State of Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing

BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

MINUTES OF THE MEETING Friday, August 21st, 2020

These are FINAL minutes prepared by the staff of the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing. These minutes have been reviewed and approved by the Board.

By authority of AS 08.01.070(2), and in compliance with the provisions of AS 44.62, Article 6, a scheduled meeting of the Board of Chiropractic Examiners was held via Videoconference on August 21st, 2020.

Friday, August 21st, 2020

Agenda Item 1

Call to Order/Roll Call

Time: 10:08 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Brian Larson, at 10:08 a.m.

Board members present, constituting a quorum:

Brian Larson, Doctor of Chiropractic Jonathan Vito, Doctor of Chiropractic James Morris, Doctor of Chiropractic

Board members not present:

John Lloyd, Doctor of Chiropractic (excused)

Division Staff present were:

Thomas Bay, Occupational Licensing Examiner Abby O'Brien, Occupational Licensing Examiner Andy Khmelev, Records and Licensing Supervisor Lacey Derr, Records and Licensing Supervisor Jasmin Bautista, Investigator Sonia Lipker, Senior Investigator Sara Chambers, Division Director (present at 11:07 a.m.) Sher Zinn, Regulations Specialist (Present at 11:15 a.m.) Dawn Dulebohn, Occupational Licensing Examiner (present at 11:15 a.m.)

Other State of Alaska staff present were:

Susan Pollard, Chief Assistant Attorney General, Department of Law (present at 11:07 a.m.) Harriet Dinegar-Milks, Senior Assistant Attorney General, Department of Law (present at 11:17 a.m.)

Board of Chiropractic Examiners Board Meeting of August 21st, 2020 Page 1 of 12 Samantha Weinstein, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Law (present at 11:07 a.m.) Adam Franklin, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Law (present at 1:45 p.m.) Amber Treston, Claims Administrator, Department of Administration (present at 11:07 a.m.)

Present from the Public:

Sheri Ryan, Chief Operating Officer, Alaska Chiropractic Society Debbie Ryan, Chief Executive Officer, Alaska Chiropractic Society Aaron Shoemaker, Doctor of Chiropractic

Agenda Item 2Review/Approve AgendaTime: 10:15 a.m.

After the roll call, chair, Dr. Larson asked the board to review the agenda.

On a motion duly made by Jonathan Vito, seconded by James Morris, and approved unanimously by a roll call, it was

RESOLVED to approve the agenda as written.

Roll call vote:

Board Member	Approve	Deny	Recuse
Dr. Brian Larson	X		
Dr. James Morris	X		
Dr. Jonathan Vito	X		

Agenda Item 3	Review/Approve Meeting Minutes	Time: 10:16 a.m.
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The board reviewed the meeting minutes from June 16th, 2020, and July 2nd, 2020.

On a motion duly made by Jonathan Vito, seconded by James Morris, and approved unanimously without any objections, it was

RESOLVED to approve the meeting minutes from the June 16th, 2020, and July 2nd, 2020, meetings as written.

Roll call vote:

Board Member	Approve	Deny	Recuse
Dr. Brian Larson	X		
Dr. James Morris	Χ		
Dr. Jonathan Vito	X		

Agenda Item 4

Board Business

Time: 10:17 a.m.

<u>Ethics Report</u> Dr. Larson addressed ethics reporting.

Board of Chiropractic Examiners Board Meeting of August 21st, 2020 Page 2 of 12 Dr. Morris disconnected from the meeting. The board did not have a quorum and paused the meeting.

Off record at 10:18 a.m.

Dr. Morris joined the meeting, constituting a quorum.

On record at 10:20 a.m.

Dr. Larson asked the board if there were any ethical violations to report, to which there were none.

Review Goals & Objectives

The board began discussion on their goals and objectives. Dr. Larson reviewed the board's goal of meeting four times annually, one of those times being in person, and asked what the likelihood of that happening in the future was. The board's licensing examiner, Thomas Bay, informed the board that it is likely that all travel is cancelled through 2020. Andy Khmelev, records and licensing supervisor for the division, clarified that all out of state travel is cancelled through January 2021 and in-state travel is still on a case by case basis, yet currently is not being approved.

