KENTUCKY BOARD OF PODIATRY REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES December 13, 2024

A regular meeting of the Kentucky Board of Podiatry was held on December 13, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. via Microsoft Teams teleconferencing and in person in the Mayo-Underwood Hearing Room 133CW at 500 Mero Street, Frankfort, KY, 40601.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Timothy Ford, DPM Paul Krestik, DPM Keith Myrick, DPM Thomas Childress, DPM

DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL

LICENSING Kristen Lawson, Commissioner Jamar Carter, Executive Staff Advisor Gabriel Dent, Boards & Commissions Specialist

MEMBERS ABSENT

R. Neil Lively

<u>OTHERS</u>

Daniel Leffel, Board Counsel

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Keith Myrick called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m.

MINUTES

Timothy Ford made a motion to approve the August 9, 2024, meeting minutes. Paul Krestik seconded the motion and the motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Board reviewed the Financial Reports from August 2024, September 2024, October 2024, and November 2024. The Board had no questions.

DPL REPORT

No report.

Keith Myrick inquired about the timeline for payment to Capital Solutions. Board Specialist reported payment is set for disbursement either during or after the 2025 legislative session.

LEGAL REPORT

Daniel Leffel appeared from the Office of Legal Services to present the legal report on behalf of Board Counsel Sara Janes.

An update was provided on 201 KAR 25:031. The regulation is ready to file and counsel recommends holding for a regulation package to file along with 201 KAR 25:080.

An update was provided on 201 KAR 25:080. The amendment changes to the regulation are still pending due to staffing shortages. A new attorney has been hired to the office of legal services and Board Counsel should have the regulation updated soon.

A Legal Opinion on Issuing Licensee Fines was provided for Board review. The Board will review the legal opinion during the discussion of Board complaints.

A legislation update was provided on SB28 from the 2024 legislative session.

OLD BUSINESS

The Board was provided with an update on the status of the RFP for a Board Investigative Services contract. The RFP hasn't yet been filed but will be filed shortly by fiscal and it is expected that proposals will come in during January 2025 or February 2025. The Board discussed appointments to the Investigative Services Contract Scoring Committee. Keith Myrick made a motion for Paul Krestik, Keith Myrick and Timothy Ford to be on the Investigative Services Scoring Committee. Paul Krestik seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board Specialist presented a November 2024 OIG KASPER Non-Compliance Report for Board review. Discussion was deferred until closed session.

The Board Specialist provided potential 2025 Board of Podiatry Meeting Dates for review. Paul Krestik motioned to approve April 11, August 8, and December 12 as the 2025 meeting dates for the Board of Podiatry. Thomas Childress seconded that motion, and the motion carried.

The Board Specialist provided the 2024 Q2 KASPER Quarterly Trend Report and the 2024 Q3 Quarterly Trend Report for Board review.

The Board Specialist provided the 2024-2025 annual update from FPMB for Board review.

CLOSED SESSION

Paul Krestik moves and Thomas Childress seconds entering closed session at 9:55 a.m. pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(j) for deliberations of quasi-judicial bodies regarding complaints at which information protected by KRS 61.810(1)(k) may be discussed.

Keith Myrick moves and Paul Krestik seconds returning to open session and the motion carried.

Keith Myrick announces the time returning from closed at 10:24 a.m.

OIG KASPER NON-COMPLIANCE REPORT

Board Specialist to send R.C., R.S., and S.S letters and follow up verifications reminding them to register with KASPER for an active account.

INTERVIEW CANDIDATES

The Board reviewed the following 4 applications for licensure.

- M.B. H.F.
- R.D. J.D.

The Boards recommendation is to approve all four applications for licensure.

SETTLEMENTS/JUDGEMENTS REPORTS

The Board reviewed the following settlements and provided the following recommendations:

• M.H. Settlement: No further action.

COMPLAINTS/MALPRACTICE/ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

The board reviewed the following complaints/malpractices/administrative hearings and provided the following recommendations:

- **2024-BOP-00002:** Dismiss complaint with a \$500 fine for non-compliance and offer the right to an administrative hearing.
- **2024-BOP-00003** Dismissal with a private admonishment regarding the number of judgements/complaints within the last few years.
- J.V. Settlement: Letter acknowledging judgement with no further action.
- **M.F. Malpractice:** Letter acknowledging judgement with no further action.

Timothy Ford made a motion to accept the Board's recommendation for the applications, complaints, settlements and judgements. Paul Krestik seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

NEXT MEETING

April 11, 2024.

TRAVEL

There was no travel of board members to approve.

ADJOURN

Timothy Ford made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:27 a.m. Paul Krestik seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Keith Myrick, DPM, President/Chair