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FINAL MINUTES FOR SPECIAL MEETING Held on Thursday, June 2, 2016 9535 E. Doubletree Ranch Road • Scottsdale, Arizona

Board Members

James M. Gillard, M.D., M.S., F.A.C.E.P., F.A.A.E.M., Chair
R. Screven Farmer, M.D., Vice-Chair
Jodi A. Bain, Esq., Secretary
Marc D. Berg, M.D.
Donna S. Brister
Teresa L. Connolly, D.N.P., R.N., N.E.A.-B.C.
Gary R. Figge, M.D.
Robert E. Fromm, M.D., M.P.H.
Lois E. Krahn, M.D.
Edward G. Paul, M.D.
Richard T. Perry, M.D.
Wanda J. Salter, R.N.

GENERAL BUSINESS

A. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Gillard called the meeting to order at 10:16 a.m.

B. ROLL CALL

The following Board members were present: Dr. Gillard, Dr. Farmer, Ms. Bain, Ms. Brister, Dr. Connolly, Dr. Figge, Dr. Perry, Dr. Fromm, Dr. Paul, Dr. Berg and Ms. Salter.

The following Board members were absent: Dr. Krahn.

ALSO PRESENT

Present among Board staff include: Carrie Smith, AAG,, Patricia E. McSorley, Executive Director; Kristina Fredericksen, Deputy Director; William Wolf, M.D., Chief Medical Consultant; Andrea Cisneros, Staff Investigational Review Committee ("SIRC") Coordinator, Anita Shepherd, Investigations Manager; Mary Bober, Board Operations Manager; and Michelle Robles, Board Coordinator.

C. PUBLIC STATEMENTS REGARDING MATTERS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

Individuals who addressed the Board during the Public Statements portion of the meeting appear beneath the matter(s) referenced.

LEGAL MATTERS

D. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING SUMMARY ACTION

1. MD-16-0348A, SUSAN B. GREGER, M.D., LIC. #47822
B.G. addressed the Board during the Call to Public on behalf of Dr. Greger.

MOTION: Ms. Salter moved to table this case to move on to the next agenda item.

SECOND: Ms. Bain.

VOTE: 11-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 1-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

The Physician Health Program ("PHP") Contractor presented to the Board that Dr. Greger was referred to the PHP Contractor for an assessment. At that time Dr. Greger had already completed two weeks of in-patient treatment for her health issues. Dr. Greger subsequently entered into an intensive outpatient program which she completed on June 1, 2016. The PHP Contractor recommended for Dr. Greger to enter into Physician Health Program (PHP) monitoring. The PHP Contractor noted that he has not received discharge records from her most recent treatment program and therefore, could make a recommendation regarding Dr. Greger's safety to practice. Dr. Greger informed Board staff that she did not wish to sign an Interim Consent Agreement to participate in PHP.

B.G., a witness on behalf of Dr. Greger, stated Dr. Greger has been very proactive and diligent in seeking treatment for her health issues and stated that he believes she would not be a threat to the public if she were allowed to practice.

Ms. McSorley explained that Board staff offers non-disciplinary Practice Limitations in order to protect the public while a physician deals with health issues that inhibit their ability to safely practice.

Ms. Bain questioned the language of the Interim Consent Agreement. Dr. Berg opined that since it appears the relationship with PHP did not appear to be functioning well; he is uncomfortable forcing a relationship going forward. The PHP Contractor clarified to the Board that PHP's role is for monitoring and not treatment.

MOTION: Ms. Bain moved for the Board to enter into Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2).

SECOND: Dr. Farmer.

VOTE: 11-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 1-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 10:01 a.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 10:15 a.m.

No legal action was taken by the Board during Executive Session.

Dr. Fromm noted there is evidence of health issues and the Board's concern is with public safety.

MOTION: Dr. Fromm moved to Table the matter to allow the AAG to enter into negotiation discussions with the licensee regarding an appropriate Consent Agreement.

SECOND: Ms. Bain.

Dr. Gillard noted that the physician is trying to self-regulate but that failure to cooperate with the Board may result in disciplinary action.

VOTE: 11-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 1-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

MOTION: Dr. Bain moved for the Board to enter into a brief recess.

SECOND: Dr. Farmer.

VOTE: 11-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 1-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

The meeting recessed at 11:19 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 1:48 p.m.

Ms. Smith stated that a revised non-disciplinary Interim Consent Agreement for a practice Limitation has been signed by Dr. Greger. The Order now stipulates that Dr. Greger is prohibited from practicing medicine until she applies to the Board to do so.

MOTION: Dr. Fromm moved for no action based on confidential file information and the signed Interim Consent Agreement for Practice Limitation.

Second: Ms. Bain

VOTE: 9-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 3-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

CONSENT AGENDA

E. LICENSE APPLICATION

i. APPROVE OR DENY LICENSE APPLICATION

1. MD-16-0649A, JEAN-PAUL O. SORONDO M.D., LIC. #N/A

Dr. Gillard summarized the physician was on probation in medical school and failed a rotation. However; the physician passed the USMLE in 2009, was Board certified in Emergency Medicine in 2012 and is licensed in Florida.

MOTION: Ms. Bain moved to approve the license application and issue an Arizona medical license.

SECOND: Dr. Fromm.

VOTE: 11-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 1-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

MOTION: Dr. Paul moved for adjournment.

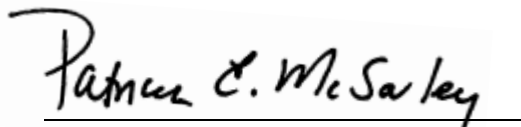
SECOND: Ms. Bain.

VOTE: 9-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 3-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

The meeting adjourned at 1:54 p.m.




Patricia E. McSorley, Executive Director