Task List from May 15th, 2020, Board Meeting: Dr. Larson asked Mr. Bay to update the board • on where they were with their tasks from their last meeting. Mr. Bay addressed the tasks with the board. He began by informing the board that he still had not received the poll that Dr. Larson and Dr. Jeffrey Reinhardt, a former board member that was currently on a subcommittee to finish the task, were supposed to write, regarding an advanced practitioner status, so that he could send it to the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards (FCLB) and chiropractic specialty boards. Dr. Larson informed the board that he had been in communication with Dr. Reinhardt and that they are still working on the task. Mr. Bay continued with the task list. Mr. Bay reported that all other tasks had been completed. He informed the board that the annual report had been completed and is online. Mr. Bay also informed the board that he had updated the website in regard to the SB241 board order regarding the reduction of continuing education credits for this year's renewal. Lastly, he informed the board that the tasks regarding the EBAS exam and the state jurisprudence examination being administered nationwide through the NBCE was approved by the Department of Law (LAW) and that it was their next agenda item.

Ratify New Licenses

Having finished with the annual report the board began discussion on ratifying the new licenses for licensees who sat for and passed the May 15th, 2020, jurisprudence examination.

On a motion duly made by Jonathan Vito, seconded by James Morris, and approved unanimously by a roll call, it was

RESOLVED to ratify the licenses for Nicholas Jason, Samantha Krieg, Donald Murdoch, Sarah Testa, and Jared Young.

Roll call vote:

Board Member

Approve

Deny

Recuse

Dr. Brian Larson	X	
Dr. James Morris	X	
Dr. Jonathan Vito	Χ	

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FCLB/NBCE/CCE Updates

Time: 10:27 a.m.

Fall District Meeting

Mr. Bay informed the board that the fall district meetings were being held online via Zoom and asked the board if any member would like to attend. Dr. Larson said that he could be available if no other board member could attend. Mr. Bay said he would contact Dr. Lloyd and ask his intent regarding attendance.

On a motion duly made by Jonathan Vito, seconded by James Morris, and approved unanimously by a roll call, it was

RESOLVED to have Dr Larson and/or Dr. Lloyd attend the Wednesday, October 7th, and Thursday, October 8th, FCLB District Virtual Meetings.

Ethics and Boundaries Assessment Services (EBAS) Exam & State Jurisprudence Examination Mr. Bay reiterated that LAW had approved both the EBAS exam and the state jurisprudence examination being administered nationwide through the NBCE. He informed the board that they would need to make a motion to have the division enter into a contract with the NBCE, and that they would need to go into Executive Session to discuss specifics about the jurisprudence examination that would need to be sent to the NBCE.

On a motion duly made by Jonathan Vito, seconded by James Morris, and approved unanimously by a roll call, it was

RESOLVED to have the division enter into a contract with the NBCE so they can use the EBAS exam and administer the state jurisprudence exam nationally.

Roll call vote:

Board Member	Approve	Deny	Recuse
Dr. Brian Larson	X		
Dr. James Morris	X		
Dr. Jonathan Vito	X		

Larson entertained a motion to enter Executive Session so the board could discuss specifics about the state jurisprudence examination.

Dr. Morris disconnected from the meeting. The board did not have a quorum, and paused the meeting.

Off record at 10:35 a.m.

Dr. Morris joined the meeting, constituting a quorum.

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On record at 10:36 a.m.

Morris explained that he heard the motion and had seconded it before getting disconnected.

On a motion duly made by Jonathan Vito, seconded by James Morris, and approved unanimously by a roll call, it was

RESOLVED to 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 "matters which by law, municipal charter, or ordinance are required to be confidential." CBPL staff to remain during the session.

Roll call vote:

Board Member	Approve	Deny	Recuse
Dr. Brian Larson	Χ		
Dr. James Morris	X		
Dr. Jonathan Vito	Χ		

The board entered Executive Session at 10:38 a.m. The board left Executive Session at 11:07 a.m.

The board came out of Executive Session. Mr. Bay invited callers that were in the waiting room into the meeting.

Sara Chambers, Division Director, joined the meeting at 11:07 a.m. Susan Pollard, Chief Assistant Attorney General, Department of Law, joined the meeting at 11:07 a.m. Samantha Weinstein, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Law, joined the meeting at 11:07 a.m. Lacey Derr, Records and Licensing Supervisor, joined the meeting at 11:07 a.m. Amber Treston, Claims Administrator, Department of Administration, joined the meeting at 11:07 a.m.

