

FLORIDA | Board of Osteopathic Medicine

February 24, 2017 Meeting



MEETING MINUTES
Board of Osteopathic Medicine
General Business Meeting
February 24, 2017
9:00 a.m.

Sheraton Suites
555 NW 62nd Street
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309
(954) 772-5400

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Michelle Mendez, Chair, at approximately 9 a.m.

Those present for all or part of the meeting included the following:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Michelle R. Mendez, DO, Chair
Joel B. Rose, DO
Anna Hayden, DO
Bridget Bellinger, DO
Sandra Schwemmer, DO, Vice-Chair
Valerie Jackson, Consumer Member
Alicia Janson, Consumer Member

BOARD STAFF PRESENT:

Kama Monroe, Executive Director
Donna McNulty, Board Counsel
Carol Taylor, Program Administrator

MEMBERS ABSENT:

COURT REPORTER:

Downtown Reporting, LLC
(954) 522-3376

OTHERS PRESENT:

Matthew Witters, Prosecuting Attorney
Louise St. Laurent, Prosecuting Attorney

Please note that the meeting minutes reflect the actual order that agenda items were discussed during the meeting and may differ from the agenda outline.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & PLEDGE OF OSTEOPATHIC COMMITMENT:

I pledge to: Provide compassionate, quality care to my patients; Partner with them to promote health; Display integrity and professionalism throughout my career; Advance the philosophy, practice and science of osteopathic medicine; Continue life-long learning; Support my profession with loyalty in action, word and deed; and Live each day as an example of what an osteopathic physician should be.

DISCIPLINARY CASES:

Settlement Agreements

Tab 1 – Scott David Yagger, D.O. – Settlement Agreement Case No. 2015-29426

PCP: Moran/Hayden

Respondent was present and sworn in. Respondent was not represented by counsel.

Dr. Anna Hayden was recused due to participation on the probable cause panel.

Matthew Witters represented the Department and presented the case to the Board. Allegations of the Administrative Complaint: violation of Section 456.072(1)(q), FS (2014-2015), for failure to comply with a lawful order of the department or the board, or failing to comply with a lawfully issued subpoena of the department by failing to comply with the Final Order in case number 2012-14325, filed on June 5, 2013.

The terms of the Settlement Agreement are: appearance; reprimand; fine in the amount of \$3000.00 payable within 30 days from the filing of final order; reimbursement of costs for the investigation and prosecution of this case, payable within 30 days of filing of final order (current costs are \$550.92); and suspension of Respondent's license until Respondent demonstrates compliance with each and every term of the Final Order in case number 2012-14325 filed on June 5, 2013.

Motion: by Dr. Schwemmer, seconded by Dr. Rose, to accept the settlement agreement.

Motion carried.

Tab 2 – Robert Israel Boorstein, D.O. – Settlement Agreement Case No. 2015-28751

PCP: Andriole/Bellingar

Respondent was present and sworn in. Respondent was not represented by counsel.

Dr. Bellingar was recused due to participation on the probable cause panel.

Louise St. Laurent represented the Department and presented the case to the Board. Allegations of the Administrative Complaint: Section 459.015(1)(b), FS (2015), by having a license or the authority to practice osteopathic medicine revoked, suspended, or otherwise acted against, including the denial of licensure, by the licensing authority of any jurisdiction, including its agencies or subdivisions by having Respondent's license to practice osteopathic medicine in Michigan disciplined.

The terms of the Settlement Agreement are: appearance; letter of concern; reimbursement of costs for the investigation and prosecution of this case, payable within 30 days of filing of final order (current costs are \$414.52); and completion of 5 hours of continuing education in Risk Management within one year of filing of final order, Respondent shall submit a written request to the Board Chair for approval prior to performance of said continuing medical education course(s).

Dr. Boorstein verbally acknowledged for the record that the signature on the settlement agreement is his and he will abide by the settlement agreement.

Motion: by Dr. Hayden, seconded by Ms. Janson, to accept the settlement agreement.

Motion carried.

Tab 3 – Carlo P. Maiorano, D.O. – Settlement Agreement Case No.2014-09625
PCP: Moran/Hayden

Respondent was present and sworn in. Respondent was represented by counsel, Parker D. Eastin, Esquire.

Dr. Hayden was recused due to participation on the probable cause panel.

