

Vermont Secretary of State - Office of Professional Regulation
Board of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons
89 Main St, 3rd Floor, Montpelier, VT 05620-3402
Approved Minutes
September 11, 2014

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:08 am

Board Member(s) present: Daniel Wilson, DO, Chair; John Peterson, DO, Vice-Chair; Mimi Kevan, Public Member, Secretary; John Welch, Esq., Public Member; and Scott Perrapato, DO.

OPR personnel present: Larry Novins, Esq., Board Counsel and Aprille Morrison, Licensing Board Specialist.

Others present: Charles Merriman

2. The Chair called for approval of the Minutes of the June 12, 2014 meeting. Mr. Welch made a motion, seconded by Dr. Peterson, to approve the Minutes as written. Motion passed.

3. **Hearings/Stipulations/Reports of Concluded Investigations:**

Default Hearing Re.: Christian Nahas, docket #'s 2010-136, 2010-137, 2010-393 and 2011-48. Dr. Nahas was represented by Charles Merriman in the above cases. Annika Green, OPR prosecutor, presented a stipulation and consent order for the Boards review at the meeting. The Board voted to accept the stipulation and consent order as presented with the condition that a signed document from Dr. Nahas be received in OPR by the end of business on September 11th. If a signed copy is not received the Board will issue a default order revoking Dr. Nahas' Vermont license as well as revoking his privileges for reinstatement of his Vermont license.

4. **Case Managers Report:**

The Board presently has six (6) cases. One (1) case is currently under investigation, one (1) is in the intake process and four (4) are pending hearing to be dealt with at today's meeting.

5. **Application formal approval:**

Mr. Welch made a motion, seconded by Ms. Kevan, to approve the following applicants for licensure as an Osteopathic Physician. Motion passed unanimously. Dr. Perrapato abstained from approving Dr. Tracy Perrapato's application.

Earl Frantz
Kelly Gilliland
Tracy Perrapato

Irene Krechetoff
Mark Nuqui

John Mecchella II
Matthew Lombardi

6. Discussion:

Administrative Rules and Statutes Revisions – Mr. Novins presented the Board with revised copies of the current Statutes and Administrative Rules for their consideration. Mr. Welch made a motion to accept the Statutes and Rules as revised and move forward with the Rules changing process. Ms. Kevan seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Mr. Novins informed the Board about the proposed Title 3 change for licensees and inactive status. Ms. Kevan made a motion to accept the proposal as presented. Mr. Welch seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Naturopath Prescription Report – Ms. Morrison informed the Board about the new examination for Naturopathic Physicians who wish to have prescribing capabilities in Vermont as Mr. Klein was not in attendance at the meeting.

Budget Report – Director Winters was not available for the meeting, however Ms. Morrison will forward the Board members the budget information when it's available.

2015 Meeting Dates – The currently scheduled dates for 2015 Board meetings are as follows: March 12, June 18 and September 10.

7. Other Business Introduced by the Board:

As the next scheduled meeting is not until March 2015 Ms. Kevan requested the Board nominate delegates for the April 2015 FSMB meeting. Mr. Welch nominated Dr. Peterson as the delegate and Ms. Kevan as the alternate delegate. Motion passed unanimously.

8. Election of Officers:

Dr. Perrapato made a motion to keep the current Board officers to stay the same, Dr. Wilson as chair, Mr. Welch as Vice-Chair and Ms. Kevan as Secretary. Motion passed unanimously.

9. Dr. Wilson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:23 pm. Ms. Kevan seconded the motion. Motion passed. The next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, March 12, 2015** at 10:00 am.