

# NEVADA STATE BOARD OF PODIATRY

## BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF January 13, 2020

**1. *Call to order, roll call of members, and establish quorum.***

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Dr. Douglas Stacey, President.

Board Members present: Dr. Douglas Stacey, President;

Dr. Kenneth Jarvis, Vice President;

Dr. Christine Clark, Secretary/Treasurer;

Dr. Katheryne Glantz, Board Member;

Donna Baushke, Board Member

Non-Members present: Carolyn J. Cramer, Esq., Executive Director; Richard Dreitzer, Esq. Board Counsel; Rocky Finseth; Jenny Reese; Heather Lunsford; and Samantha Sato of Carrara Nevada

Absent: None

Members of the public present: Matt Walker and Dr. Eugene Harper, D.P.M.

Late Call-in: Dr. Kenneth Jarvis called in at 5:34 p.m.

**2. *Public comment.*** No members of the public present at this time.

**3. *Review and approve the November 4, 2019 Board of Podiatry meeting minutes.***

Motion to approve the meeting minutes as written made by Board Member Dr. Glantz

Second to motion Board Member Baushke;

Motion passes unanimously

**4. *Review and approve the financial status of the Board for November and December 2019.***

The report was given by Secretary/Treasurer Dr. Clark on the financial activities and questions were taken from the Board members regarding the review of the financial activities' memo and financial statements. Board Member Baushke asked about the kind of services the Board was paying for with the Legislative Counsel Bureau and who was the firm of Fennemore Craig. Executive Director Cramer answered Board Member Baushke's questions. Executive Director Cramer reported that the checking account balance was \$14,344.47 and the money market was \$214,929.47.

Motion to approve the finances of the Board for November and December 2019 made by Vice President Dr. Jarvis;

Second to motion Board Member Dr. Glantz

Motion passes unanimously

**5. *Review and discuss activities of the Board office and all matters relating thereto.***

Executive Director Cramer indicated the following had occurred since the last Board Meeting:

- There are 151 licensed podiatric physicians. Two new licenses have been issued since the last Board meeting. Three are under active consideration

- Two new complaints have been received
- There are 41 licensed podiatry hygienists. Fourteen new licenses have been issued since the last meeting.
- Renewals have concluded with 4 podiatry physicians' choosing not to renew. One podiatry hygienist did not renew.

**6. Review, discussion and potential action regarding the sharing of office space with another agency** (Discussion/For possible action).

Executive Director Cramer reported that another agency wanted to know if the Board would consider sharing office space. The Board Members were open to the idea and asked Executive Director Cramer to report back after looking into it further. No action was taken.

**7. Review, discussion and potential action regarding the Board having a credit card or debit card with a low limit to facilitate the activities of the Board.** (Discussion/For possible action).

The Board discussed the memorandum prepared by Executive Director Cramer and were in favor of the Board having a credit card to support its activities.

Motion to apply for a Board credit card made by Vice President Dr. Jarvis;

Second to the motion Secretary/Treasurer Dr. Clark

Motion passes unanimously

**8. Review, discussion and potential action regarding podiatry hygienist application for modification of Item 9 and other related matters.** (Discussion/For possible action)

Dr. Glantz wanted the Board to review Item 9 to see if it was really necessary for applicants to supply transcripts from medical assistant schools. Executive Director Cramer gave a brief history on the development of the application. Dr. Glantz suggested that Item 9 of the Podiatric Hygienist Application be changed to state: "9. List name and address of all schools where podiatric hygienist instruction was received. Request an original Certificate of Medical Education, with seal of school affixed, from each school attended." Dr. Glantz in her experience felt that it was not necessary to get official school transcripts as many schools have closed and are no longer available. The Board members did not want to require the production of a transcript that was not helpful to the process of licensure.

