

**Board of Registration of Podiatry  
Minutes of the September 11, 2018 Public Meeting  
1000 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02118  
Room 1C**

**Board Members Present:**

Raymond Murano, DPM Chair  
LeRoy Kelley, DPM Secretary  
Bruce Bonnell, MD Member  
Kenneth Leavitt, DPM Member

**Administrative Staff Present at Various Times:**

Michael Hawley, Executive Director  
Thomas F. Burke, Assoc. Exec. Director  
Sheila York, Board Counsel  
Anne Driscoll, Investigator Supervisor

**Members of the public Present:**

Scott Aronson, Mass. Foot & Ankle Society

**I. Housekeeping Matters and Evacuation Procedures**

Dr. Murano, the Board Chair, observed a quorum of board members to be present and opened the meeting at 10:02 am.

Executive Director, Michael Hawley informed attendees of the evacuation procedures.

Dr. Kelley spoke briefly of the events of September 11, 2001. A moment of silence was observed by all present.

**II. Vote on Minutes:**

- June 12, 2018 Meeting Minutes:

**Dr. Kelley moved to accept the minutes of the June 12 Board Meeting. Dr. Bonnell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

**III. New Items:**

a. **Board Chair**

In his Chairman's message, Dr. Murano raised the issue of Blue Cross/Blue Shield's new requirement of dual board certification. The Chair noted that the Podiatry Board recognizes seven credentialing agencies, but this insurance company may be recognizing only two. The board briefly discussed the new requirement and whether it was appropriate for the Board to take any action. Mr. Aronson indicated that the Society was working on the issue. Dr. Murano will forward materials on the subject to Attorney York. Ms. York will research and the matter will be added to the agenda for the October meeting.

b. **Executive Director Report:**

1) Mr. Hawley reported that a total of seven full Podiatrist licenses have been issued since May 1: 1 in May; 2 in June; 3 in July; 0 in August; and 1 in September. The transmission problems from PCS to the DPL that seemed to have abated in June have reappeared. Mr. Hawley also noted that the Board has received many verification letter requests from limited licensees.

c. **Board counsel, Sheila York's report to the board:**

- 1) Reciprocity Evaluations – None.
- 2) Attorney York reported that she has been temporary assigned an additional board in order to support the temporary appointment of another board counsel as a hearing officer. The increased workload is anticipated to continue until January.

d. **Discussion:**

e. **Open session for topics not reasonably anticipated by the chair 48 hours in advance of meeting.**

Mr. Hawley reported receiving faxed request for approval of CMEs by the Korean Foot and Ankle society on Monday morning, too late for inclusion on the posted agenda. The request was reviewed by all board members.

**Dr. Murano moved to approve the request as submitted. Dr. Kelley seconded. The motion passed unanimously.**

V. **Investigative Session** - Closed Session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 112, Section 65C:

At 10:18 am, Dr. Murano moved to enter investigative session [Closed Session pursuant M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C] to discuss open investigative matters: 2018-000374-IT-ENF, 2018-000428-IT-ENF, 2018-000483-IT-ENF, and 2018-000736-IT-ENF. Dr. Bonnell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

At the end of the closed session, the open meeting resumed. Report of action taken during investigative session:

- 2018-000374-IT-ENF: Dismiss.
- 2018-000428-IT-ENF: Dismiss.
- 2018-000483-IT-ENF: Dismiss.
- 2018-000736-IT-ENF: Table for further investigation.

**Dr. Kelley moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:36 am. Dr. Bonnell seconded. The motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Hawley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "M" and a long, horizontal flourish at the end.

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Michael Hawley, Executive Director

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

1. Agenda dated September 11, 2018
2. Draft of minutes from June 12, 2018 Podiatry Board meeting.
3. Request for approval of CME courses by Korean Foot and Ankle Society, faxed 9/8/2018.