Ross  
Jaron Duane Ross  
James Edward Schmidt  
Irshad Ali Shakir  
Brett Wallace Sharp  
Grace Chia-Huei Shih  
Hermann T. Simo  
Eric Nathaniel Stewart  
Shawn Timothy Stone  
Steven Robert Tandberg  
Alan John Tanner  
M Jacqueline Tarsitano  
James Phillip Utz  
Isaa Vaisman  
Jane Wang  
William Michael Webster  
Dong Xiang  
David William Yandell*

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Neyhart, seconded by Dr. Liu, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the following osteopathic physicians for licensure in Alaska, pending completion of their application files(including required opioid education and correct fees):**

*Kira Nell Bendixen*

*John Anthony Fetchero*

*Shaun Patrick Jester  
Spencer Alan Nadolsky  
Brain William Newman  
Trung Nam Nguyen*

*Jerry Patrick Oliaro  
Mackenzie Kaye Rapp  
David Matthew Taylor  
Jared William Vedros*

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Neyhart, seconded by Mrs. Carlson, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the following physician assistants for licensure in Alaska, pending completion of their application files (including required opioid education and correct fees):**

*Juliana Abreu  
Kristine Lynn Beck  
Lynda Ellen Bell  
Kiira Mikelle Christianson  
Daniel G Costello  
Cristina F. Hall  
Travis L Harris  
Mark Stuart Hayward  
Paola Jetzabella Kennah  
Jo Anna Kohler*

*Kerin Anne McCormack  
William D. Mitchell  
James Randall Muntz  
Dharti Ravindrabhai Patel  
Michael William Priebe  
Alison Marie Starr  
Jonathan James Tower  
Kati Jo Tuma  
Tiffany Renee Webb  
Richard Rodd Wehling*

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Neyhart, 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 (including required opioid education and correct fees):**

*Rachel Leigh Alford  
Patrick Caplinger Bruner  
Sophie Telena Clark  
Rachel-Anne Cote  
Gary Michael Eppich  
John Robert Gardner  
Bradyn Christopher Holly*

*Thomas Daniel Hudson  
Jesse Phillip King  
Andrea-Rae Knowles  
Alexandra Nelson May  
Jennifer Luc Schaefer  
Wendy Ann Wallers*

### **New Business**

There was no new business for consideration.

### **Agenda Item 14 Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) updates**

Dr. Neyhart reported that she has been participating as a member of the Ethics and Professionalism Committees; they are discussing wellness and social media issues.

It was noted that the FSMB Annual meeting is scheduled for April 25-27, 2019 in Ft. Worth, TX. The Board directed Ms. Stovern to coordinate Board member availability and attendance at the meeting. Ms. Stovern reported that she had participated on the Administrators in Medicine (AIM) committee to plan and present the Certified Medical Board Executive (CMBE) training program in October; she also earned her CMBE recertification. One of the presentations at the program was an FSMB update regarding emerging technologies, including “blockchain” technology which may enable the use of trustless credentials verification, based on crypto-currency and e-wallet transactions.

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

- 1) Highlights from Board of Directors meeting
- 2) Annual Meeting information
  - Call for committee appointments
  - Call for nominations
  - Call for by-laws amendments
  - Call for staff fellows
  - Call for award nominations
  - First call for committee appointments
  - First call for nominations
- 3) Advocacy Information
  - Short term clinical training programs
  - News releases
- 4) News from Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Commission (IMLCC)
- 5) Journal of Medical Regulation: Wellness and Burnout News Item
- 6) International Association of Medical Regulatory Authorities (IAMRA) eNews
- 7) Invitational Summit on Artificial Intelligence in Health Care
- 8) E-news (August - October editions)

### **Agenda Item 15 Correspondence**

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

- 1) Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) reports, news
- 2) National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners (NBOME) news, exams, annual report
- 3) International Conference on Opioids (ICCOO) news
- 4) Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) information, press releases
- 5) State of Reform news
- 6) Center for Telehealth (CTel) news briefs
- 7) American Telemedicine Association (ATA) news briefs

## **Agenda Item 16 Administrative Businesses**

### **Financial Reports**

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

- Current report (3rd quarter of FY 2018)
- Year-end Report for Fiscal Year 2017
- Division Annual Fiscal Report to the Legislature for Fiscal Year 2017

In addition, the Fiscal Year 2018 Year-end report was distributed and reviewed during the Division Update agenda item.

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

The Executive Administrator's Report was included in the Board packet for review.

### **Review Minutes**

The Board reviewed the minutes of their last meetings.

**Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Hyndman, seconded by Dr. Liu, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the minutes of the August 2-3, 2018 meeting, as revised.**

**Upon a motion duly made by Mrs. Carlson, seconded by Dr. Hyndman, and approved unanimously, the Board approved the minutes of the September 4, 7, and 26, 2018 teleconference meeting, as presented.**

### **Record of mail votes since the last meeting**

None

### **Meeting Scheduling**

The Board confirmed the schedule for upcoming meetings:

- February 7-8, 2019 in Juneau
- May 9-10, 2019 in Anchorage
- August 8-9, 2019 in Anchorage
- November 7-8, 2019 in Anchorage

The Board confirmed their commitment to holding meetings in as many geographical areas of the state as possible, to be accessible to the public and the profession, and to accommodate required in-person applicant interviews. In the past the Board outreach in various communities has been informal, but they would like to plan specific organized outreach activities focused on practitioners, hospitals, patients, associations, and legislators.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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

February 8, 2019  
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Date

Approved:

/s/  
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S. Craig Humphreys, MD, President  
Alaska State Medical Board

February 8, 2019  
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Date