**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Department of Public Health**

**Board of Registration of Chiropractors**

**Public Meeting Minutes**

**December 1, 2022**

## A public meeting of the Massachusetts Board of Registration of Chiropractors (the Board) was held remotely with video and audio conference as an alternate means of public access pursuant to Chapter 107 of the Acts of 2022, An Act Relative to Extending Certain State of Emergency Accommodations, signed into law on July 16, 2022.

Dr. Jolly noted a quorum of members present via video or phone and called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dr. Sunit Jolly, Chair

Dr. Joseph Grosso, Vice Chair

Dr. Jaclyn Debs, Secretary

Ms. Barbara Bush, Public Member

Dr. Abbey Denaro, Member

Dr. Mary Connors, Member

Dr. Kathleen O’Malley, Member

**STAFF** **PRESENT (at various times)**

Lisa Guglietta, Board Executive Director

Eboni Lewis, Board Associate Executive Director

Sheila York, Esq., Board Counsel

Lauren McShane, Investigative Supervisor

Ellen D’Agostino, Investigator

Julie Brady, Esq., Prosecutions

**ATTENDANCE:**

Dr. Jolly took attendance by roll call and a quorum of board members was recorded with the following members present via video conference:  *Jolly, Debs, Bush, Grosso, Denaro, Connors, O’Malley.*

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

A motion was made by Dr. O’Malley, seconded by Dr. Grosso and VOTED (roll call);

**to approve the December 1, 2022 agenda.**

*in-favor: Jolly, Debs, Bush, Grosso, Denaro, Connors, O’Malley*

*opposed: none*

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST and OPEN MEETING REQUIREMENTS**

Atty. York reviewed Conflict of Interest and Open Meeting Law requirements with the Board. Members should contact Atty. York with questions about possible conflicts with applicants, petitioners, or cases before the Board. Please bring these matters to Atty. York’s attention before the meeting if possible.

**PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES**

The Board discussed the draft public meeting minutes of 11/3/22.

Thereafter, a motion was made by Dr. Grosso, seconded by Dr. O’Malley and VOTED (roll call);

**to approve the public meeting minutes of November 3, 2022 as drafted.**

*in-favor: Jolly, Debs, Bush, Grosso, Denaro, Connors, O’Malley*

*opposed: none*

**2023 BOARD MEETING DATES**

The Board reviewed the meeting dates for 2023.

Thereafter, a motion was made by Dr. Denaro, seconded by Ms. Bush and VOTED (roll call);

**to approve the 2023 Board Meeting dates as presented.**

*in-favor: Jolly, Debs, Bush, Grosso, Denaro, Connors, O’Malley*

*opposed: none*

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

**MOVEit replacing Interchange for file transfer**

MOVEit will replace Interchange as file transfer platform starting January 23, 2023.

**PACE Trainings**

Several board members need access to complete PACE Trainings.

**Webex Meeting Platform**

Webex will replace Microsoft Teams as the platform for virtual board meetings in the near future and meetings will be recorded.

**COMPLIANCE MONITORING**

A motion was made by Ms. Bush, seconded by Dr. Connors and VOTED (roll call);

To accept Dr. Kevin Harrington’s Corrective Action Plan with the stipulation that the Board’s acceptance of a Corrective Action Plan does not constitute specific approval of any forms referenced in the plan.

*in-favor: Jolly, Debs, Bush, Grosso, Denaro, Connors, O’Malley*

*opposed: none*

**REACTIVATION APPLICATION**

Julia Patz (Fischel) CHI2461 Expired 3/31/2006. The licensee provided proof of 180 CEUs from 4/1/2005 to current and passed the jurisprudence exam.

A motion was made by Dr. Denaro, seconded by Dr. Grosso and VOTED (roll call);

**To approve Dr. Patz’s license reactivation application.**

*in-favor: Jolly, Debs, Bush, Grosso, Denaro, Connors, O’Malley*

*opposed: none*

**NEW BUSINESS**

*None*

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

*None*

**CLOSED SESSION**

At 10:15 a.m. a motion was made by Dr. Jolly **to end the public session and go into Executive Session pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(7)** **to protect the confidentiality of medical information and an individual’s right to privacy in compliance with M.G.L. c. 4, s. 7, para. 26(c) and M.G.L. c. 214, s. 1B) to be followed by a Closed Session per G.L. c. 112, § 65C to conduct investigative conferences***,* seconded by Dr. Grosso and VOTED (roll call). The motion passed as follows:

*In favor: Jolly, Debs, Bush, Grosso, Denaro, Connors, O’Malley*

*Opposed: none*

*The Chair announced that public session would not resume after the closed session.*

**NEW AND OPEN CASES**

The Board took the following actions during closed session:

**Investigative Conferences:** **[Closed Session: G.L. c. 112, § 65C]**

* *Inspection process – The Board discussed inspections with BHPL Investigations staff.*
* *2022-000651-IT-ENF Dismissed without prejudice.*
* *2022-000785-IT-ENF Dismissed without prejudice.*
* *2021-000474-IT-ENF Dismiss without prejudice with advisory.*
* *2022-000802-IT-ENF Dismiss without prejudice with advisory.*
* *2021-000849-IT-ENF Dismiss without prejudice.*
* *2022-000593-IT-ENF Dismiss without prejudice.*
* *2022-000134-IT-ENF Gave direction to Board staff.*
* *2022-000296-IT-ENF Gave direction to Board staff.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at the conclusion of closed session at 12:55p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jaclyn Debs, D.C., Secretary

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**Documents used by the Board during open session:**

* *Posted agenda 12/1/22*
* *Draft public meeting minutes of 11/3/22*
* *2023 Board Meeting Dates*
* *Dr. K. Harrington Corrective Action Plan*
* *Dr. J. Patz Reactivation Application*