

VERMONT BOARD OF MEDICAL PRACTICE
Minutes of the December 07, 2022 Board Meeting
Remote via Teams

Unapproved

- **Call to Order; Call the Roll; Acknowledge Guests:**

Sarah McClain, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:07 PM

Members Present:

Richard Bernstein, MD; Richard Clattenburg, MD; Gail Falk; Matthew Greenberg, MD; Rick Hildebrant, MD; Suzanne Jones, PA-C; Leo LeCours; David Liebow, DPM; Stephanie Lorentz; Sarah McClain; Christine Payne, MD; Marga Sproul, MD; Robert E. Tortolani, MD.

Others in Attendance:

David Herlihy, Executive Director; Scott Frennier, Investigator; Jane Malago, Operations Administrator; Tracy Hayes, Licensing Specialist; Justin Sheng, AAG; Megan Campbell, AAG; Kurt Kuehl, AAG; George Belcher, Esq.

- **Approval of the Minutes of the November 2, 2022 and November 16, 2022 Board Meetings:**

Dr. Hildebrant moved to accept the minutes of the November 2, 2022 meeting. Dr. Liebow seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; recused: none; abstained: none.

Dr. Hildebrant moved to accept the minutes of the November 16, 2022 meeting. Dr. Liebow seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; recused: none; abstained: none.

- **Board Issues (Sarah McClain):**

S. McClain acknowledged the Board Staff for the hard work in completing the physician license renewal process, particularly Tracy Hayes.

S. McClain provided a reminder about the election of new officers to follow in the meeting and shared her appreciation for the support during her tenure.

- **Administrative Updates (David Herlihy):**

D. Herlihy shared thanks to Tracy Hayes, Kelly Lawler, and Jane Malago for their efforts during the renewal process.

D. Herlihy notified the Board that Dr. Burgee would not be renewing his license and therefore would no longer be serving on the Board or Licensing Committee. His decision to no longer be licensed prompted a discussion as to whether a physician member who has been appointed could serve out a term while not licensed. More than one section of Vermont law pertains and

the answer is not entirely clear. Ultimately it was decided that physician members need to be licensed to avoid the potential for appeals of any actions decided by the Board if there were an unlicensed physician member participating.

D. Herlihy noted that efforts continue to find candidates for public member position on the Central Committee as well as the new opening for a physician member on the Central Committee.

D. Herlihy shared that there are efforts being made to create a SharePoint access page for Board Members in place of HSIN.

- **Presentation of Applications:**

Applications for physician, physician assistant, and limited temporary physician licensure were presented and acted upon as detailed in Appendix A, incorporated by reference into these minutes.

S. McClain moved for the issuance of physician licenses and physician assistant licenses. (See Appendix A)

Dr. Hildebrant made a motion to accept all applicants for licensure as presented. Seconded by Dr. Liebow. The motion passed; opposed: none; abstained: none; recused: none.

S. McClain moved for the issuance of limited temporary licenses to practice medicine. (See Appendix A)

Dr. Greenberg made a motion to accept all applicants for licensure as presented. Seconded by Dr. Tortolani. The motion passed; opposed: none; abstained: none; recused: none.

- **Other Business:**

Election of Board Officers for 2023

Dr. Liebow announced the slate of candidates for Board Offices for 2023: Dr. Hildebrant nominated as President, Dr. Greenberg nominated as Vice President, and Dr. Liebow nominated as Secretary.

Dr. Clattenburg made a motion to approve the slate of Dr. Hildebrant as President, Dr. Greenberg as Vice Chair, and Dr. Liebow as Secretary. Seconded by L. LeCours. The motion passed; opposed: none; abstained: none; recused: none.

Procedures for Imposition of Nondisciplinary Financial Penalties

D. Herlihy introduced a draft version of procedures for imposition of nondisciplinary financial penalties. He explained that the procedures are to provide internal guidance regarding the process for proposing nondisciplinary financial penalties as provided for in Vermont Law and the Board Rule, Section 71.

L. LeCours made a motion to approve the procedures as presented. Dr. Tortolani seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; abstained: none; recused: none.

Proposed Interstate Compact for Physician Assistants

D. Herlihy introduced members to proposed legislation that has been developed for physician assistants to be able to practice in states that may adopt the proposed language as law. The law was developed by a group that included the American Academy of Physician Assistants. The proposal is different from the law that created the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact. The principal difference is that the proposal does not provide for licensure of PAs in additional states but would instead grant them privileges to practice in participating states. D. Herlihy will keep members informed as to whether the proposal is introduced for consideration by the Vermont General Assembly.

- **Convene hearing to discuss any stipulations or disciplinary matters that are before the Board (1:15 PM):**

In re: Farhaad R. Riyaz, MD – Stipulation and Consent Order – Matter MPC 012-0122

Judge George Belcher inquired if the Respondent or counsel would attend; K. Kuehl stated that they had indicated they would not. Judge Belcher invited Kurt Kuehl, Esq. to present the matter. K. Kuehl addressed the Board, summarizing the facts leading up to the Stipulation and Consent Order. Dr. Hildebrant made a motion to approve the Stipulation and Consent Order. Dr. Liebow seconded the motion.

