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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 3, 2021

A posted public meeting of the Massachusetts Board of Registration of Chiropractors (the Board) was held remotely by telephone or by videoconference as an alternate means of public access pursuant to an Executive Order issued by the Governor of Massachusetts dated March 12, 2020 suspending certain provisions of the open meeting law.

Dr. Shilts noted a quorum of members present and called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Kirk Shilts, Chair
Dr. Glen Dodes, Vice Chair
Dr. Candace Maddalo, Secretary
Ms. Barbara Bush, Public Member
Dr. Daniel Fanselow, Member
Dr. Gabriel Freedman, Member

STAFF PRESENT (at various times)

Matthew Keigan, Board Executive Director
Charles Kilb, Esq, Board Legal Counsel
Allan VanTassel, Office of Investigations
Ellen D'Agostino, Office of Investigations
Isabel Fortino, Legal Intern

CHAIRMAN MESSAGE

Dr. Shilts reminded the Board about a chiropractor who passed away recently, and the family contacted the DPL for advice on what to do with the records. He disclosed that he found a chiropractor on behalf of the family to take possession of the records.

Dr. Shilts informed the Board that the State of Emergency is planned to be lifted in just over a week; however, healthcare settings, community housing, schools and public transportation are expected to continue the mask requirement.

Dr. Shilts said our "approval" of the agenda will change to "setting" the agenda which is more consistent with Robert's Rules.

AGENDA

Dr. Shilts reviewed the posted agenda with the Board. No new business matters were proposed.
Dr. Maddalo MOVED to set the agenda, as posted, seconded by Ms. Bush and VOTED (roll call);
members in favor: Dodes, Maddalo, Bush, Fanselow, Freedman & Shilts
members opposed: none

CONFLICT of INTEREST and OPEN MEETING LAW REMINDER

Atty. Kilb gave a brief overview of The Commonwealth's Conflict of Interest and Open Meeting Laws. He also discussed when Board members should recuse themselves from Board discussions or votes.

Atty. Kilb said after the State of Emergency is over on June 15th, the Open Meeting Law will require our meetings to return in person at the DPL for August unless otherwise notified.

BOARD ELECTIONS

Dr. Shilts opened the floor for nominations for Board Chair for the 2021/22 term. Dr. Freedman nominated Dr. Dodes. No other nominations were offered.

Dr. Maddalo MOVED to elect Dr. Dodes Board Chair, seconded by Dr. Shilts and VOTED (roll call);
members in favor: Dodes, Maddalo, Bush, Fanselow, Freedman & Shilts
members opposed: none

Dr. Shilts opened the floor for nominations for Board Vice-Chair for the 2021/22 term. Dr. Freedman nominated Dr. Fanselow. No other nominations were offered.

Dr. Maddalo MOVED to elect Dr. Fanselow Board Vice-Chair, seconded by Dr. Shilts and VOTED (roll call);
members in favor: Dodes, Maddalo, Bush, Fanselow, Freedman & Shilts
members opposed: none

Dr. Shilts opened the floor for nominations for Board Secretary for the 2021/22 term. Dr. Maddalo nominated Dr. Shilts. No other nominations were offered.

Dr. Maddalo MOVED to elect Dr. Shilts Board Secretary, seconded by Dr. Shilts and VOTED (roll call);
members in favor: Dodes, Maddalo, Bush, Fanselow, Freedman & Shilts
members opposed: none

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

May 6, 2021

Dr. Maddalo MOVED to approve the public meeting minutes of May 6, 2021, 2021 as drafted, seconded by Ms. Bush and VOTED (roll call);

members in favor: Dodes, Maddalo, Bush, Fanselow, Freedman & Shilts
members opposed: none

LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

Atty. Kilb said that Governor Baker is planning to file Article 87 legislation, which is a reorganization bill that would transfer the chiropractic board and other health-related boards from the DPL to the Department of Public Health. He said if it does happen, the bill can only reorganize the executive branch - and the Board would still retain the statutory authority it has now.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

- **Discount and Payment Plans Policy Guideline, Proposed Update**

The Board discussed proposed changes offered by Dr. Shilts.

Thereafter, discussion to continue in the future.

- **Policy Guide on Compliance Plans**

Mr. Keigan said the guide is now on the DPL web site.

Dr. Freedman recused herself from the following item and left the meeting

COMPLIANCE MONITORING

2019-001379-IT-ENF

The Board reviewed applications for a compliance monitor in this case.

- *Discount and Payment Plans Policy Guideline, proposed update 6/3/21*
- *Compliance monitoring applications for 2019-001379-IT-ENF*

**** The above minutes were approved during open meeting of the Board held on August 5, 2021***