

Minutes

The Oklahoma State Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners met on March 23, 2019, in accordance with the Open Meeting Act. The meeting was held at the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision, 101 NE 51st Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Advance notice of this meeting was transmitted to the Oklahoma Secretary of State on October 10, 2018, and posted on the Board's website on March 21, 2019 at 9:35 a.m. in compliance with 25 O.S. § 311.9.

Members present were:

Frank Cooper, DPM, President
Jody Rose, DPM, Vice-President
Kenneth Golda, DPM, Secretary-Treasurer
Nathan Lashley, DPM

Members absent were:

Jeremy Mason, DPM
Vacant Seat – Public Member

Others present were:

Reji Varghese, Deputy Director of the Oklahoma Medical Board
Barbara Smith, Executive Secretary for the Oklahoma Medical Board
Lisa Cullen, Director of Licensing for the Oklahoma Medical Board
Valeska Barr, Administrative Assistant (Licensing)
Thomas Schneider, Assistant Attorney General and Board Advisor

Having noted a quorum, Dr. Cooper called the meeting to order at 8:14 a.m.

The first item of business was a review of the minutes of the meeting held on October 26, 2018. Dr. Rose moved to approve the minutes as written. Dr. Lashley seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Next, the Board reviewed the contract for **FY 2020** with the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision for administrative support services. Reji Varghese stated there are no changes in the terms from the previous year's contract. Thomas Schneider stated he had reviewed the contract and believed it was within the Board's purview to execute the contract. Dr. Rose moved to accept the contract for **FY 2020** with the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision as presented for administrative support services. Dr. Golda seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Next, the Board looked at the possibility of granting licensure via reciprocity for the incomplete applications for licensure of **MICAELA VARDELL DARTSON** and **TIMOTHY PATRIC MCCONN**. Ms. Cullen stated that the law (*see: 59 O.S. § 152.B*) provides, in part, that "...states which in the judgment of the Board extend to citizens of this state substantially equal or greater reciprocity privileges as to a license to practice podiatric medicine." But Ms. Cullen and the Board were unaware of what privileges were extended to Oklahoma Podiatric

applicants from other states granting reciprocity. Mr. Schneider stated that 59 O.S. § 152 provides a pathway for reciprocity but the applicants are required to meet all the licensing criteria set forth in that section. Dr. Cooper stated that Oklahoma has requirements of oral examinations as well as a written jurisprudence examination that other states do not require and, therefore, does not see how other states could be "equal or greater to" Oklahoma in this regard. The Board was in unanimous agreement and, upon the advice of Thomas Schneider, AAG, Board Advisor, took no formal action on the matter of reciprocity. **MICAELA VARDELL DARTSON** and **TIMOTHY PATRIC MCCONN** stated they wished to move forward with the examination process required for Oklahoma licensure.

Then Dr. Cooper moved to recess the meeting to conduct the oral and jurisprudence licensure examinations. Dr. Lashley seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

The Board went into recess and the oral and jurisprudence licensure examinations were conducted for the following applicants:

- **JONES, ALAINA JANA E**
- **KNIGHT, CHAD MICHAEL**
- **CARSON, MATTHEW NEAL**
- **STANTON, JARED ALAN**
- **ANWAR, NOREEN**
- **DARTSON, MICAELA VARDELL**
- **MCCONN, TIMOTHY PATRIC**

Dr. Lashley moved to reconvene the meeting. Dr. Golda seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Dr. Cooper moved to approve the following applications for licensure pending completion of the files and successfully passing the oral and written licensure examinations:

- **JONES, ALAINA JANA E**
- **KNIGHT, CHAD MICHAEL**
- **CARSON, MATTHEW NEAL**
- **STANTON, JARED ALAN**
- **ANWAR, NOREEN**
- **DARTSON, MICAELA VARDELL**
- **MCCONN, TIMOTHY PATRIC**

Dr. Rose seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

There being no new business, Dr. Cooper moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Golda seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative. The time was 11:50 a.m.