J. Malago recorded the roll-call vote: The motion passed; Yeas: Dr. Richard Bernstein, Leo LeCours, Sarah McClain, Dr. Marga Sproul, Dr. Rick Hildebrant, PA-C Suzanne Jones, Dr. David Liebow, Dr. Robert Tortolani, Stephanie Lorentz. Opposed: none; Abstained: none; Recused: Central Committee.

- **Hearing Concluded at 1:30 PM**
- **Reconvene meeting; Executive Session to Discuss:**
 - **Investigative cases recommended for closure**
 - **Other matters that are confidential by law, if any**

Dr. Hildebrant made a motion at 1:32 PM to enter Executive Session to discuss confidential matters related to investigations. Dr. Greenberg seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; recused: none; abstained: none.

- **Return to Open Session; Board Actions on matters discussed in Executive Session:**

Dr. Bernstein made a motion at 1:54 PM to return to Open Session. Dr. Clattenburg seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; recused: none; abstained: none.

L. LeCours, North Investigative Committee, asked to close:

MPN 094-0922 – Special #1

Dr. Clattenburg made a motion to close the cases presented. S. Lorentz seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; abstained: none; recused: North Investigative Committee.

Dr. Payne, Central Investigative Committee, asked to close:

MPC 075-0822 – Letter #1
MPC 076-0822 – Letter #1
MPC 074-0822 – Letter #1
MPC 150-0921 – Special #1
MPC 060-0622 – Special #1

PA Jones made a motion to close the cases presented. Dr. Hildebrant seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; abstained: none; recused: Central Investigative Committee.

- **Upcoming Board meetings, committee meetings, hearings, etc.:** **Locations are subject to change. A notification will be provided if a change takes place.**
 - **December 15, 2022, North Investigative Committee Meeting, 9:00 AM, [Remote via Teams](#)**
 - **December 16, 2022, Central Investigative Committee Meeting, 9:00 AM., [Remote via Teams](#)**
 - **December 21, 2022, Board Meeting on pending applications, 12:10 PM, [Remote via Teams](#)**
 - **December 21, 2022, South Investigative Committee Meeting, 12:15 PM, [4th Floor Conference Room, Bloomer State Office Building, Rutland, VT and remote via Teams](#)**
 - **January 4, 2023, Licensing Committee Meeting, 11:00 AM, [Remote via Teams](#)**
 - **January 4, 2023, Board Meeting, 12:00 PM, [Remote via Teams](#)**

- **Open Forum:**

D. Herlihy offered a thank you to previous officers and a congratulations to newly elected officers.

D. Herlihy provided a reminder for the open positions for members to become a part of the Licensing Committee and that there are still two open positions for the Central Committee for both a public and a physician member.

- **Adjourn:**

S. McClain declared the meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM.

Appendix A**PRESENTATION OF FULL APPLICATIONS****December 7, 2022**

Note: Applicants listed below have been notified that their applications for licensure appear to be complete and may be presented at the next scheduled Board Meeting.

**** Must pass through licensing prior to being presented.**

Name	School	Specialty	Practice Location
Bamberger, Stephan MD	Columbia university	Occfupational Medicine	Springfield Hospital
**Barnas, Matthew MD	Rutgers	Psychiatry (BC)	Pelorus Elder Health
Berkowitz, Ross MD	Boston University	OB/GYN (BC)	Brigham and Womens
Blazar, Eric MD	Northeast Ohio Medical Univ.	Emergency Medicine (BC)	Carlos Otis
**Brown, Jacqueline MD	Jefferson Medical College	OB/GYN (BC)	Gifford
Buchbinder, Elizabeth MD	Tufts University	Internal Medicine (BC)	Dana Farber
Carroll, Thomas MD	Wright State University	Otolaryngology (BC)	Brigham and Womens
**Chess, David MD	Creighton University	Internal Medicine	Tapestry
**Coll, Jonathan MD	Wright State University	Diagnostic Radiology (BC)	StatRad
D'Amario, Emily PA-C	Le Moyne College	Unknown	SWVMC ER
Degidio, Jon-Michael AA-C	University of Florida	Anesthesiology	CVMC dept of Anes.
Dhingani, Darshan MD	Baroda Medical School	Internal Medicine (BC)	Telemedicine
Donahue, Joseph MD	Boston University	Emergency Medicine (BC)	Carlos Otis
Duma, Narjust MD	Universidad Catolica Nord (dom Repub)	Internal Medicine (BC)	TBD
Fenton, Joshua MD	University of Tennessee	Emergency Medicine (BC)	TBD
Flint, Danette MD	Dartmouth	Internal Medicine (MD)	DHMC
**Foster, William MD	Duke	Ophthalmology (BC)	Private Practice
Freedman, Rachel MD	Georgetown University	Internal Medicine (BC)	Dana Farber Cancer Inst.
Gargiulo, Antonio MD	Seconda University (Italy)	OB/GYN (BC)	Brigham and Women's
Gleaton, Astrid MD	Tufts University	Surgery	Mt. Ascutney

