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

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.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

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

Respectfully submitted,

Jaclyn Debs, D.C., Secretary Board of Registration of Chiropractors

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