

BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE

FULL BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

14 MARCH 2007

Open Session

Minutes

Board Members in Attendance:

Patrick Barry, Esq.

Norm Chapman

Margaret Coughlin

Robert Dinwoodie, DO

Joseph DiPietro, Esq.

Richard P. Iacobucci, MD

Noubar Kessimian MD

Henry Litchman, MD

Shelagh McGowan

Board Members Absent:

David R. Gifford, MD, MPH, Chair

Thomas Breslin, MD

Charles Cronin, DO

Staff Members in Attendance:

Robert S. Crausman, MD, Chief Administrative Officer

Bruce McIntyre, Board General Counsel

Linda Julian, Board Investigator

Mary Salerno, Administrative Officer

1. A quorum was established at 8:40 AM.

2. On a motion by Mr. DiPietro seconded by Dr. Dinwoodie it was voted to approve the minutes of the 1 March 2007 Licensing Committee.

3. On a motion by Dr. Dinwoodie seconded by Dr. Kessimian it was voted to approve the minutes of the Open Session of the 14 February 2007 meeting.

4. Chief Administrative Officer's Report

A. The article in Medicine & Health/Rhode Island titled "Disruptive Physician Behaviors" was deemed "excellent" by the Board.

B. The article in the Journal of Medical Licensure and Discipline/FSMB titled "Administrative Warnings" was reviewed. It was recommended that the sample letters be forwarded to Charles Alexander and that the language regarding the administrative warning be adopted by the Board.

C. On a motion by Dr. Litchman seconded by Mrs. Coughlin it was voted to request that Dr. David Gifford, Director of the RI Department

of Health define the term “supervision” as it relates to Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants. Dr. Dinwoodie will draft proposed wording for the definition.

D. A standing ovation was given to Mr. Bruce W. McIntyre for receiving the Federation of State Medical Boards’ Distinguished Service Award. On a motion by Mr. DiPietro seconded by Mr. Barry it was voted to enter the following Board Resolution regarding Mr. McIntyre’s Award:

Board Resolution:

The RI Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline acknowledges the outstanding professional, legal, expert and judicial service provided by Bruce W. McIntyre, Counsel for the RI BMLD and expresses its gratitude to the Federation of State Medical Boards for its well-advised decision to award Mr. McIntyre the 2007 FSMB Distinguished Service Award.

A letter will be drafted with the above language and copies sent to the FSMB, Governor Carcieri, Dr. Gifford, and Mr. McIntyre’s personnel file.

Mr. DiPietro also brought to the Board’s attention the outstanding service Mr. McIntyre provided to the Board as Interim Chief Administrative Officer after the retirement of Dr. Milton Hamolsky and

the hiring of Dr. Robert Crausman.

E. The American College of Surgeons' revised definition of "Surgery," which includes laser surgery, was favorably reviewed by the Board.

5. Old Business:

Telemedicine

6. New business:

7. At 9:30 AM the Board adjourned to Executive Session.