

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Bureau of Health Professions Licensure  
Board of Registration of Chiropractors  
250 Washington Street  
Boston, MA 02108**

**Public Meeting Minutes**

**June 6, 2024**

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.

The Executive Director, Lisa Guglietta, informed the attendees that the meeting was being recorded.

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

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dr. Joseph Grosso, Chair  
Dr. Jaclyn Debs, Vice Chair  
Dr. Mary Connors, Secretary  
Dr. Abbey Denaro, Member  
Ms. Barbara Bush, Public Member

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Dr. Kathleen O'Malley  
Dr. Sunit Jolly

**STAFF PRESENT**

Lisa Guglietta, Board Executive Director  
Katie Goldrick, Board Associate Executive Director  
Sheila York, Esq., Board Counsel

**ATTENDANCE:**

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

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Dr. Grosso asked for a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Thereafter a motion was made by Dr. Debs, seconded by Ms. Bush and VOTED (roll call); **to approve the June 6, 2024 agenda as drafted.**

*in-favor: Debs, Connors, Bush, Grosso, Denaro*

*opposed: none*

### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND OPEN MEETING LAW 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 5/2/24.

Thereafter a motion was made by Dr. Denaro, seconded by Dr. Debs and VOTED (roll call); **to approve the public meeting minutes of May 2, 2024 as drafted.**

*in-favor: Bush, Connors, Debs, Grosso, Denaro*

*opposed: none*

### **REACTIVATION APPLICATION**

CHIRA100021 - Dr. Michelle Star, License CHI3385

The Board discussed the license reactivation application. Thereafter a motion was made by Dr. Debs, seconded by Dr. Denaro and VOTED (roll call); **to accept the reactivation application.**

*in-favor: Bush, Connors, Debs, Grosso, Denaro*

*opposed: none*

### **COMPLIANCE MONITORING**

Dr. Thomas Sullivan, License CHI385, requested removal of the probation status of his license. Board staff informed the Board that Dr. Sullivan had complied with his probation terms. The Board discussed his petition. Thereafter a motion was made by Dr. Grosso, seconded by Dr. Connors and VOTED (roll call); **to approve the change of Dr. Sullivan's license status from probation to active.**

*in-favor: Bush, Connors, Debs, Grosso, Denaro.*

*opposed: none*

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Tracey Lane from the Massachusetts Chiropractic Society requested policy information and a retirement timeline for chiropractors. She was seeking guidance from the Board because chiropractors frequently call Mass Chiro with questions about retirement protocols. Tracey Lane was unable to attend the meeting at this time to provide further details. Board members discussed the request and agreed to consider creating a best practice guideline for retirement. Thereafter the Board gave direction to staff to put this topic on the agenda for a future meeting.

### **MASS CHIROPRACTIC SOCIETY**

Tracey Lane was unavailable at this time during the meeting to provide an update.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

At 10:12 a.m. the Chair requested a motion to end the public session and go into closed session.

Thereafter a motion was made by Dr. Debs seconded by Dr. Denaro and VOTED (roll call); **to end the public session and go into Closed Session per G.L. c. 112, § 65C for the purpose of reviewing cases in investigative conference.** The motion passed as follows:

*in-favor: Connors, Bush, Grosso, Debs, Denaro*

*opposed: none*

### **NEW AND OPEN CASES**

The Board took the following actions during closed session:

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

- *Docket Number CHR-2023-0009 – Dismissed with Advisory*

### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 10:24 a.m. a motion was made by Dr. Denaro, seconded by Dr. Debs and VOTED (roll call); **to end the closed session.**

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*in-favor: Connors, Bush, Grosso, Debs, Denaro*

*opposed: none*

Respectfully submitted,

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Mary M. Connors, D.C., Secretary  
Board of Registration of Chiropractors

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

- *Posted agenda 06/06/2024*
- *Draft public meeting minutes of 05/02/2024*
- *Reactivation Application – Dr. Michelle Starr*
- *Email request to remove probation – Dr. Thomas Sullivan*
- *Email correspondence – Tracey Lane of Mass Chiropractic Society*