



## Arizona Medical Board

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### **DRAFT MINUTES FOR EMERGENCY MEETING Held on Thursday, January 4, 2018 9545 E. Doubletree Ranch Road, Scottsdale, Arizona 85258**

#### ***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  
Bruce A. Bethancourt, M.D., F.A.C.P.  
Teresa L. Connolly, D.N.P., R.N., N.E.A.-B.C.  
Gary R. Figge, M.D.  
Pamela E. Jones  
Lois E. Krahn, M.D.  
Edward G. Paul, M.D.  
Wanda J. Salter, R.N.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

##### **A. CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Gillard called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

##### **B. ROLL CALL**

The following Board members participated telephonically: Dr. Gillard, Dr. Farmer, Dr. Bethancourt, Dr. Connolly, Dr. Figge, Ms. Jones, Dr. Krahn, and Dr. Paul.

The following Board members were absent: Ms. Bain and Ms. Salter.

##### **ALSO PRESENT**

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

#### **LEGAL MATTERS**

##### **C. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING SUMMARY ACTION**

1. MD-17-0137A, JEFF CRAWFORD, M.D., LIC. #18695

Dr. Crawford was not present.

Board staff summarized on December 6, 2017 the Board summarily restricted Dr. Crawford's ability to prescribe controlled substances based on multiple deviations from the standard of care in prescribing controlled substances to patient CE. On December 21, 2017, Board staff received a complaint that Dr. Crawford was prescribing controlled substance in violation of the summary restriction. Board staff subsequently obtained a CSPMP report, which indicated that Dr. Crawford had violated the summary restriction by prescribing 102 prescriptions for controlled substances to 74 patients between December 7, 2017 and December 22, 2017. On December 22, 2018 Board staff contacted the physician to inform him that he was in violation of the Board Order. Dr. Crawford admitted to prescribing controlled substances. On January 4, 2018 Board staff obtained a second CSPMP report where Dr. Crawford prescribed another 61 prescriptions for controlled substances.

Dr. Gillard opined that Dr. Crawford had egregiously violation the Board's Order for Summary Restriction and continued to do so after contacted by Board staff.

**MOTION: Dr. Farmer moved to summarily restrict Dr. Crawford's Arizona medical license based on the finding that the public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action by the Board. The matter shall be referred to the Office of Administrative Hearings for a Formal Hearing for Revocation.**

**SECOND: Dr. Bethancourt.**

Ms. Smith confirmed that Board staff has been in contact with law enforcement regarding this Board Order.

**ROLL CALL: Roll call vote was taken and the following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Gillard, Dr. Farmer, Dr. Bethancourt, Dr. Connolly, Dr. Figge, Ms. Jones, Dr. Krahn and Dr. Paul.**

**The following Board members were absent: Ms. Bain and Ms. Salter.**

**VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 2-absent.**

**MOTION PASSED.**

#### **D. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION: Dr. Krahn moved to adjourn the meeting.**

**SECOND: Ms. Jones.**

**VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 2-absent.**

**MOTION PASSED.**

The meeting adjourned at 12:38 p.m.



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Patricia E. McSorley, Executive Director