



Board of Chiropractic

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UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE
VERMONT BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC
DECEMBER 3, 2019 MEETING

Present: Vernon Temple, D.C., James McDaniel, D.C. and Michael Sommers, D.C.; Staff Present:
Director Lauren Hibbert, Staff Attorney Lauren Layman and Diane Lafaille, Licensing Administrator I.

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.
2. Dr. McDaniel moved, seconded by Dr. Sommers, to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2019 meeting as written. Approved.
3. Other Business:
 - a. Director Hibbert attended the Board meeting to discuss the budget. She stated that at this time the Office will not be recommending any fee increase or decrease.
 - b. The Vermont Chiropractic Association emailed the Board asking if internal coccyx adjustments are within the chiropractic scope of practice. The Board advised that it is.
 - c. The Board asked where the Radiologic Technology Advisers were in its rules in defining a course for chiropractors with radiology privileges to complete to renew this privilege. The Board will continue to search for courses to recommend to the Advisers for chiropractors to be able to utilize for both initial endorsement of the radiology specialty and for renewal of the specialty. The Board will be reaching out to Bruce Fox, who is a radiology diplomate of the American Chiropractic Board of Radiology and teaches radiology at Life University in Marietta, Georgia, and inquire if he knows of any courses that may be available for chiropractors to take.
 - d. At the Board's previous meeting it asked if it could obtain statistics on complaints received for the past 5 years. Attorney Layman reported that there have been 4 complaints in the past 10 years that have resulted in disciplinary action. To date the Board has 7 pending investigations. Two are in screening and 5 are under investigation.
 - e. The Board approved for Dr. McDaniel to be the delegate to the FCLB and for Dr. Temple to be the delegate to NBCE for the following years, January 2020 to January 2021
 - f. Legislative Survey – Attorney Layman stated that the OPR Bill that will be submitted to legislature this year is more workforce issues in Title 3. She said there was nothing specific for the Board of Chiropractic. She said that specifically that OPR intends to propose the following:
 - Barrier to access
 - Pre determination regarding criminal background
 - Endorsement from other states – Uniform policies/a substantially equivalent definition
 - Bridge licensure
 - Continuing education hours across professions

- Nurse compact
- Home Contractors

Attorney Layman explained to the Board how to monitor a bill.

- g. The Board's next meeting is scheduled for March 17, 2020 to begin at 1:30 p.m.
4. The Board adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Lafaille, Licensing Administrator I