Louise St. Laurent represented the Department and presented the case to the Board. Allegations of the Administrative Complaint: Section 456.072(1)(cc), FS (2013), for leaving a foreign body in a patient, such as a sponge, clamp, forceps, surgical needle, or other paraphernalia commonly used in surgical examination, or other diagnostic procedures when Respondent left a foreign body-a fragment of spinal needle-in patient D.M.'s back when he provided anesthesia on or about March 20, 2014.

The terms of the Settlement Agreement are: appearance; letter of concern; fine in the amount of \$5000.00 payable within 30 days from the filing of final order; reimbursement of costs for the investigation and prosecution of this case, payable within 30 days of filing of final order (current costs are \$2,249.14); completion of 8 hours of continuing education in Prevention of Medical Errors within one year of filing of final order, (Respondent shall submit documentation of completion of the course within thirteen months of the filing of the final order); and presentation of an original one hour lecture on a specific topic to medical staff of a hospital or ambulatory surgical center at which the Respondent maintains staff privileges or to an osteopathic medical society meeting, one component of the lecture must address the specific events arising from the Respondent's disciplinary matter in this case.

Motion: by Dr. Bellingar, seconded by Dr. Rose, to accept the settlement agreement.
Motion carried.

Tab 4 – (WITHDRAWN) Ronnie Ali, D.O. – Settlement Agreement Case No.2016-16213
PCP: Andriole/Bellingar

This case is being placed on the May agenda.

Tab 5 — Gerald M. Hoffman, D.O. – Settlement Agreement Case No.2011-17735
PCP: Andriole/ Mendez

Respondent was present and sworn in. Respondent was represented by counsel, John Strohsahl, Esquire.

Dr. Mendez was recused due to participation on the probable cause panel. Dr. Schwemmer chaired this portion of the meeting.

Matthew Witters represented the Department and presented the case to the Board. Allegations of the Administrative Complaint: Count one-violation of section 459.015(1)(x), FS (2010-2011), by committing medical malpractice, as defined in Section 456.50(1)(g), Florida Statutes (2010-2011), by failing to practice medicine in accordance with the level of care, skill, and treatment recognized in general law related to health care licensure in the treatment of N.Z.; Count two- violation of section 459.015(1)(x), FS (2010-2011), by committing medical malpractice, as defined in Section 456.50(1)(g), Florida Statutes (2010-2011), by failing to practice medicine in accordance with the level of care, skill, and treatment recognized in general law related to health care licensure in the treatment of C.A.; Count three-violation of section violation of section 459.015(1)(x), FS (2010-2012), by committing medical malpractice, as defined in Section 456.50(1)(g), Florida Statutes (2010-2012), by failing to practice medicine in accordance with the

