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# PUBLIC MINUTES Board of Podiatry Wednesday March 8, 2023

The March 8, 2023, meeting of the Board of Podiatry convened at 2:03 pm at 7 Eagle Square, Concord, NH with the following members present.

Jennifer Sartori - Podiatrist member - President Serena Shomody – Podiatrist member Julie Shaheen - Podiatrist member Talia Wilson – Senior Board Administrator Charlene Anstead - Board Administrator Teresa Boyer - Board Administrator Elizabeth Eaton – Board Counsel

The Board voted to approve the minutes of December 14, 2022, on a motion from Serena Shomody and seconded by Julie Shaheen, as written.

# Hearings:

Hearing on Pod 300s, 400s, and 501.01 convened at 3:00pm

Tina Kelly reviewed administrative rules with the Board. Public attendance via zoom Anna Ruelle posited there should be no in person requirement for CME's. Regarding 402.02 Ms. Ruelle also stated that a date should appear on certificates, as well as opioid credits.

Also in public attendance via zoom was Heidi Newkirk. Ms. Newkirk stated that technology is advanced enough that participants should be able to attend via zoom effectively.

The hearing was closed at 3:16pm

## **OPLC and/or Board Administration Updates**

None

Applications for Licensure:



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## A. Raef Fahmy (reinstatement)

On a motion by Serena Shomody, seconded by Julie Shaheen, the Board voted to table the application until the following occurs; and allow for Board President to approve outside of a regularly scheduled Board meeting.

Applicant can document 40 credits of continued education, of which 3 needs to be opioid related if Licensee holds a DEA License.

B. Joseph Weaver – new application

On a motion by Serena Shomody, seconded by Julie Shaheen, the Board voted to table the application until the following occurs; and allow for Board President to approve outside of a regularly scheduled Board meeting.

Applicant to submit state clearance from Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

C. Gariel Hamawi - new application

On a motion by Serena Shomody, seconded by Jennifer Satori, the Board voted to table the application until the following occurs; and allow for Board President to approve outside of a regularly scheduled Board meeting.

Applicant to submit notarized Resident Certificate is finalized and received.

## Old Board Business:

None

## New Board Business:

Board Counsel Elizabeth Eaton reviewed HB2 and HB655 with the Board, and explained could submit written opposition to her and she would draft a response for Board President to review.

## Non-Public Session: 2:52 P.M.

[Minutes kept separately]



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On the motion of Serena Shomody, seconded by Julie Shaheen, the Board voted to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A: 3, II (c), RSA 91-A: 3, II (e), RSA 91-A: 5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present. The Board returned to public session at 3:24 pm

Motion to keep minutes of non-public session confidential.

Upon the motion of motion of Serena Shomody, seconded by Julie Shaheen, the Board voted to withhold and seal the minutes of the preceding non-public session from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3, III on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely to affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a Board member and to render the proposed action ineffective. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.

The meeting adjourned at 3:26 p.m. on a motion by Serena Shomody and seconded by Julie Shaheen.