

Board of Registration of Podiatry
Meeting held by video conference and phone
DATE: September 10, 2024
General 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

None

I. 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 10:03AM: Dr. Murano present by audio; Dr. Schneider present by video; Dr. Kelley present by audio.

II. Board Business

- Review September 10, 2024, General Session Agenda:
Dr. Kelley moved to accept the public agenda of the September 10, 2024 Board meeting. Dr. Murano seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote: Dr. Murano – “Yes”; Dr. Schneider – “Yes”; Dr. Kelley – “Yes.”
- Review June 11, 2024, General Session Minutes:
Dr. Murano moved to accept the general session minutes of the June 11, 2024 Board Meeting. Dr. Schneider seconded. The motion passed by roll call vote: Dr. Murano – “Yes”; Dr. Schneider – “Yes”; Dr. Kelley – “Yes”.

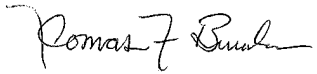
- Review June 27, 2024, General Session Minutes
Dr. Schneider moved to accept the general session minutes of the June 27, 2024 Board Meeting. Dr. Murano Seconded. The motion passed by roll call vote: Dr. Murano – “Yes”; Dr. Schneider – “Yes”; Dr. Kelley – “Yes”.
- Review August 14, 2024, General Session Minutes
Dr. Murano moved to accept the general session minutes of the August 14, 2024 Board Meeting. Dr. Schneider seconded. The motion passed by roll call vote: Dr. Murano – “Yes”; Dr. Schneider – “Yes”; Dr. Kelley – “Yes”.
- **Presentation on URAMP, alternative-to-discipline monitoring program for licensed healthcare professionals in Massachusetts**

Jonathan Dillon, Director of Policy, and other advisory committee members met with the Board to discuss implementation of the Unified Recovery and Monitoring Program (URAMP) at the Bureau of Health Professions Licensure (BHPL). Mr. Dillon explained how URAMP allows licensed professionals, when referred by licensing boards, to voluntarily enter the program as an alternative to discipline through a supervised monitoring program as they address substance use disorder (SUD) and/or mental health care recovery goals. URAMP monitors the individual’s compliance with recovery and restoration activities so that licensed professionals who successfully complete the program may return to professional practice. Upon rollout of the program, URAMP will be available to licensees of all 21 BHPL boards. Mr. Dillon asked the board members to consider specific return-to-practice conditions they would recommend for licensed podiatrists in the Commonwealth and encouraged them to discuss suitable practice conditions at subsequent board meetings.

III. Adjournment

At 10:37 a.m., Dr. Kelley moved to adjourn the general session 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. Dr. Schnieder seconded. The motion passed by roll call vote: Dr. Murano – “Yes”; Dr. Schneider – “Yes”; Dr. Kelley – “Yes”.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Thomas F. Burke".

Thomas F. Burke, Executive Director

List of Documents Used at the Public Meeting:

1. September 10, 2024 general session agenda
2. June 11, 2024 general session minutes
3. June 27, 2024 general session minutes
4. August 14, 2024 general session minutes