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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	BOARD OF PODIATRY
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Wednesday, September 6, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Cannon Building, Second Floor- Conference Room B
MINUTES APPROVED:	12/06/2017

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Harold Gruber, President, Professional Member, Presiding
Dr. James Bray, Professional Member
Joseph Stormer, Public Member

MEMBER ABSENT

Dr. Jason Kline, Secretary, Professional Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Jennifer Singh, Deputy Attorney General
Jennifer Witte, Administrative Specialist II

ALSO PRESENT

Mark Chase, DPM

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Gruber called the meeting to order at 5:09 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the June 7, 2017 Board meeting. Dr. Bray moved, seconded by Dr. Stormer, to approve the meeting minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Deliberations on Proposed Amendments to Board's Rules and Regulations

The Board held their deliberations from the June 7, 2017 public hearing regarding the proposed amendments to the Board's rules and regulations. It was noted that no additional written comments had been received. Dr. Bray moved, seconded by Dr. Gruber, to accept the proposed amendments as

previously published. Motion unanimously carried. The Board members affixed their signatures to the Order.

Proposal to Deny Hearing for Mark Chase, DPM

At 5:14 p.m., the proposal to deny hearing for Mark Chase, DPM, was called to Order. Verbatim testimony was recorded electronically. Ms. Singh stated the reason for the hearing and had the following items marked as Board Exhibit 1 for the record: the June 29, 2017 Notice of Hearing, Dr. Chase's hearing request dated June 18, 2017, the June 12, 2017 correspondence notifying Dr. Chase of the Board's proposal to deny his application, and the application packet and supporting documents. Ms. Singh verified with Dr. Chase that he waived his right to be represented by counsel. Dr. Chase was sworn in and presented his case to the Board and answered questions from Board members. At 5:22 p.m., the Board entered deliberations, and deliberations ended at 5:26 p.m. Dr. Gruber moved, seconded by Mr. Stormer, to grant a waiver for licensure by reciprocity. Motion unanimously carried. The hearing concluded at 5:27 p.m.

Discussion on Changes to Application

Dr. Bray previously informed the Board that the application was not clear as to when an applicant should apply by direct application or by reciprocity. Dr. Bray was concerned about individuals who were applying by reciprocity from a state that was not deemed substantially similar due to not requiring successful completion of a residency. Ms. Singh advised the Board that applicants who are applying by reciprocity must answer question nine on the application, which asks about the applicant's residency. After reviewing the application it was determined that no action is needed at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratification of Applications for Licensure by Direct Application

Dr. Bray moved, seconded by Dr. Gruber, to ratify the following podiatrist application for licensure by reciprocity, as the applicant has met the requirements for licensure. Motion unanimously carried.

Michael Griesser, DPM

Ratification of Applications for Podiatric Physician in Training Licensure

Dr. Bray moved, seconded by Dr. Kline, to ratify the following applications for podiatric physician in training licensure, as the applicants have met the requirements for licensure. Motion unanimously carried.

Benjamin Green, DPM

Complaint Status

The Board was advised that Case 15-02-16 was closed by the Division of Professional Regulation.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

Dr. Gruber inquired if Podiatrists can oversee Physician Assistants and Nurse Practitioners in the State of Delaware. Ms. Singh advised Dr. Gruber that the statutes for the Board of Nursing and Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline would address who may supervise Physician Assistance and Nurse Practitioners.

Dr. Bray raised a question about treating leg wounds. Ms. Singh provided the Board with the definition of the profession.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next scheduled board meeting is December 6, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. in Conference Room “B” of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware, 19904.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Gruber moved, seconded by Dr. Bray, to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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Administrative Specialist III