Chairman Brian Larson entertained a motion regarding matters discussed in executive session.

On a motion duly made by Jonathan Vito, seconded by James Morris, and approved unanimously by a roll call, it was

RESOLVED to name the Alaska Board of Chiropractic Examiners as the committee to review the exam and questions set by the NBCE.

Roll call vote:

Board Member	Approve	Deny	Recuse
Dr. Brian Larson	X		
Dr. James Morris	X		
Dr. Jonathan Vito	X		

Agenda Item 6

Statutes and Regulations

Regulations Project

Dr. Larson provided a preamble by explaining that certain parts of a recent regulations project had been withheld at the request of the Department of Law. The parts that were withheld included the administering of nutritional substances, a definition for "nutrition or nutritional substance," and the changing of the definitions for "prescription drug" and "surgery." Dr. Larson thanked everybody who was in attendance and asked what needed to be done to get the withheld parts of the regulations project approved. Director Sara Chambers informed everybody that Dr. Larson had requested that she and Harriet Dinegar-Milks, Senior Assistant Attorney General (LAW), be in attendance to help the board with their objectives.

Harriet Dinegar-Milks, Senior Assistant Attorney General, Department of Law, joined the meeting at 11:17 a.m.

Director Chambers also informed the board that she had invited Susan Pollard, Chief Assistant Attorney General (LAW), the State of Alaska's (SOA) top regulations attorney, to help add some clarity to the process of a regulations project and provide rationale for the withdrawal of the sections of the regulations project. Ms. Pollard provided the board with an overview of her role, explaining that she does the final review of the legality of a regulations project, part of which is making sure that there is adequate statutory authority to allow a regulations project to go forward to the Lieutenant Governor's office to be filed and become law. Dr. Larson asked why the withdrawn regulations had been recommended for withdrawal, and what needed to be done to make them acceptable. Ms. Pollard informed the board that it was her understanding that this topic had previously been discussed with the board, during a meeting in December 2019, and that the discussion revolved around statutory authority, something that she believes was lacking for the regulations proposed by the board. She went on to explain that the legislature sets the scope of practice for professions, which is where she goes to find the main statutory authority when reviewing regulation proposals. Dr. Larson referred to AS 08.20.100(b)(1), which states that chiropractors, "may analyze, diagnose, or treat the chiropractic condition of a patient by chiropractic core methodology or ancillary methodology." He then referred to AS 08.20.900(1), which states, "ancillary methodology' means employing within the scope of chiropractic practice, with appropriate training and education, those methods, procedures, modalities, devices, and measures commonly used by trained and licensed health care providers and includes..." He said that many people think chiropractors are only allowed to work under the requirements of chiropractic core methodology and are ignoring a chiropractor's ability to treat the chiropractic condition of a patient by ancillary methodology. He stated that both methodologies are independent clauses and are separate from each other, and that chiropractors should be able to use certain ancillary methodologies that may not be allowed by chiropractic core methodology. Harriet Dinegar-Milks explained that ancillary methodology means employing "within the scope of chiropractic practice," and then referred to the definition of "chiropractic," which includes the treatment and prevention of the subluxation complex and the employment of physiological therapeutic procedures. She said that when she thinks of ancillary methodology, as related to a chiropractor's scope, she refers to that definition because that is where the statutory authority is derived. Director Chambers reminded the board that in their December 2019 meeting they had discussed these same issues and that their questions should be answered by the legislature. She reminded them that they had adopted a resolution to proceed with statutory changes and that the groundwork had already been laid out. She suggested that the board take advantage of the time they have now before the upcoming session, to find legislative sponsors to aid in statutory changes. Dr. Larson asked the representatives from LAW what specific wording in their statutes need to be changed in order to meet their goals. Susan Pollard informed the board that they did not need to provide sponsors with specific changes to their current statutes, but instead

Board of Chiropractic Examiners Board Meeting of August 21st, 2020 Page 6 of 12 needed to provide them with a clear policy direction. She explained that the legislature has drafters that will draft the language. Director Chambers advised the board to use the meeting minutes from the December 2019 meeting to emphasize the issues and needs of the board. She also advised them to pull their resources together to find helpful documentation that backs up their cause and that they can provide to a sponsor. She suggested the board find sponsors from both a representative and a senator, and that this route, in her experience, had been the most successful for getting bills passed in the past. She reminded Dr. Larson that he and Dr. Reinhardt had been delegated as the board's representatives for pursuing legislation, during the December 2019 meeting, and that the board Dr. Larson said that they would consider their options and thanked everybody for their advice. Mr. Bay asked Dr. Larson if he still wanted to discuss, with LAW, an inquiry regarding administering or interpreting the results of infectious disease tests required by statute or regulation.

