

**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**January 11, 2024 9:35 AM – 12:35 PM**

Members Present: Melissa Michaud, PA-C, Board Chair; John Brewer, DO, Board Secretary; Christine Munroe, DO, Gust Stringos, DO, Brian Gillis, DO, Lisa Ryan, DO, Paul Vinsel, D.O., and Peter Michaud, Public Member.

Others Present: Rachel MacArthur, Executive Secretary; Faith McLaughlin, Consumer Liaison; Lisa Wilson, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General; Detective David Caron, Office of the Attorney General; Emily Bloch, Esquire.

Present By Zoom: Heidi Bean, Esquire; Saleh Ghani, Executive Director, Maine Osteopathic Association; Zack Mazzone; Aaron Kincaid; Ken Lehman, Esquire; Taylor Fawns, Esquire; Megan Hayes.

Complaint and investigative reviews are held in Public Session without the use of any names unless otherwise noted.

**I. COMPLAINTS**

**A. CR2023-19 Dr. Gust Stringos, Case Reporter**

Following review and discussion, Board members took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Ms. Michaud, seconded by Dr. Vinsel and voted 6 – 1 to dismiss the complaint, as it did not rise to a level which would warrant any Board action. Mr. Michaud was opposed. Case Reporter did not vote.

**B. CR2023-24 Dr. John Brewer, Case Reporter**

Following review and a lengthy discussion, Board members took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Mr. Michaud, seconded by Ms. Michaud, and voted unanimously to dismiss the complaint, as it did not rise to a level which would warrant any Board action, and issue a letter of guidance. Case Reporter did not vote.

**C. CR2023-28 Dr. Gust Stringos, Case Reporter**

Following review and a lengthy discussion including an Executive Session from 10:38 AM to 10:59 AM, the Board members took this action:

**MOTION:** To offer a Consent Agreement with a reprimand, \$5,000 fine, and surrender of license for two years. Motion was made by Ms. Michaud, seconded by Dr. Ryan, and voted unanimously in favor. Case Reporter did not vote.

**D. CR2023-29 Mr. Peter Michaud, Case Reporter**

Following review and discussion, Board members took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Dr. Stringos, seconded by Dr. Munroe, and voted unanimously to deny reconsideration of the prior dismissal, as it was determined that even with the additional documentation provided by the complainant, it did not rise to a level which would warrant any Board action. Case Reporter did not vote.

**E. CR2023-50 Dr. Paul Vinsel, Case Reporter**

Following review and a lengthy discussion, Board members took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Dr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Michaud, and voted unanimously to dismiss the complaint, as it did not rise to a level which would warrant any Board action. Case Reporter did not vote.

**F. CR2023-61 Dr. Paul Vinsel, Case Reporter**

Following review and discussion, Board members took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Dr. Stringos, seconded by Dr. Brewer, and voted unanimously to dismiss the complaint, as it did not rise to a level which would warrant any Board action. Case Reporter did not vote.

**INVESTIGATIONS**

**G. IN2023-57 Dr. John Brewer, Case Reporter**

Following review and discussion, Board members took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Mr. Michaud, seconded by Dr. Stringos, and voted unanimously to table the investigation, pending further information in this matter. Case Reporter did not vote.

**H. IN2023-72 Dr. John Brewer, Case Reporter**

Following review and discussion, Board members took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Dr. Stringos, seconded by Mr. Michaud, and voted unanimously to table the investigation, pending a subpoena for records regarding this matter. Case Reporter did not vote.

**I. IN2024-01 Dr. Christine Munroe, Case Reporter**

Following review and additional information from Lisa Wilson, Board members took this action:

**MOTION:** Made by Dr. Ryan, seconded by Dr. Vinsel, and voted unanimously to table the investigation, pending further information in this matter. Case Reporter did not vote.

**COMPLIANCE**

**A. CR2021-38 Michael Landrum, DO**

Dr. Ryan feels that the licensee is progressing well. No further action taken at this time.

**B. CR2022-09 Samuel Moss, DO**

Mr. Michaud feels that the licensee is progressing well. No further action taken at this time.

**II. Minutes & Revenue/Expense Reports**

**A.** Dr. Munroe made a motion to accept the October and November Meeting Minutes as written. Dr. Vinsel seconded, motion passed unanimously.

**III. Other Business**

**A.** Ms. Michaud discussed the LD 2043 Physician's Assistant Compact Concept Draft, and that the BoLiM testified, neither for nor against the proposal. A request was made to provide the Osteopathic Licensing Board more information and notice of legislative hearings; Ms. Michaud indicated she has done so.

- B. IMLC's 2023 Annual Report was included for review.
- C. Information from Noah Nesen regarding Controlled Substances Stewardship was included for Board Review.
- D. Updated info re: Military Spouse Licensing was included for Board Review.
- E. FSMB's email with a NY Times Op-Ed re: "MeToo For Doctors" was included for Board Review.

#### **IV. Licensure Matters**

##### **A. Jennifer Salisbury - Request for Extension re: CMEs**

**MOTION:** Made by Mr. Michaud, seconded by Ms. Michaud, and voted unanimously to allow for a six-month extension.

##### **B. Review of Permanent Licensure Applications**

Following prior review of the permanent licensure application submitted, the Board unanimously approved the applications submitted by: Desiree Lerro, DO; Greg McDavitt, DO; Jay Roop, DO, and Kathleen Rutecki, DO.

#### **VII. Adjournment**

**MOTION:** Made by Dr. Ryan, seconded by Dr. Munroe and voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel MacArthur, Executive Secretary