

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, January 16, 2025
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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, January 16, 2025.
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12 **1. Call to Order/ Roll Call**

13 The meeting was called to order by Chair Nimmo at 4:00 p.m.
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15 **Roll Call**

16 Board members present:

17 Eric Nimmo, MD, Chair
18 David Barnes, DO
19 Sarah Bigelow-Hood, Vice-Chair
20 Matt Heilala, DPM
21 Lydia Mielke, Public Member (Secretary)
22 David Paulson, MD
23 David Wilson, Public Member
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25 Absent: Brent Taylor, MD
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27 State employees present:

28 Cheryl Mandala, Administrative Law Judge; Robert Bacaj, Assistant Attorney General; Sonia Lipker, Lead
29 Investigator; Kendra Wardlaw, Lead Investigator; Jason Kaeser, Licensing Supervisor; and Natalie
30 Norberg, Executive Administrator
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32 **2. Review / Approval of Agenda**
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34 **On a motion duly made by Ms. Mielke and seconded by Ms. Bigelow-Hood, the Alaska State**
35 **Medical Board approved the agenda as presented.**
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37 Roll Call: Yeas, Dr. Barnes, Ms. Bigelow-Hood, Dr. Heilala, Ms. Mielke, Dr. Nimmo, Dr. Paulson
38 and Mr. Wilson

39 Absent: Dr. Taylor
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41 **3. Investigations Update**
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43 **On a motion duly made by Ms. Mielke and seconded by Ms. Bigelow-Hood, the Alaska State**
44 **Medical Board entered into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c)(4, for the**
45 **purpose of discussing Case#2024-000633 with Division staff remaining during the session and**
46 **the reviewing board member abstaining from the session.**
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48 The Board entered executive session at 4:05 p.m. The Board returned on the record at 4:11 p.m.
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1 **On a motion duly made by Ms. Mielke and seconded by Ms. Bigelow-Hood, the Alaska State**
2 **Medical Board voted against issuing a full license to Dr. Asad Niazi.**

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4 The Board cited in its decision concerns related to the applicant's failure to disclose pertinent
5 information on his application and a failure to cooperate in the investigative process.

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7 Roll Call: Nays, Ms. Bigelow-Hood, Dr. Heilala, Ms. Mielke, Dr. Nimmo, Dr. Paulson and Mr.
8 Wilson

9 Abstained: Dr. Barnes

10 Absent Dr. Taylor

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12 **4. Deliberative Session**

13 **On a motion duly made by Ms. Mielke and seconded by Ms. Bigelow-Hood, the Alaska State**
14 **Medical Board entered into a deliberative session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(d) solely to**
15 **make a decision concerning the Office of Administrative Hearing's decision related to**
16 **sanctions,**

17 **In the Matter of Timothy Carey,**

18 **Office of Administrative Hearings Case Number 24-0001-MED**

19 **Board Case Numbers: 2022-000262/276/436 & 20223-000119**

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21 **with all others excluded during the deliberative session.**

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23 Roll Call: Yeas, Dr. Barnes, Ms. Bigelow-Hood, Dr. Heilala, Ms. Mielke, Dr. Nimmo, Dr. Paulson
24 and Mr. Wilson

25 Absent: Dr. Taylor

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27 The Board entered the deliberative session at 4:15 p.m. The Board returned on the record at 5:59
28 p.m.

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30 It was noted that during the deliberative session, Administrative Law Judge Mandala and Robert
31 Bacaj, Assistant Attorney General, as special counsel appointed to the Board, were invited to join
32 and entered the deliberative session.

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34 **On a motion duly made by Ms. Mielke and seconded by Ms. Bigelow-Hood, the Alaska State**
35 **Medical Board in Board Case Numbers: 2022-000262/276/436 & 20223-000119, Office of**
36 **Administrative Hearings Case Number 24-0001-MED, Pursuant to AS 44.64.060(e)(3), adopted the**
37 **proposed decision with the revised following sanctions:**

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 - **Reprimand as set out in VIII (a),**
 - 39 - **A civil fine of \$15,000, with \$3,000 suspended,**
 - 40 - **A period of probation until respondent pays the fine and satisfactorily completes at least**
41 **20 hours of additional CME as described in paragraph VIII(3)(b).**

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43 Roll Call: Yeas, Dr. Barnes, Ms. Bigelow-Hood, Dr. Heilala, Ms. Mielke, Dr. Nimmo, Dr. Paulson
44 and Mr. Wilson

45 Absent: Dr. Taylor

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47 **5. Elections**

48 Chair Nimmo opened the floor for nominations for a Board Chairperson.

1 Upon a nomination by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Dr. Barnes and approved by a roll call vote, Dr.
2 Taylor was elected to be Board Chair.

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4 Roll Call: Yeas, Dr. Barnes, Ms. Bigelow-Hood, Dr. Heilala, Ms. Mielke, Dr. Paulson and Mr.
5 Wilson

6 Abstained: Dr. Nimmo

7 Absent: Dr. Taylor

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9 Dr. Paulson volunteered to be the representative for the Board to the Medical Spa Services Work Group.
10 Members of the board voiced their support and appreciation for Dr. Paulson assuming this role.

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12 **6. Wrap up / Adjourn**

13 Members of the board acknowledged and thanked Dr. Nimmo for his service.

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15 Members of the board discussed and agreed to change the previously scheduled February 14 quarterly
16 board meeting to February 21, 2025.

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18 The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 6:17 p.m.

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