Dr. Larson explained that there was an inquiry from a chiropractor asking whether or not chiropractors in Alaska were allowed to test for things like influenza, strep, etc. He further explained that he had accidentally provided an incomplete answer that was construed to approve of such procedures. The question was also provided to LAW. The question was derived from the following statute:

Sec. 08.20.100. Practice of chiropractic. (c) A person licensed under this chapter is not authorized to sign affidavits exempting school children from immunization requirements under AS 14.30.125 or to administer or interpret the results of infectious disease tests required by statute or regulation.

Ms. Dinegar-Milks informed the board that the general statutory scheme of chiropractic is not geared towards testing for and interpreting tests for infectious disease. She explained that the statute could be clearer and possibly amended to include such procedures if the practice of chiropractic had evolved to include that in their training, but that they would have to get the amendment done through the legislature. Dr. Larson asked if it was questionable if he was able to do certain diagnostic testing that he had been doing for some time. He said that it was his concern that the interpretation just laid out by LAW would not allow for it. Ms. Dinegar-Milks informed the board that her interpretation was only geared towards administering or interpreting the results of infectious disease tests and not other diagnostic testing. Dr. Larson informed Ms. Dinegar-Milks that chiropractors use X-rays for certain infectious disease tests. Ms. Dinegar-Milks was unaware of such procedures and suggested that maybe a regulations project could be created to address the issue, but that the issue was likely in statute. Director Chambers suggested the board add the issue to their current legislative proposals list, so the issue could be dealt at the legislative level. The board decided to add the administering and interpreting of infectious disease tests to their current legislative proposals list.

On a motion duly made by James Morris, seconded by Jonathan Vito, and approved unanimously by a roll call, it was

RESOLVED to add, to the previously agreed upon legislative proposal, 1(c), administering and interpreting infectious disease testing.

Roll call vote:

Board Member	Approve	Deny	Recuse
Dr. Brian Larson	X		

Dr. James Morris	X	
Dr. Jonathan Vito	X	

The board recessed for lunch.

Dr. Larson called recess for lunch at 12:37 p.m.

Off Record at 12:37 p.m. On Record at 1:25 p.m.

Thomas Bay, Occupational Licensing Examiner, rejoined the meeting Abby O'Brien, Occupational Licensing Examiner, rejoined the meeting Andy Khmelev, Records and Licensing Supervisor, rejoined the meeting Lacey Derr, Records and Licensing Supervisor, rejoined the meeting Jasmin Bautista, Investigator, rejoined the meeting Sheri Ryan, Chief Operating Officer, Alaska Chiropractic Society, rejoined the meeting

Back from lunch, the board decided to add Dr. Morris as a spokesman for the board regarding legislative proposals.

On a motion duly made by Jonathan Vito, seconded by James Morris, and approved unanimously by a roll call, it was

RESOLVED to have Dr. Morris be designated as a spokesman for the board and to serve as the lead in legislative proposals alongside Dr. Larson.

Roll call vote:

Board Member	Approve	Deny	Recuse
Dr. Brian Larson	X		
Dr. James Morris	X		
Dr. Jonathan Vito	X		

Agenda Item 8	Complimentary	Medicine Workgroup	Time: 1:32 p.m.
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Dr. Larson reminded the board that a complimentary medicine workgroup had been comprised of members from their board, the Board of Massage Therapists, and the State Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Board. He explained that the workgroup had been created to address COVID-19 and moving from State mandates to board guidance, something that would happen in the future once COVID-19 slowed down. He informed the board each board was trying to have at least two members attend the meetings to have adequate representation from each board. He informed the board that he had been to every meeting and that it would be nice if other board members could also attend. Dr. Vito stated that he cannot attend the meetings because he has a scheduling conflict with another meeting.

Aaron Shoemaker, Doctor of Chiropractic, rejoined the meeting at 1:36 p.m.

