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DRAFT MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMITTEE Held on Thursday, February 26, 2015 9545 E. Doubletree Ranch Road - Scottsdale, Arizona

Committee Members

Gordi S. Khera, M.D., F.A.C.C., Chair
Richard T. Perry, M.D., Vice-Chair
Jodi A. Bain, Esq.
Marc D. Berg, M.D.
Donna S. Brister
R. Screven Farmer, M.D.
Robert E. Fromm, M.D.
Paul S. Gerding, Esq.
James M. Gillard, M.S., M.D., F.A.C.E.P., F.A.A.E.M.
Geoffrey W. Hoffa, D.H.S.c., P.A.-C, D.F.A.A.P.A.
Ram R. Krishna, M.D.
Edward G. Paul, M.D.
Wanda J. Salter, R.N.
Myles A. Whitfield, P.A.-C

A. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Khera called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

The following Committee members participated telephonically: Ms. Bain, Ms. Brister, Dr. Farmer, Dr. Fromm, Mr. Gerding, Dr. Gillard, Dr. Hoffa, Dr. Khera, Dr. Krishna, Dr. Paul, Dr. Perry, Ms. Salter and PA Whitfield. The following Committee members were absent: Dr. Berg.

ALSO PRESENT

Dennis D. Carpenter, Jr., Chief Counsel, Employment Law Section of the Attorney General's Office, Rob Waddell, Employment Manager, Arizona Department of Administration; Patricia E. McSorley, Interim Acting Executive Director; Alicia Cauthon, Assistant to the Executive Director; William Wolf, M.D., Chief Medical Consultant; Mary Bober, Board Operations Manager; Evangeline Webster, Support Services Manager; James Gentile, Chief Information Officer; and Andrea Cisneros, Staff Investigational Review Committee Coordinator.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Dr. Khera moved to approve the February 6, 2015 Executive Director Committee Meeting, and the February 12, 2015 Executive Director Committee Meeting.

SECOND: Dr. Fromm

VOTE: 12-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 2-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

D. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE SELECTION AND/OR APPOINTMENT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

- i. Discussion and Possible Action on Adopting a Plan for Replacement of the Executive Director
- ii. Discussion and Possible Action on Appointment of an Executive Director

MOTION: Dr. Khera moved to enter the Committee into Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1) and (3).

SECOND: Dr. Fromm

VOTE: 13-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 1-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

The Committee entered into Executive Session at 6:03 p.m.
The Committee returned to Open Session at 6:18 p.m.
No legal action was taken by the Committee during Executive Session.

Mr. Waddell informed the Committee that the position of the Executive Director was posted publicly on January 7-30, 2015, and that 68 applications were received by the Department of Administration ("DOA"). He added that DOA screened the applications and forwarded information regarding ten of the candidates to the Committee for review and consideration.

Dr. Krishna stated that, having reviewed the information regarding each candidate, he found that Ms. McSorley is the best candidate for the Executive Director position.

MOTION: Dr. Krishna moved to appoint Ms. McSorley as the Executive Director of the Arizona Medical Board.

SECOND: Dr. Hoffa

Dr. Gillard spoke in favor of the motion, noting receipt of the information from ADOA as well as letters to the Committee from Board staff in support of the appointment of Ms. McSorley. He also noted Ms. McSorley's education and experience, and pointed out her ability to perform effectively during difficult circumstances. Dr. Farmer spoke for the motion as well, stating that he has appreciated the steady, calm professional hand of Ms. McSorley when handling several difficult issues. Dr. Farmer added that consistency in leadership is important, which he stated has been demonstrated by Ms. McSorley.

Ms. Salter also spoke in support of the motion. She stated that she appreciates and honors Ms. McSorley's commitment to the Board. Ms. Salter added that she has nothing but the highest regard for Ms. McSorley and that she is confident that she will continue to guide the Board with a steady hand going forward. Dr. Hoffa spoke for the motion, stating that the boards will continue to work together and through an excellent choice of Executive Director. Dr. Paul reiterated comments made by the Committee members, and stated that he has been impressed with Ms. McSorley's focus during some difficult challenges.

Dr. Khera stated that he has worked with three Executive Directors during his service as Chairman of the Arizona Medical Board. He stated that Ms. McSorley is an individual of high integrity who is extremely honest, very diligent, and very hard working. Dr. Khera added that he finds Ms. McSorley to be an extremely effective administrator, and that he is confident she will do an excellent job working for both boards.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Roll call vote was taken and the following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Ms. Bain, Ms. Brister, Dr. Farmer, Dr. Fromm, Mr. Gerding, Dr. Gillard, Dr. Hoffa, Dr. Khera, Dr. Krishna, Dr. Paul, Dr. Perry, Ms. Salter and PA Whitfield. The following Committee members were absent: Dr. Berg.

VOTE: 13-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 1-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

Ms. McSorley thanked the Committee for their vote of confidence in her ability to lead the Agency. She stated that the Agency has a terrific staff and will continue to work with the boards to meet their mission to protect the public.

The meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.



Gordi S. Khera, M.D., Chairman