

DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES REGULATION  
BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

3 CAPITOL HILL  
CONFERENCE ROOM 104  
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

Thursday, June 04, 2015  
8:45 AM

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Kevin Donovan  
Robert Ricci  
Stephen Estner

BOARD MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Natalie Taylor  
Ronald Marsh

STAFF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Alana Rodriguez, Board Manager  
Mike Simoli, Board Manager

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Jay Korsen

1. Establishment of a quorum

A meeting of the Board of Chiropractic Examiners was held on Thursday, June 04, 2015 at the Rhode Island Department of Health, Conference Room 104, 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. A quorum was established and the Open Session meeting was called to order at 8:45am on a motion by Robert Ricci and seconded by Stephen Estner. Motion carried.

2. Presentation of the March 12, 2015 Open Session Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Stephen Estner and seconded by Robert Ricci to accept the Open Session minutes of March 12, 2015. The Board voted unanimously to approve the Open Session minutes as presented. Motion carried.

3. Board Manager Report

a. Announcements & Introductions

Mike Simoli introduced Alana Rodriguez as the newly assigned Board Manager for the Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

4. Old Business

a. Dry Needling Project Follow Up

The board provided updates on dry needling and researched other specific state policies on dry needling. The board also discussed the topic of education and their desire to see a proposed course or certification for the practice of dry needling for Chiropractic Physicians. A brief comparison of chiropractic medicine and physical therapy was discussed in the context of dry needling within the practice.

5. Motion to adjourn to Closed Session

Motion was made by Stephen Estner and seconded by Kevin Donovan to adjourn to Closed Session at 9:25am. Motion carried. Pursuant to Sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(1) of the Rhode Island General Laws, for the purpose of discussing job performance, character, physical or mental health of applicants for licensure. Said individuals have been notified in advance by writing that they may request that the discussion be held at an open meeting. Also, pursuant to Sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(4) of the Rhode Island General Laws, for investigatory proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct.

6. Motion to return to Open Session

Motion was made by Robert Ricci and seconded by Kevin Donovan at 10:12am to re-open the Open Session and to seal the Minutes of the Closed Session pursuant to Sections 42-46-4, 42-46-5 and 42-46-7 of the Rhode Island General Laws. Motion carried.

7. Final Actions on all votes taken in Closed Session

- The board reviewed and approved one application and proposed action on one case.

8. Adjournment

The next Board of Chiropractic Examiners meeting will be held [Thursday, October 1, 2015, 8:30am at the Rhode Island Department of Health, Conference Room 104, 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. Motion was made by Kevin Donovan and seconded by Stephen Estner to adjourn at 10:13am. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alana Rodriguez". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent loop at the end.

Alana Rodriguez  
Board Manager  
Office of Health Professionals Regulation