Golper, Thomas MD	Indiana University	Internal Medicine (BC)	UVMMC
Hendricks, David MD	Ross University (Dominica)	Addiction Medicine (BC)	Berkshire Mountain Health
Hogan, James PA-C	Stony Brook University	Unknown	UCM Digital Health
**Holland, Pamela MD	University of Kentucky	Internal Medicine (BC)	Centene Corporation
**Howard III, Robert MD	Dartmouth	OB/GYN (BC)	Gifford Medical Center
Jaffer, Farouc MD	University of Pennsylvania	Internal Medicine (BC)	TBD
**Jolayemi, Adeola MD	Thomas Jefferson University	Family Practice (BC)	TBD
**Kanabar, Sudhin MD	University of London	Neurology (BC)	CVMC
** Lee, Eudocia MD	Washington University	Neurology (BC)	Dana Farber Cancer
**Nasiri, Papia MD	Amer. University of Antigua (Antigua)	Family Practice (BC)	Telemedicine
Nimec, Donna MD	University of Colorado	Physical Medicine (BC)	UVMMC
**Palmer, Christopher MD	University of Alabama	Orthopedic surgery(BC)	Gifford Medical Center
Parry, Erin MD	John Hopkins University	Internal Medicine (BC)	TBD
Rana, Huma MD	Robert Wood Johnson	Internal Medicine (BC)	Dana Farber Cancer
**Raote, Aparna MD	Padmashree Patil Med College (India)	Psychiatry (BC)	Timely
Shaver, Thomas MD	George Washington University	Psychiatry (BC)	Innovatel Psychiatry
Terrazzino, Hannah PA-C	University of Colorado	Unknown	TBD
**Weinstein, Debra MD	NY University	Internal Medicine (BC)	TBD
Yurgelun, Matthew MD	Columbia University	Medical Oncology (BC)	TBD

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Presentation of Limited Temporary License Applications for Board Approval

26 VSA Section 1391 (e) authorizes a limited temporary license to practice medicine/Podiatry in the State of Vermont for a period of one year only. The following persons have applied for limited temporary licenses:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Hospital</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Type</u>
Benert, Joseph MD	Sports Medicine	Killington	12/01/22	MD
Bennett, Dylan MD	Sports Medicine	Killington	12/1/22	MD
Lamb, Casey MD	Surgery	DHMC	12/1/22	MD

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These applications appear to have met the requirements. The Board, pursuant to 26 VSA Section 1391 (e), grants to each of them a limited temporary license.

**PRESENTATION OF FULL APPLICATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN ISSUED THROUGH THE
COMPACT**

Note: Applicants listed below have already received a license through the compact.

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Credential Number	Name
<u>042.0016560-COMP</u>	Mark David Alter
<u>042.0016561-COMP</u>	Frank Brancaccio
<u>042.0016562-COMP</u>	Benjamin Keith Brooks
<u>042.0016563-COMP</u>	DENISE BROWN
<u>042.0016564-COMP</u>	Michael William Donnino
<u>042.0016565-COMP</u>	Sara Kristine Flores
<u>042.0016566-COMP</u>	Andrea Denise Goodwin
<u>042.0016567-COMP</u>	Taher Mustafa Gulamhusein
<u>042.0016568-COMP</u>	Saba Haq
<u>042.0016569-COMP</u>	Maura Jane Holcomb
<u>042.0016570-COMP</u>	Kenneth G Kau
<u>042.0016571-COMP</u>	Jessica Kimi Kelley
<u>042.0016572-COMP</u>	Sunitha Korapati
<u>042.0016573-COMP</u>	Victor Vahid Lami
<u>042.0016574-COMP</u>	James David Lawrence
<u>042.0016575-COMP</u>	Matthew Madison Leonard
<u>042.0016576-COMP</u>	Donna Lorenzo-Bueltel
<u>042.0016577-COMP</u>	Gary Craig Mallis
<u>042.0016578-COMP</u>	Keith Ronald Mills
<u>042.0016579-COMP</u>	Asunta Moduthagam
<u>042.0016580-COMP</u>	Idrees Mohiuddin
<u>042.0016581-COMP</u>	Gavin Moreland
<u>042.0016582-COMP</u>	Neelima Paladugu
<u>042.0016583-COMP</u>	Mitra Dean Poorak
<u>042.0016584-COMP</u>	Ruth Reeves
<u>042.0016585-COMP</u>	Hector Luis Rivera Reyes
<u>042.0016586-COMP</u>	Brett Charles Shulman
<u>042.0016587-COMP</u>	Steven Wegert

<u>042.0016588-COMP</u>	Victoria Williams
<u>042.0016589-COMP</u>	Amanda Wilson
<u>042.0016601-COMP</u>	Jasreem Kaur Bhullar
<u>042.0016602-COMP</u>	Terence Hamel
<u>042.0016603-COMP</u>	John Marcell Hawrot
<u>042.0016604-COMP</u>	Kimberly N/A Middleton
<u>042.0016605-COMP</u>	Delaney Smith
<u>042.0016606-COMP</u>	Graeme M Tolson
<u>042.0016607-COMP</u>	Maggie Anna Camille Williams