

# NEVADA STATE BOARD OF PODIATRY

## BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF May 15, 2023

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

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m. by President Dr. Kenneth Jarvis.

Board Members present: Dr. Kenneth Jarvis, President

Dr. Kathyryne Glantz, Vice-President;

Dr. Denise Tropea-Kelly, Board Member;

Non-Members present: Carolyn J. Cramer, Esq., Executive Director; Richard Dreitzer, Esq. Board Counsel; and Aohdan Downey of Carrara Nevada

Absent: Dr. Christine Clark, Secretary/Treasurer and Dr. Melanie Minarik, Board Member.

Members of the public present: None

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

**3. *Review and approve the April 17, 2023 Board of Podiatry meeting minutes.***

Motion to approve the April 17, 2023 meeting minutes as corrected made by Vice-President Dr. Glantz;

Second to motion President Dr. Jarvis;

Motion passes unanimously

**4. *Review and approve the financial status of the Board for April, 2023***

This report was tabled and no action was taken as Dr. Christine Clark, Secretary/Treasurer was absent.

**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 meeting:

- There are 158 active podiatric physicians. One new license has issued. Two late renewals have been completed. Seven applications are under active review.
- There are 61 active podiatry hygienists. Two licenses have issued. Four applications are pending.
- No complaints have been received.

The focus of the Staff is the legislature and new reporting requirements for the Executive Branch agencies.

The administrative functions of the office transitions have been moving forward. Additionally, the preparations for the next renewal season are underway.

This was a report only.

***6. Review, discussion, potential action regarding legislative matters and the Legislative Session reported by Carrara Group LLC***

Aohdan Downey gave his report on the current happenings of the Nevada Legislature and reviewed the Board's tracking report as it presently stands. May 16, 2023 is the 100th day of this Legislative Session with only twenty working days left. Many of the final deadlines are quickly approaching therefore little time remains to address many pressing issues.

This was a report only.

***7. Review, discussion and potential action, regarding scope of practice for prescribing dangerous drugs within NRS chapter 635. (Discussion/For possible action)***

Executive Director Cramer gave a brief overview of the recent prescribing questions that have come up from podiatric physicians regarding dangerous drugs that are being prescribed to treat conditions or diseases that may not originate in the foot or ankle. It has been suggested or urged that some of these drugs may be medically needed to treat or address a negative condition that has an impact on the foot or ankle that the podiatry physician may be trying to treat. After a brief discussion from the Board Members the next item was discussed and further discussion of this agenda item was tabled based on the discussion of agenda item 8.

***8. Review, discussion and potential action, regarding the creation of a committee of licensees to review the scope of practice for podiatric physician under NRS chapter 635.***

Vice-President Dr. Glantz was interested in whether recent three-and four-year residency graduates might have skills that would require a different licensing scheme or an amendment to the present scope of practice to reflect the broader training and experience of newer graduates. Vice-President Dr. Glantz wanted the podiatric physicians to be emailed to find out if there was interest in forming a committee to explore whether the scope of practice needs to be amended to account for the modernization of the practice and what that would look like. Vice-President Dr. Glantz was also interested in how the surrounding states were addressing the scope of practice issue. Vice-President Dr. Glantz wanted the issue directed back to staff to send an email to podiatric physicians to find out if licensees were interested in forming a committee to review the scope of practice in Nevada, including dangerous drug prescribing, with the review to include surrounding states so a recommendation could be made to the Board.

Motion to approve the formation of the committee to review the scope of practice made by Vice-President Dr. Glantz;

Second to the motion Board Member Dr. Tropea-Kelly.

Motion passes unanimously.

**9. Future agenda items.**

- a. Review and approve May 15, 2023 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. Review and discuss legislative activities
- e. Review and discuss report from staff on creation of committee for dangerous drug and scope of practice review;

Motion to approve items a through e made by Vice-President Dr. Glantz;

Second to motion Board Member Dr. Tropea-Kelly;

Motion passes unanimously

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

The next Board meeting is scheduled for June 12, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. in Reno, Nevada and by Zoom, with the next tentative meeting date to be August 7, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

Motion to approve the date of the next meeting made by Board Member Dr. Tropea-Kelly;

Second to the motion Vice-President Dr. Glantz;

Motion passes unanimously

**11. Public Comment.** None

**12. Attorney-client meeting.**

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

**13. Adjournment.**

Motion to adjourn the meeting of the Nevada State Board of Podiatry at 6:28 p.m. made by Vice-President Dr. Glantz;

Second to motion Board Member Dr. Tropea-Kelly;

Motion passes unanimously