

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN NATUROPATHY**

**THIS AGENDA CONSTITUTES NOTICE OF THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED
MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN NATUROPATHY
IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETING LAW, M.G.L. c. 30A, § 20**

**Tuesday, March 22, 2022
1:00 p.m.**

General Session will be held via Webex at:

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All Votes Must Be Via Roll Call

AGENDA

Time	Item #	Item	Documents	Staff Contact
1:00 p.m.	I	Call to Order Determination of Quorum Notice of Electronic Recording		Board Chair
	II	Conflict of Interest / Approval of Agenda	Draft Agenda	Board
	III	Approval of Minutes: January 25, 2022 General Session Minutes	Draft Minutes	Board
	IV	Flex Session A. Naturopathy Licensing Applications B. Board Appointments C. Topics for next agenda		Executive Director/ Chair
	V	Adjournment: Next Board Meeting Scheduled for April 26, 2022		Board Chair

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BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF NATUROPATHY BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, March 22, 2022
VIA WebEx

(Open Session)
MINUTES

Board Members Present: Paul Herscu, ND, MPH, Naturopathic Doctor 1, Chair
Mattia Migliore, PhD, RPH, Clinical Pharmacologist, Secretary
Christina Bain, Public Member

Board Members Not Present: Anne Frances Hardy, ND, L.Ac, Naturopathic Doctor 2, Vice-Chair

Staff Present: Steven Joubert, Executive Director, Multi-Boards, BHPL
Karen Geoghegan, Assistant Executive Director, Multi-Boards, BHPL
Heather Engman, Board Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, DPH
Patricia Young, Office Support Specialist, Multi-Boards, BHPL
Laura Bongiorno, Office Support Specialist, Multi-Boards, BHPL

I. Call to Order

Board Chair, Dr. Paul Herscu, welcomed everyone to the meeting and called the meeting to order at 1:02 P.M. and reminded everyone that the meeting was being recorded. A quorum of the Board was determined with members present via WebEx as follows: Paul Herscu: present; Christina Bain: present; Mattia Migliore: present. Absent: Anne Frances Hardy.

II. Review of the Agenda & Conflict of Interest

Dr. Herscu asked the Board if there were any conflicts of interest in the agenda, and there were none.

DISCUSSION:

Ms. Bain explained that because she is a new board member, she needed time to get acclimated. She said that she was also not aware that her a state email account was involved in the process. She has that she had not reviewed agenda and as a result she did not know if she has conflict of interest with any matters on the agenda. She promised to review the agenda in the future. Dr. Herscu explained that since they are still in the process of beginning licensing it is unlikely, she will have a conflict as they are not reviewing any cases and are instead discussing plans moving forward.

ACTION:

Inadvertently, a vote was not taken on the agenda. A vote on the approval of the March 22, 2022 will be taken at the next scheduled meeting.

Document: March 22, 2022 Board Meeting Agenda

III. Approval of Minutes

Dr. Herscu asked that the Board members review the minutes from the January 25, 2022 meeting for any edits.

DISCUSSION:

Dr. Bain said that she did not review the minutes, nor was she present at the last meeting. She said that she will abstain on the approval of the January 25, 2022 meeting minutes.

ACTION:

Dr. Migliore made a motion to approve the January 25, 2022 minutes with changes, seconded by Dr. Herscu. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: Paul Herscu: yes; Mattia Migliore: yes. Absent: Anne Frances Hardy. Abstained: Christina Bain; Opposed: None; Recused: None.

Document: January 25, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

IV. Flex Session

A. Announcements:

Dr. Herscu asked Board Staff if there was an update on the naturopathy licensing application. Mr. Joubert explained that Board staff have designed the application in coordination with the licensing division and it is in beta testing. Samples will be uploaded to e-GOV. Once the regulations are finalized there will be a date set to start receiving applications.

In regard to Board vacancies Mr. Joubert reintroduced Ms. Bain and allowed her to give a brief description of her experience and what brought her to this board.

Dr. Herscu asked for an update on the finalization of the rules and regulations. Board Counsel, Heather Engman, answered that the application fees are in the final stages of approval from the Executive Office of Administration and Finance. Once the fees are approved, DPH will be able to promulgate the underlying licensure regulations, along with the fee regulations. Once that happens Board staff will be able to start accepting applications and issuing licenses. Dr. Herscu asked for clarification if this could be completed by next meeting. Ms. Engman stated that there was a good chance.

Dr. Herscu also mentioned that the National Board of Naturopathy will need the link to the Board's website application so that applicants may access the Massachusetts Board resources from their page. Mr. Joubert said that once the regulations are promulgated, he will reach out to every Board member to let know them and to the National Board to give them the link.

B. Topics for Next Agenda

None.

V. Adjournment

There being no other business before the Board, at 1:20 P.M. Dr. Hardy moved to adjourn the meeting, which Dr. Migliore seconded. The vote carried unanimously by roll call vote as follows: Paul Herscu: yes; Christina Bain: yes; Mattia Migliore: yes. Absent: Anne Frances Hardy. Abstained: None; Opposed: None; Recused: None.

The next meeting of the Board of Registration in Naturopathy is scheduled for Tuesday, April 26, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

The Board of Registration in Naturopathy