Motion to amend item 9 to read as follows: "List name and address of all schools where podiatric hygienist instruction was received. Request an original Certificate of Medical Education, with seal of school affixed, from each school attended." Made by Board Member Dr. Glantz;

Second to motion Secretary/Treasurer Dr. Clark

Motion passes unanimously

**9. Review, discussion and potential action regarding whether a popliteal block is a local anesthetic within the scope of practice for a podiatric physician.** (Discussion/For possible action)

The Board has received a question from a licensee whether the DPM licensee can supervise a CRNA doing a popliteal block when the podiatrist may not be able to perform the procedure himself or herself. There was a brief discussion and the Board Members all thought the procedure was a local anesthetic within the scope of practice of a DPM so no further action was taken.

**10. Review, discussion and potential action the direct supervision requirements of limited license podiatric physicians under NRS 635.075.** (Discussion/For possible action)

Executive Director Cramer reported that she went back and listened to the discussion to try and address the questions raised at the meeting. Executive Director Cramer spoke to the Board's prior questions including the use of telemedicine and the impact this would have on this matter. Also, on the call were Matt Walker and Eugene Harper, DPM. Mr. Dreitzer also offered his opinion on the telemedicine issue as well. The discussion of the policy to be use centered around the language in section 2. The discussion of the Board's wording was to amend 2(a) as follows: "2. (a) The Limited License Podiatric Physician agrees to work in the state of Nevada under the direction of his collaborating podiatric physician." The discussion of the amendment of section 2 (a) "a. The Limited License Podiatric Physician will have access to the collaborating podiatric physician during anytime he is practicing Podiatry."

Motion to amend the submitted policy for items as follows: 2 (a) the Limited License Podiatric Physician agrees to work in the state of Nevada under the direction of his Collaborating Podiatric Physician. 2 (a). The Limited License Podiatric Physician will have access to the Collaborating Podiatric Physician during anytime he is practicing Podiatry. Made by Board Member Dr. Glantz;  
Second to motion Vice President Dr. Jarvis  
Motion passes unanimously

**11. Review, discussion and potential action regarding impact of discussion of Interim Legislative Committee on Healthcare o December 11, 2019 and recent commercial reimbursement rate adjustments by anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield on patients in need of Pathology services and need for further legislation on this issue.**

(Discussion/For possible action) Carolyn Cramer, Executive Director

Executive Director Cramer reported on the discussion that was held in December before the Committee and recommended that this item and potential items like it be watched for.

**12. Review, discussion and potential action regarding implementation of AB 319.**

(Discussion/For possible action) Carolyn Cramer, Executive Director

Based on the conflicting information in AB 319 and the letter from DPS, Executive Director Cramer recommended that this matter be referred back to Staff until the conflict is resolved.

**13. Future Agenda Items**

- a. Review and approve January 13, 2020 Board meeting minutes.
- b. Review and discuss financial status of the Board and all matters relating thereto.
- c. Review and discuss activities of the Board office and all matters relating thereto.
- d. Restitution plan.
- e. Review and discuss impaired provider policy.

- f. Review and discuss hiring of Auditor for fall audit.
- g. Review and discuss Patient Protection Commission

Motion to approve the list of future agenda items was made by Board Member Dr. Glantz;

Second to motion Vice President Dr. Jarvis

Motion passes unanimously

**14. Discussion, possible decision on date of next Board meeting.**

The next Board meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in Reno, Nevada.

Motion to approve the date of the next meeting made by

Board Member Baushke;

Second to the motion Board Member Dr. Glantz

Motion passes unanimously

**15. Public comment.** No members of the public present at this time.

**16. Attorney-client meeting.**

Richard Dreitzer, Board Legal Counsel, does not see a need to close the meeting at this time.

**17. Adjournment.**

Motion to adjourn the meeting of the Nevada State Board of Podiatry at 6:33 p.m. made by Vice President Dr. Jarvis;

Second to motion Secretary/Treasurer Dr. Clark

Motion passes unanimously