

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

**THIS AGENDA CONSTITUTES NOTICE OF THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED
MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS
IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETING LAW, M.G.L. c. 30A, § 20**

**Thursday, September 14, 2017
9:30 a.m.**

**239 Causeway Street ~ 4th Floor ~ Room 417 A/B
Boston, Massachusetts 02114**

AGENDA

Time	Item #	Item	Documents	Staff Contact
9:30 a.m.	I	Call to Order Determination of Quorum		Board Chair
	II	Conflict of Interest Approval of Agenda	Draft Agenda	Board Chair
	III	Approval of Minutes A. July 13, 2017, Regularly Scheduled Meeting	Draft Minutes	Board Chair
	IV	Staff Action Policy A. Sanction Hearings Policy B. Retirement Status Policy	Draft Policies	MS
	V	Board Alert A. Training: Scope of Pain	Draft Alert	MS
	VI	Board Inquiry A. Delegation of Medication Administration to Medical Assistant	E-mail Inquiry	RC
	VII	Flex Session A. Announcements Mock Board Meeting Northeastern University Pilot MAPA Meeting: Medical Marijuana PA Ownership of a Practice B. Topics for next agenda		Board Chair RC

<p>10:00 a.m.</p>	<p>VIII</p>	<p>Executive Session The Board will meet in Executive Session as authorized pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(1) and (3) for the purposes 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 an individual, and to discuss strategy with respect to litigation as a public discussion may have a detrimental effect on the Board's position.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Specifically, the Board will discuss and evaluate the <u>Good Moral Character</u> provision of an application or applications as required for registration. 2. Specifically, the Board will discuss complaints or charges brought against a Licensee or Licensees. 3. Finally, the Board will consider approving prior executive session minutes in accordance with M.G.L. ch.30A, § 22(a) for previous executive sessions of the Board. <p>The Board will not reconvene in public session subsequent to the executive session.</p>	<p>Closed Session</p>	
<p>12:00 p.m.</p>	<p>IX</p>	<p>Adjournment - next Board meeting scheduled for October 12, 2017</p>		<p>Board Chair</p>

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BOARD MEETING

July 13, 2017
239 Causeway Street, Room 417
Boston, MA 02114

MINUTES

Board Members

Present:

Dipu Patel-Junankar, PA-C, Physician Assistant 1, Chair
Brian Gorsuch, PA-C, Physician Assistant 2
Paul Crehan, PA-C, Physician Assistant 4
Alithia Broderick, PA-C, Physician Assistant 3
Laura Hilf, RN, MS, Public Member 1

Board Members

Not Present:

Shannon Sheridan-Geldart, PA-C, Physician Assistant, Educator
Richard Baum, MD, Massachusetts Medical Society
Robert Baginski, MD

Staff Present:

Roberlyne Cherfils, Executive Director, MultiBoard, BHPL
Philip Beattie, Assistant Executive Director, MultiBoard, BHPL
Rebecca Ferullo, Office Support Specialist, BHPL
Beth Oldmixon, Office of General Counsel, DPH

- I. Call to Order – Determination of Quorum
A quorum of the Board was present. The Board Chair, Ms. Patel-Junankar, called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m.
- II. Conflict of Interest/Approval of the Agenda
The Meeting Agenda was reviewed.

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION: Mr. Crehan made a motion to approve the agenda as presented; Mr. Gorsuch seconded the motion. The motion passed with Board members present and voting in favor unanimously.

Document: July 13, 2017 Board Meeting Agenda

III. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the June 8, 2017 Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting were reviewed.

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION: Mr. Crehan made a motion to approve the minutes as amended; Mr. Gorsuch seconded the motion. The motion passed with Board members present and voting in favor unanimously.

Document: June 8, 2017 Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting Minutes

IV. Open Investigations

A. SA-INV-11220: Isaiah Williams (PA3713)
School: Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine
Employer: U.S. Army

The US Army reported to the Board that the licensee had an inappropriate romantic relationship with a patient and his privileges were revoked. Board staff received no response from the licensee, and his license has expired in this state. Ms. Oldmixon reviewed the Board's options, including opening a full complaint and offering an agreement for voluntary surrender.

DISCUSSION: Board member's agreed that offering a voluntary surrender agreement was best, and that if the licensee does not respond or declines, they will seek prosecution to revoke the license.

ACTION: Mr. Crehan made a motion to open a complaint and offer the licensee a voluntary surrender agreement; Ms. Hilf seconded the motion. The motion passed with Board members present and voting in favor unanimously.

Document: None

V. Flex Session

A. Announcements
Ms. Cherfils reminded Board members that the August meeting has been cancelled.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Gorsuch stated that South Shore Medical executive boards have been asking about independent PA practice. Ms. Patel-Junankar responded that independent practice is probably 3-7 years away. Ms. Patel-Junankar, Dr. Baginski and Ms. Cherfils will be visiting Tufts University in September to speak with students.

ACTION: None

Document: None

B. Topics for next agenda

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION: None

Document: None.

VI. Executive Session (closed session)

At 9:51 a.m., Ms. Patel-Junankar announced that the Board will meet in Executive Session as authorized pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(3) 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.

4. Specifically, the Board will discuss and evaluate the Good Moral Character as required for registration for pending applicants.
5. Specifically, the Board will discuss and evaluate the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, of licensees relevant to their petitions for license status change.
6. Approval of prior executive session minutes in accordance with M.G.L. ch.30A, § 22(f) for sessions held during the March 10, 2016 meeting.

Mr. Crehan made a motion to enter into Executive Session; Ms. Hilf seconded the motion; Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote with Board members present and voting in favor: Ms. Laura Hilf: yes; Ms. Dipu Patel-Junankar: yes; Mr. Brian Gorsuch: yes; Ms. Alithia Broderick: yes; Mr. Paul Crehan: yes; Opposed: None Abstained: None Recused: None

VII. Adjourn

There being no other business before the Board, Mr. Crehan made a motion to adjourn the Meeting; Mr. Gorsuch seconded the motion. The motion passed with Board members present and voting in favor unanimously. The Meeting adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

The next meeting of the Board of Registration of Physician Assistants will be held on Thursday, September 14, 2017, at 9:30 a.m. at 239 Causeway Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

Respectfully submitted:

Dipu Patel-Junankar, PA-C, Chair

Date