

NEW MEXICO MEDICAL BOARD
Emergency Board Meeting – October 3, 2023
2055 S. Pacheco Street, Suite 400
Santa Fe, NM 87505

MINUTES

MEETING MADE PUBLIC VIA ZOOM AND TELECONFERENCE

Video Conferencing: Kaen Carson, MD, Chair
Eric Anderson, MD, Vice Chair
Kathy Johnson, PA, Secretary Treasurer
Mark Unverzagt, MD
Kristin Reidy, DO
Eileen Barrett, MD
Peter Beaudette, MD
Bradley Scoggins, DO
Buffie Saavedra, Public Member - EXCUSED

Others Present: Amanda Quintana, Interim Executive Director
Steve Jenkusky, MD, Medical Director
Debbie Dieterich, Investigations Manager
Monique Parks, Licensing Manager
Ann Pacheco, Administrative Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Dr. Carson, after establishing the presence of a quorum, called the September 29, 2023, Emergency Board Meeting of the New Mexico Medical Board to order at 12:34 pm, roll call was completed.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION was made by Dr. Carson to approve the agenda. **SECONDED** by PA Johnson **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Anderson, Dr. Barrett, Dr. Unverzagt , Dr. Beaudette, PA Johnson, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Reidy. **EXCUSED:** Ms. Saavedra. **MOTION CARRIED.**

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Complaint Committee Reports, Licensing Requests, Actions.

MOTION was made by Dr. Carson to go into Executive Session pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H) (1) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss matters pertaining to the issuance, suspension, renewal or revocation of a license and disciplinary matters. **Seconded** by Dr. Anderson. **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Anderson, Dr. Barrett, Dr. Unverzagt , Dr. Beaudette, PA Johnson, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Reidy. **EXCUSED:** Ms. Saavedra. **MOTION CARRIED.**

OPEN SESSION

The Board returned to open session. Dr. Carson stated for the record that the matters discussed in executive session were limited only to those specified in the motion for closure.

5. COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee C: [KC, KJ]

Cases#2022-C-075 Recommendation was made by Dr. Carson to close the case with an advisory letter reminding physician about the use of chaperones with female patients. **YES:** Dr. Barrett, Dr. Unverzagt, Dr. Beaudette, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Anderson and Dr. Scoggins. **RECUSED:** Dr. Carson and PA Johnson. **EXCUSED:** Ms. Saavedra. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Case#NMMB20230113 Recommendation was made by Dr. Carson for closure of the case and issuance of a license. **YES:** Dr. Barrett, Dr. Unverzagt, Dr. Beaudette, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Anderson and Dr. Scoggins. **RECUSED:** Dr. Carson and PA Johnson. **EXCUSED:** Ms. Saavedra. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Case#NMMB20230128 Recommendation was made by Dr. Carson to order physician to undergo an evaluation for professional misconduct/poor boundaries to be conducted by Professional Renewal Center or comparable program (Acumen, Pine Grove Evaluation Center). Physician's license will remain inactive until receipt of evaluation report and then the case will be returned to the Board for further review and action. If physician does not accept, a notice of contemplated action will be issued based on, but not limited to, interaction with patients that could adversely affect patient care; conduct unbecoming; failure to report adverse action; conduct likely to harm and possible incompetency. **YES:** Dr. Barrett, Dr. Unverzagt, Dr. Beaudette, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Anderson and Dr. Scoggins. **RECUSED:** Dr. Carson and PA Johnson. **EXCUSED:** Ms. Saavedra. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Case#NMMB20230186 Recommendation was made by Dr. Carson to offer physician the chance to voluntarily surrender his medical license. If physician does not accept, a notice of contemplated action will be issued to revoke licensure based on, but not limited to, sexual contact with a patient; conduct likely to deceive and harm the public; gross negligence; ethical violations; failure to report adverse action; and interaction with patients and family members that could adversely affect patient care. **YES:** Dr. Barrett, Dr. Unverzagt, Dr. Beaudette, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Anderson and Dr. Scoggins. **RECUSED:** Dr. Carson and PA Johnson. **EXCUSED:** Ms. Saavedra. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Case#NMMB20230188 – Case Tabled.

Committee D: [BSJ, PB]

Case#2020-D-020 – No Board vote required on this case.

Case#NMMB20230114 Recommendation was made by Dr. Scoggins to offer physician applicant the chance to withdraw his application while under investigation. If physician applicant does not accept offer, a notice of contemplated action to deny licensure will be issued based on, but not limited to, adverse licensure action in another state, misrepresentation on an application, incompetency to practice. **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, PA Johnson, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Anderson and Dr. Unverzagt. **RECUSED:** Dr. Scoggins and Dr. Beadette. **EXCUSED:** Ms. Saavedra. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Case#NMMB20230127 Recommendation was made by Dr. Scoggins to offer physician applicant the chance to withdraw his application for licensure while under investigation. If physician applicant does not accept offer, a notice of contemplated action will be issued to deny licensure based on, but not limited to, incompetency to practice. **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, PA Johnson, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Anderson and Dr. Unverzagt. **RECUSED:** Dr. Scoggins and Dr. Beadette. **EXCUSED:** Ms. Saavedra. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Case#NMMB20230221 Recommendation was made by Dr. Scoggins for closure of the case and issuance of a medical license contingent upon a favorable NMHPWP Assessment Report. If the Report indicates otherwise, case will return to the Board for amendment of vote in November. **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, PA Johnson, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Anderson and Dr. Unverzagt. **RECUSED:** Dr. Scoggins and Dr. Beadette. **EXCUSED:** Ms. Saavedra. **MOTION CARRIED.**


Case#NMMB20230232 – Case moved to November Meeting.

10. Adjourn

There being no further business before the Board, Dr. Carson adjourned the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:  DATE: 11/09/2023
Amanda Quintana, Interim Executive Director

APPROVED BY:  DATE: 11/09/2023
Karen Carson, M.D., Chair

APPROVED BY:  DATE: 11/09/2023
Eric Anderson, M.D., Vice Chair