Board of Chiropractic Examiners Board Meeting of August 21st, 2020 Page 8 of 12 Dr. Morris explained that he had been to the first meeting and would like to attend future meetings, but that he could not attend every meeting. The board agreed that they would try to split representation at the meeting and alternate if they were unable to get two members to each meeting.

Agenda Item 9Investigative ReportTime: 1:40 p.m.

She informed the board that for the period of April 24th, 2020, thru August 5th, 2020, there were currently six open cases. She also informed the boar that she had one case for the board's consideration, and that if they wanted to talk about it they would be required to go into Executive Session. The board decided to go into Executive Session to discuss the case.

Sonia Lipker, Senior Investigator, joined the meeting at 1:45 Adam Franklin, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Law, joined the meeting at 1:45

Mr. Bay informed the board that Sonia Lipker and Adam Franklin had joined the meeting. He explained that Ms. Lipker was in attendance for the investigative report and would be in attendance during Executive Session. Mr. Bay informed Mr. Franklin that the board was about to go into Executive Session and that he would be placed into the waiting room until they were finished. Dr. Larson entertained a motion for the board to go into Executive Session.

On a motion duly made by Jonathan Vito, seconded by James Morris, and approved unanimously by a roll call, it was

RESOLVED to 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 "matters which by law, municipal charter, or ordinance are required to be confidential." CBPL staff to remain during the session.

Roll call vote:

Board Member	Approve	Deny	Recuse
Dr. Brian Larson	X		
Dr. James Morris	X		
Dr. Jonathan Vito	X		

The board entered Executive Session at 1:47 p.m. The board left Executive Session at 2:03 p.m.

The board came out of Executive Session. Mr. Bay invited callers that were in the waiting room into the meeting.

Chairman Brian Larson entertained a motion regarding matters discussed in executive session.

On a motion duly made by Jonathan Vito, seconded by James Morris, and approved unanimously by a roll call, it was

RESOLVED to adopt the Order from Case No. 2020-000587, which reads as, "The Board of Chiropractic Examiners for the State of Alaska, having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, Case No. 2020-000587, Christopher Twiford, license number CHIC439, adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.

Roll call vote:

Board Member	Approve	Deny	Recuse
Dr. Brian Larson	X		
Dr. James Morris	X		
Dr. Jonathan Vito	X		

Agenda Item 10

ACS Update

Time: 1:21 p.m.

The board began discussion on the ACS Update. Dr. Larson asked Sheri Ryan to provide the board with her update. Ms. Ryan informed the board that the ACS had launched their public rollout campaign to the chiropractic community regarding the Chiropractic Clinical Assistant certification requirement, and asked if the board would assist with notifying chiropractors statewide with a mailout. She also informed the board that the ACS just held the ACS Ready Room and will be doing three webinars that will include the CTA Program, FCLB, and the SOA, Department of Labor, and their apprenticeship program, providing an avenue for payment of the certification program for Chiropractic Clinical Assistants. She addressed an issue regarding the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) rule out, which includes a 10 percent decrease across the board on Medicare reimbursement with 7 percent reduction specific on Relative Value Units (RVU) for 9894x CMT code series. She said that this should have long reaching ramifications because all plan reimbursement is based on some kind of Medicare reimbursement. She informed the board that ChiroCongress is working on common messaging to help state associations and individual chiropractors to submit congressional level advocacy and messaging to CMS about the rule. She said that she will be providing that information through the ACS once she has it. She also informed the board that there has been another increase with Aetna SOA plan denials, including again retiree denials and E/M plus adjustment same day denials. Lastly, Ms. Ryan informed the board that NBCE Part IV testing had been cancelled and/or rescheduled multiple times and it is affecting candidates for licensure nationwide. She asked if the board had seen this affecting Alaska candidates for licensure. Mr. Bay reminded the board that one candidate had reached out in late April/early May because her Part IV exam was postponed and that it would likely keep her from getting all of her required documents in for the next state jurisprudence examination deadline. He also reminded the board that, at the time, and to his recollection it was still the same, boarded programs were only allowed to have one emergency regulations project during the pandemic. The board, he explained, spoke briefly on the topic and decided not to move forward with an emergency regulations project because there was only one person this had affected and they wanted to have that option if something dire came up before the end of the pandemic. Dr. Larson acknowledged that there was not enough need at the time for an emergency regulations project, and that the board had not heard from any other candidates, so it was the board's understanding that it was not greatly affecting Alaska candidates for licensure. He went back to Ms. Ryan's question of whether or not the board would assist with notifying chiropractors statewide about the Chiropractic Clinical Assistant certification requirement. Ms. Ryan said that the ACS would normally not be asking for the assistance, but because they did not have their annual convention due to COVID-19 they did not have the funds to fully address the issue. Dr. Larson asked

