**Board of Registration of Podiatry**

**Meeting held by video conference and phone**

**DATE: August 14, 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**:

Jaqueline Petrillo, Board Counsel

Thomas Burke, Executive Director

Margaret McKenna, Board Staff

Isaac Badner, Board Intern

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

Felix Martinez, PhD Public Member

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

1. **Housekeeping Matters**
	* 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 12:13 PM: Dr. Murano present by audio; Dr. Schneider present by video; Dr. Kelley present by audio.

1. **Vote on Agenda:**
* August 14, 2024, Public Meeting Agenda:

**Dr. Kelley moved to accept the public agenda for the June 27, 2024 Board meeting. Dr. Murano seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote: Dr. Murano – “Yes”; Dr. Schneider – “Yes”; Dr. Kelley – “Yes.”**

1. **Discussion**
* Agreements with Massachusetts Residency Limited License Programs

The Board reviewed an amendment to program letter agreements between the Rhode Island Kent Hospital and participating hospitals and medical sites in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts at which Kent Hospital podiatric residents licensed in Massachusetts may practice under supervision. Per 239 CMR 3.01 (3) (a), an individual may complete podiatric training at facilities approved by the Board. The amendment establishes agreements with Steward – St. Anne’s Hospital and Southern New England Surgery Center in Fall River, Morton Hospital in Taunton, and Same Day SurgiClinic in Fall River. After a brief discussion, the Board took the following actions:

* Steward - St. Anne’s Hospital and Southern New England Surgery Center

**Dr. Murano moved to approve St. Anne’s Hospital and Southern New England Surgery Center for the training of podiatric residents. Dr. Schnieder seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote: Dr. Murano – “Yes”; Dr. Schneider – “Yes”; Dr. Kelley – “Yes.”**

* Morton Hospital

**Dr. Kelley moved to approve Morton Hospital for the training of podiatric residents. Dr. Murano seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote: Dr. Murano – “Yes”; Dr. Schneider – “Yes”; Dr. Kelley – “Yes.”**

* Same Day SurgiClinic

**Dr. Kelley moved to approve Same Day SurgiClinic** **for the training of podiatric residents. Dr. Schneider seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote: Dr. Murano – “Yes”; Dr. Schneider – “Yes”; Dr. Kelley – “Yes.”**

1. **Adjournment**

**Close Public Session**

**At 12:30 pm, Dr. Kelley made a motion to close the public session. Dr. Schneider seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote: Dr. Murano – “Yes”; Dr. Schneider – “Yes”; Dr. Kelley – “Yes”.**

**Executive Session**

**At 12:31 pm, Dr. Murano made a motion to enter into Executive Session as authorized pursuant to M.G.L. c.30A, § 21(a)(1) for the purpose of discussing the reputation, character, physical condition, or mental health, rather than professional competence, of an individual, or to discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges**

**brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual. Specifically, evaluate the Good Moral Character as required for registration for a pending applicant. Dr. Kelley seconded the motion. 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. August 14, 2024 Board agenda
2. Steward - St. Anne’s Hospital and Southern New England Surgery Center – Agreement
3. Morton Hospital – Agreement
4. Same Day SurgiClinic - Agreement