

1 STATE OF ALASKA  
2 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
3 DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS, AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING  
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5 STATE MEDICAL BOARD  
6 MINUTES OF MEETING  
7 Thursday, July 27, 2023  
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9 By authority of AS 08.01.070(2) and in compliance with the provisions of AS 44.62, a special meeting of  
10 the Alaska State Medical Board was held Thursday, July 27, 2023.  
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12 **1. Call to Order/ Roll Call**

13 The meeting was called to order by Chair Wein at 5:37 p.m.  
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15 **Roll Call**

16 Board members present:

17 Lydia Mielke, Public Member (Secretary)  
18 Maria Freeman, MD  
19 David Paulson, MD  
20 Richard Wein, MD (Chair)  
21 David Wilson, Public Member  
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23 Board Members absent:

24 David Barnes, DO  
25 Sara Bigelow Hood, PA  
26 Matthew Heilala, DPM  
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28 Staff present: Kendra Wardlaw, Investigator; Sonia Lipker, Investigator; Natalie Norberg, Executive  
29 Administrator  
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31 **2. Investigations Update**  
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33 **On a motion duly made by Ms. Mielke and seconded by Dr. Freeman, and approved by roll call**  
34 **vote, the Alaska State Medical Board entered executive session for the purpose of discussing matters**  
35 **under AS 44.62.310(c) involving case # 2023-000453. Investigation and Board staff, Kendra Wardlaw,**  
36 **Sonia Lipker and Natalie Norberg remained in the session and the reviewing board member abstaining**  
37 **from the session.**  
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39 Roll Call: Yeas, Dr. Freeman Ms. Mielke, Dr. Paulson, Dr. Wein, and Mr. Wilson.  
40 Absent for Vote: Dr. Barnes, Ms. Bigelow Hood, Dr. Heilala  
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42 The board entered executive session at 5:40 p.m. The board exited executive session at 6:08 p.m.  
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44 **On a motion duly made by Ms. Mielke, seconded by Dr. Paulson, and approved by roll call**  
45 **vote, the Alaska State Medical Board accepted the order for the voluntary suspension of**  
46 **license for Dr. Kent Hughes in Division Case #2023-000453.**

47 Roll Call: Yeas, Ms. Mielke, Dr. Paulson, Dr. Wein, and Mr. Wilson  
48 Abstained: Dr. Freeman  
49 Absent for Vote: Dr. Barnes, Ms. Bigelow Hood, Dr. Heilala  
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1 **6. Wrap up /Adjourn**

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The Meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 6:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

/s/ Natalie Norberg  
Natalie Norberg, Executive Administrator  
Alaska State Medical Board

08/18/2023  
Date

Approved:

/s/ Richard Wein, MD  
Richard Wein, MD, President  
Alaska State Medical Board

8/18/23  
Date