

**Board of Registration of Podiatry**  
**Meeting held by video conference and phone**  
**DATE: February 13, 2024**  
**Public Session Minutes**

**A public meeting of the Massachusetts Board of Registration of Podiatry (“the Board”) was held via Videoconference and Conference Call pursuant to section 40 of chapter 2 of the acts of 2023, signed into law on March 29, 2023.**

**Board Members Present by Phone/Video:**

LeRoy Kelley, DPM Chair  
Raymond Murano, DPM Secretary  
Harry Schneider, DPM

**Admin. Staff Present by Phone/Video:**

Sheila York, Board Counsel  
Jaqueline Petrillo, Board Counsel  
Thomas Burke, Executive Director  
Margaret McKenna, Board Staff  
Christian Carl, Intern

**Board Members Not Present by Phone/Video**

Felix Martinez, PhD Public Member

**Members of the Public Present by Phone/Video:**

Mark Molloy, Esq.  
Dr. Hau T. Pham, DPM

**I. Housekeeping Matters and Evacuation Procedures**

- Roll Call for attendance:  
Dr. Kelley, the Board Chair, observing a quorum of board members conducted a roll call of board members present via phone or computer audio and opened the meeting at 10:04AM. **Dr. Murano present by video; Dr. Schneider present by video; Dr. Kelley present by audio.**

**II. Vote on Minutes:**

- November 14, 2023, Public Meeting Minutes:  
**Dr. Murano moved to accept the public minutes of the November 14, 2023 Board Meeting. Dr. Schneider seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote: Dr. Murano – “Yes”; Dr. Schneider – “Yes”; Dr. Kelley – “Yes”.**

**III. New Items:**

- **Board Chair**  
No report.
- **Executive Director, Thomas Burke’s report to the board:**

Mr. Burke announced that he attended the National Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners (NBPME) learning demonstration for the new electronic examination registration. When podiatric residents receive permission to take the Part III examination, the executive director will enter approval through the electronic system. Students and program coordinators will utilize the electronic system for Part I and II examinations.

- **Board Counsel Report**

Ms. York introduced Attorney Jacqueline Petrillo to the Podiatry Board. Ms. Petrillo will serve as incoming board counsel for future meetings. Ms. Petrillo introduced herself to the Board. The Board welcomed Ms. Petrillo and offered their gratitude to Ms. York for her many years of work as board counsel.

**IV. Correspondence:**

- Federation of Podiatric Medical Boards (FPMB) letter inviting board members to serve on the board of directors. Read and filed.

**V. Board Discussion:**

- Massachusetts Foot & Ankle Society letter relative to continuing education hours for podiatrists

Attorney Mark Molloy of Cascade Strategies on behalf of the Massachusetts Foot and Ankle Society (MFAS) addressed the Board regarding the letter submitted by Dr. Frank Campo, DPM relative to continuing medical education requirements for podiatrists in Massachusetts. Mr. Molloy cited the statutory requirement in Massachusetts General Laws ch. 112; §16 that requires podiatrists to complete no less than fifteen hours in the year preceding license renewal. Mr. Molloy pointed out that, per Dr. Campo's letter, an increase of continuing medical education to a minimum of twenty-four hours would be on par with the national average. He noted that many courses are offered at little or no cost and podiatrists often earn more than fifteen hours through attendance at conferences and seminars. He also noted that the number of continuing medical hours has been part of the discussions in committee on the Podiatric Practice Act. He thanked the Board for their consideration. Dr. Kelley and Dr. Murano questioned if a change in hours would be necessary. Dr. Schneider stated that an increase in hours would benefit podiatrists if the scope of practice is amended. The Board tabled further discussion to a subsequent meeting.

- Board review of letter of agreement and amendment to accept Morton Hospital as clinical setting for podiatric residents – VOTE

Mr. Burke presented a request to add Morton Hospital as a new clinical setting for incoming podiatric residents. The program coordinator at Kent Hospital stated that the request is due to an increase in applicants, and the addition of Morton Hospital would allow more

residents to work in Massachusetts. Currently, Kent Hospital assigns residents to the Southern New England Southern Surgery Center and St. Anne's Hospital.

**After discussion, Dr. Murano moved to approve Morton Hospital as a clinical setting for incoming podiatric residents. Dr. Schneider seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote: Dr. Murano – “Yes”; Dr. Schneider – “Yes”; Dr. Kelley – “Yes”.**

**At 10:38 a.m., Dr. Kelley made a motion, seconded by Dr. Murano, to adjourn the public meeting and to enter into closed session to conduct investigatory conference, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 112, §65C, and at the conclusion of the closed session, not return to the public meeting.**

**VI. Investigative Matters and Settlement Offers - [Closed Session Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C]:**

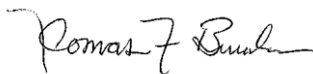
During the closed session, the Board took the following action:

- CASE-2023-0115 – Dismissed.

**VII. Adjournment**

**At 10:42 am, Dr. Kelley moved to adjourn the public meeting. Dr. Murano seconded. The motion passed by roll call vote: Dr. Murano – “Yes”; Dr. Schneider – “Yes”; Dr. Kelley – “Yes”.**

Respectfully submitted,



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Thomas F. Burke, Executive Director

**List of Documents Used at the Public Meeting:**

1. Agenda for February 13, 2024 meeting
2. Public session minutes for November 14, 2023 meeting
3. Correspondence from the Federation of Podiatric Medical Boards (FPMB)
4. Correspondence from the Massachusetts Foot & Ankle Society (MFAS)

5. Amendment to Program Letter Agreement from the residency program at Kent Hospital
6. Second amendment to Program Letter Agreement from the residency program at Kent Hospital