

BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN PODIATRY

MINUTES OF MEETING

June 19, 2007

Open Session

The Open Session of the Board of Examiners in Podiatry was called to order at 8:00 am on the above date in the Health Policy Forum, Cannon Building, Rhode Island Department of Health, Three Capitol Hill, Providence, Rhode Island, pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Open Meeting Law, so called, and other applicable provisions of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, as amended. A quorum was established.

Board members in attendance:

Charles Cavicchio, DPM

Clyde Fish, DPM

David Greenberg, DPM

Nancy Waterman, DPM

Staff members in attendance:

Donna Dickerman

The minutes of the meeting held April 24, 2007 were presented. On motion by Dr. Fish, seconded by Dr. Waterman, it was unanimously voted to accept the Open Session minutes as presented.

Members approved a request from the American Podiatric Medical Association (APMA) for up to 35 continuing education credits at its 2007 annual scientific meeting to be held August 16-19, 2007.

At the meeting in April, members reviewed a correspondence from Dr. Robert Crausman, Medical Director, RIDOH re: a complaint a podiatrist used the same equipment on patient to patient, without sterilization, in a nursing home. Dr. Fish provided this administrator with the APMA's infection control and universal precautions recommendations, which was shared with Dr. Crausman. Dr. Crausman provided OSHA guidelines for infection control. The Board requested a letter of reminder regarding proper infection control and sterilization of equipment be sent to all licensed podiatrists.

Adjournment to Executive Session

On motion of Dr. Cavicchio, seconded by Dr. Fish, it was unanimously voted to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5(1) of the Rhode Island General Laws, as Amended, in that confidential issues of fitness for licensure and investigative cases will be discussed. Complaints #DPM-01-2007 and DPM#03-2007 were addressed.

Return to Open Session

The Open Session was called back to order.

On motion of Dr. Fish, seconded by Dr. Greenberg, the Board unanimously voted to keep confidential all matters discussed in Executive Session and to seal those minutes inasmuch as fitness for licensure and ongoing disciplinary matters were addressed. A final action on Complaint #DPM-01-2007 was reported: a finding of no unprofessional conduct with a letter of concern.

Adjournment

On motion of Dr. Greenberg seconded by Dr. Waterman, it was unanimously voted to adjourn. The Open Session of the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Dickerman

Board Administrator

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