COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN NATUROPATHY 250 Washington Street Boston, MA 02108

Thursday, July 24, 2025 VIA ZOOM MEETINGS 10:00 AM

GENERAL SESSION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

(Open Session)

BOARD MEMEBERS Dr. Paul Herscu, ND, MPH, Naturopathic Doctor 1, Chair

PRESENT: Dr. Anne Frances Hardy, ND, LAC, Naturopathic Doctor 2, Vice-Chair

Dr. Mattia Migliore, PhD, RPH, Clinical Pharmacologist, Secretary

Ms. Christina Bain, Public Member

STAFF PRESENT: Ms. Kayla Mikalauskis | Executive Director, Multi-Boards 2

Ms. Tracy Tam | Executive Director, Multi-Boards 1

Ms. Tracy Ottina | Board Counsel | Office of the General Counsel Ms. Alexandra Datalo | Program Coordinator, Multi-Boards

I. CALL TO ORDER | DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

At 10:01 AM Dr. Paul Herscu, Board Chair, called the General Session meeting to order. Dr. Herscu reminded board members that the meeting was being recorded and asked for a roll call vote to determine quorum. Roll call as follows: Dr. Paul Herscu: present; Dr. Anne Frances Hardy: present; Dr. Mattia Migliore: present.

Ms. Christina Bain joined the meeting at 10:02 AM

II. APPROVAL OF GENERAL SESSION AGENDA

Discussion: The Board reviewed the July 24, 2025, General Session Agenda.

Action:

Motion to approve the agenda as written was made by Dr. Anne Frances Hardy, seconded by Dr. Mattia Migliore, and passed by roll call vote as follows: Dr. Paul Herscu: yes; Dr. Anne Frances Hardy: yes; Dr. Mattia Migliore: yes; Ms. Christina Bain: yes.

Document: July 24, 2025, General Session Agenda

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Discussion: The Board reviewed the drafted May 22, 2025, General Session Minutes.

Action:

Motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Dr. Anne Frances Hardy, seconded by Dr. Mattia Migliore and passed by roll call vote as follows: Dr. Paul Herscu: yes; Dr. Anne Frances Hardy: yes; Dr. Mattia Migliore: yes; Ms. Christina Bain: yes.

Document: May 22, 2025, General Session Minutes

IV. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO BUREAU STAFF ACTION POLICY 17 – 03

Discussion:

Ms. Mikalauskis stated 17-03 Petition for Retirement Status, Bureau Staff Action Policy, authorizes Board staff to act on the Board's behalf to grant a licensee's petition to change his or her license status to "Retired," provided that the following criteria are met: the licensee has completed, signed and submitted a request form, the licensee is not the subject of any pending complaint or investigation before the Board, and the licensee's existing license status is "Current" or "Expired."

Dr. Migliore asked if a license can be reinstated after being changed to retired status? Ms. Mikalauskis stated once a license number is retired, the license cannot be reinstated.

Ms. Ottina stated retired status may be given to a licensee who has exhibited cognitive impairment as a compassionate and dignified way to end one's career.

Action:

Motion to approve 17 – 03 Petition for Retirement Status, Bureau Staff Action Policy within the Board of Registration in Naturopathy was made by Dr. Mattia Migliore, seconded by Dr. Paul Herscu, and passed by roll call vote as follows: Dr. Paul Herscu: yes; Dr. Anne Frances Hardy: yes; Dr. Mattia Migliore: yes; Ms. Christina Bain: yes.

Document: 17 – 03 Petition for Retirement Status, Bureau Staff Action Policy

V. <u>FLEX SESSION</u>

Discussion:

Dr. Herscu asked for attendance at the next board meeting scheduled for September 25, 2025? All board members confirmed their attendance.

VII. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

At 10:10 AM, motion to adjourn the July 24, 2025, General Session meeting was made by Dr. Paul Herscu, seconded by Dr. Anne Frances Hardy, and passed by roll call vote as follows: Dr. Paul Herscu: yes; Dr. Anne Frances Hardy: yes; Dr. Mattia Migliore: yes; Ms. Christina Bain: yes.

Let the records show the meeting adjourned at 10:10 AM.

The next meeting of the Board of Registration in Naturopathy is scheduled for September 25, 2025, at 10:00 AM via ZOOM Meetings.

Respectfully submitted by: The Board of Registration in Naturopathy