

Office of Professional Regulation
BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIANS & SURGEONS
Unapproved Minutes
March 9, 2006
10:00 A.M.

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

Board Members present: Howard Jonas, D.O., Chair; William Cove, D.O. Vice-Chair; Mary Mazzariello; and Ad-Hoc member John Peterson, D.O.
Absent: Paul Donovan, D.O. and John Welch, Esq.

OPR Staff present: Larry S. Novins, Board Counsel; Edward Adrian, Esq.; Judith Cutler, Esq.; Carla Preston, Unit Administrator; and Kara Shangraw, Staff Secretary.

Others present: J. Davis Buckley, Esq.; William Birge, DO; Palmer Peet, DC; and James LaMonda.

2. The Chair called for approval of the Minutes of the September 22nd meeting. Dr. Jonas noted under Reports that the recommended amount for the fee increase should have been \$800.00 and that the Board agreed to increase the fee to \$750.00. Dr. Cove made a motion, seconded by Ms. Mazzariello, to approve the Minutes of the September 22, 2005 meeting as corrected. Motion passed unanimously.

3. **Hearings/Stipulations Review:**

At 10:00 a.m. The Board reviewed the *Stipulation and Consent Order* in the matter of Docket numbers OS06-0305/OS05-0105 (William Birge). The Respondent was present. Edward Adrian, Prosecuting Attorney was present for the State. Attorney Novins presided for the Board. The Board went into deliberative session at 11:08 a.m. and out at 11:20 a.m. Based on the information submitted, the Board accepted the *Stipulation and Consent Order* as modified. Motion passed 4-0. Dr. Jonas, Investigating member, did not participate in the vote.

4. **Reports:**

The planned meeting with the Physical Therapists did not take place, therefore guests Palmer Peet and James LaMonda did not stay but may attend a future meeting.

5. **Legislation/Rulemaking:**

Attorney Novins updated the Board on the proposed legislation.

6. **Complaints/follow-up cases:**

OS01-0905-The Board reviewed the Report of Concluded Investigation. Dr. Cove made a motion, seconded by Ms. Mazzariello, to accept the Investigative Team's recommendation and conclude this case without charges. Motion passed. Dr. Donovan, Board Investigator, was not present.

6. Complaints/follow-up cases continued:

OS02-1105-The Board reviewed the Report of Concluded Investigation. Dr. Cove made a motion, seconded by Dr. Peterson, to accept the Investigative Team's recommendation and conclude this case without charges. Motion passed. Dr. Donovan, Board Investigator, was not present.

OS07-0405-The Board reviewed the Report of Concluded Investigation. Dr. Peterson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Mazzariello, to accept the Investigative Team's recommendation and conclude this case without charges. Motion passed. Dr. Donovan, Board Investigator, was not present.

The Board asked if it were possible to screen out such cases prior to opening them. Attorney Novins and Ms. Preston will discuss procedures with the Director.

7. Applications/Discussion:

The following applications were previously reviewed and approved by members of the Board. Dr. Cove made a motion, seconded by Ms. Mazzariello, to formally approve the following applicants for licensure. Motion passed unanimously.

Doherty, Maureen Linnell, Grant Vinsel, Paul

8. Newsletter Topics:

9. Correspondence:

- a. Dr. Cove gave a report about the October 25th meeting of the AAOE which he attended.
- b. The Board reviewed and noted the various correspondence.

10. Federation of State Medical Boards Correspondence:

- a. The Board reviewed and noted the August, September, October, November, December 2005 & January 2006 edition of "NewsLine."

11. Other Business Introduced by the Board

12. Public Comment

- 13.** Ms. Mazzariello made a motion, Seconded by Dr. Cove, to adjourn the meeting at 12:25 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kara Shangraw
Staff Secretary
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