Board of Chiropractic Examiners Board Meeting of August 21st, 2020 Page 10 of 12 Mr. Bay if they could put something on the website or do a mailout. Mr. Bay said that he did not know if they could, but he would look into it. He suggested the board make a motion in case they could. Dr. Larson entertained a motion to notice the Chiropractic Clinical Assistant certification requirement.

On a motion duly made by Jonathan Vito, seconded by James Morris, and approved unanimously by a roll call, it was

RESOLVED to make all chiropractors aware of the Certified Chiropractic Clinical Assistant deadline on February 23rd, 2021, via mailout and/or posting of it on the board's webpage.

Roll call vote:

Board Member	Approve	Deny	Recuse
Dr. Brian Larson	X		
Dr. James Morris	X		
Dr. Jonathan Vito	X		

Agenda Item 11	Public Comment/Correspondence	Time: 2:16 p.m.

Dr. Larson opened public comment and asked if there was anybody on the videoconference line. Dr. Aaron Shoemaker informed the board that he was in attendance for public comment. Dr. Larson asked Dr. Shoemaker to begin with his public comment. Dr. Shoemaker informed the board that he did not agree with the current state of the COVID-19 pandemic and expressed his frustration with health mandates and having to follow certain protocols. He also expressed his frustration with being able to speak with the board. Mr. Bay informed Dr. Shoemaker that he is welcome to provide public comment either by email or directly to the board during public comment at a meeting, but that any kind of correspondence would be required to be taken up at a meeting. Dr. Larson informed Dr. Shoemaker that the governor is working hard to get everybody back to their normal everyday lives. The board moved to written correspondence that was received.

Mr. Bay informed the board that he had been reached out to by McGuff Medical Products, a medical drug distributor in California, and that they had requested board authorization so that an Alaska chiropractor can purchase injectable solutions and/or devices. The board discussed the issue. Dr. Larson explained that their board in the past has opined that injectable nutrients and substances that are not required by prescription are within the scope of practice for chiropractors. He reminded the board that their legal counsel does not support that stance. He asked the board if they were comfortable with replying that they need to wait until the statute is consistent with the intent of the board, as recommended by LAW, before they can provide board authorization. Dr. Morris suggested the board tread lightly after their conversation earlier with LAW and not provide authorization until they go through the process that Dr. Larson just explained. Dr. Vito agreed.

On a motion duly made by Jonathan Vito, seconded by James Morris, and approved unanimously by a roll call, it was

RESOLVED to respond to the inquiry with the board's decision as discussed in this meeting.

Roll call vote:

Board Member	Approve Deny Recuse
Dr. Brian Larson	X
Dr. James Morris	X
Dr. Jonathan Vito	X

Agenda Item 12

Administrative Business

Time: 2:44 p.m.

Set Meeting Dates

The board confirmed a hard date of November 13th, 2020, for their next board meeting. They also confirmed a tentative date for February 12th, 2021, for their following meeting.

Dr. Larson suggested the board get ready for the issues surrounding their statute, in order to get ready for the upcoming legislature. Specifically, he suggested the board discuss the possibility of trying to get the definition of chiropractic core methodology amended. He asked their opinions. Dr. Morris said that he had to get going, but that his opinion was that he would rather not change that definition, but that he was amenable to adding additional language so that they represent the whole constituent base. Mr. Bay reminded the board that Dr. Larson and Dr. Morris had been motioned as the representatives of the board in pursuing legislation and could continue this discussion amongst themselves. If need be, he also suggested the board could get a teleconference together to bring Dr. Vito in on the conversation.

Agenda Item 13

Adjourn

Time: 2:53 p.m.

Having nothing left to address, the Alaska Board of Chiropractic Examiners' Chair, Brian Larson, adjourned the meeting at 2:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Tracy Wiard

Tracy Wiard Licensing Examiner Date

12/14/2020

Approved by: Dr. Brian Larson

Alaska State Board of Chiropractic Examiners