level of care, skill, and treatment recognized in general law related to health care licensure in the treatment of R.B.-T.; Count four-violation of violation of section 459.015(1)(x), FS (2010-2011), by committing medical malpractice, as defined in Section 456.50(1)(g), Florida Statutes (2010-2011), by failing to practice medicine in accordance with the level of care, skill, and treatment recognized in general law related to health care licensure in the treatment of M.M.; Count five-violation of Section 459-015(1)(t), Florida Statutes (2010-2011), by prescribing, dispensing, administering, mixing, or otherwise preparing a legend drug, including any controlled substance, other than in the course of osteopathic physician's professional practice in the treatment of N.Z.; Count six-violation of Section 459-015(1)(t), Florida Statutes (2010-2011), by prescribing, dispensing, administering, mixing, or otherwise preparing a legend drug, including any controlled substance, other than in the course of osteopathic physician's professional practice in the treatment of C.A.; Count seven-violation of Section 459-015(1)(t), Florida Statutes (2010-2012), by prescribing, dispensing, administering, mixing, or otherwise preparing a legend drug, including any controlled substance, other than in the course of osteopathic physician's professional practice in the treatment of R.B.-T.; Count eight-violation of Section 459-015(1)(t), Florida Statutes (2010-2011), by prescribing, dispensing, administering, mixing, or otherwise preparing a legend drug, including any controlled substance, other than in the course of osteopathic physician's professional practice in the treatment of M.M.; Count nine-violation of Section 459.015(1)(o), Florida Statutes (2010-2011), by failing to keep legible, as defined by department rule in consultation with the board, medical records that identify the licensed osteopathic physician or the osteopathic physician extender and supervising osteopathic physician by name and professional title who is or are responsible for rendering, ordering, supervising, or billing for each diagnostic or treatment procedure and that justify the course of treatment of the patient, including, but not limited to, patient histories; examination results; test results; records of drugs prescribed, dispensed, or administered; and reports of consultations and hospitalizations in the treatment of N.Z.; Count ten- violation of Section 459.015(1)(o), Florida Statutes (2010-2011), by failing to keep legible, as defined by department rule in consultation with the board, medical records that identify the licensed osteopathic physician or the osteopathic physician extender and supervising osteopathic physician by name and professional title who is or are responsible for rendering, ordering, supervising, or billing for each diagnostic or treatment procedure and that justify the course of treatment of the patient, including, but not limited to, patient histories; examination results; test results; records of drugs prescribed, dispensed, or administered; and reports of consultations and hospitalizations in the treatment of C.A.; Count eleven - violation of Section 459.015(1)(o), Florida Statutes (2010-2012), by failing to keep legible, as defined by department rule in consultation with the board, medical records that identify the licensed osteopathic physician or the osteopathic physician extender and supervising osteopathic physician by name and professional title who is or are responsible for rendering, ordering, supervising, or billing for each diagnostic or treatment procedure and that justify the course of treatment of the patient, including, but not limited to, patient histories; examination results; test results; records of drugs prescribed, dispensed, or administered; and reports of consultations and hospitalizations in the treatment of R.B.-T.; Count twelve - violation of Section 459.015(1)(o), Florida Statutes (2010-2011), by failing to keep legible, as defined by department rule in consultation with the board, medical records that identify the licensed osteopathic physician or the osteopathic physician extender and supervising osteopathic physician by name and professional title who is or are responsible for rendering, ordering, supervising, or billing for each diagnostic or treatment procedure and that justify the course of treatment of the patient, including, but not limited to, patient histories; examination results; test results; records of drugs prescribed, dispensed, or administered; and reports of consultations and hospitalizations in the treatment of M.M.

The terms of the Orally Amended Settlement Agreement are: Appearance, Reprimand, fine in the amount of \$10,000.00 payable within 24 months from the filing of final order; reimbursement of costs for the investigation and prosecution of this case, payable within 24 months of filing of final order (costs are capped at \$14,000.00); completion of CEs to include "Quality Medical Record Keeping for Health Care Professionals" sponsored by the Florida Medical Association, or a Board approved equivalent and "Legal and Ethical Implications in the Practice of Medicine-A Physician's Survival Guide" sponsored by the Florida Medical Association, or a Board approved equivalent within 12 months of the filing of the Final Order,

submission of documentation reflecting successful completion of this medical education course within 13 months of the filing of the Final Order, Respondent's license shall be placed on probation for a period of 2 years, Respondent's license shall be restricted to indirect supervision during the period of probation; Respondent shall have a monitor during the period of probation with terms/conditions for both Respondent and Respondent's monitor as reflected in the Final Order.

Motion: by Dr. Rose, seconded by Dr. Bellingar, to reject settlement agreement as presented.
Dr. Hayden opposed.
Motion carried.

Motion: by Rose, seconded by Schwemmer, to propose a counter-offer.
Dr. Hayden and Ms. Janson opposed.
Motion carried 4-2.

Counter-offer made to include all of the terms and conditions of the original settlement agreement with the oral amendments as presented to the board, in addition to the following: licensee to complete the University of Florida drug course; licensee to complete 5 hours of education in diagnosis, management and treatment of anxiety conditions, including the appropriate prescribing of benzodiazepines, to be taken live; licensee will be permanently restricted from owning, operating and/or practicing in, a pain management clinic; licensee will be permanently restricted from ordering and/or prescribing and/or from delegating the ordering and/or prescribing by anyone of Schedule I or Schedule II drugs as defined in Section 893.03 Florida Statutes (2016) and may from time to time be redefined by Florida Statutes; licensee will be restricted from prescribing, ordering or delegating the prescribing or ordering of benzodiazepines until such time as he has successfully completed all CMEs and he has provided documentation to the board showing proof of completion; licensee may petition to appear before the board to lift restrictions and board reserves jurisdiction to impose further conditions.

Licensee allowed seven days to accept.

Voluntary Relinquishments

Tab 6– David Allen Norfleet, D.O.–Voluntary Relinquishment – Case No.2015-11742
PCP: Moran/Hayden

The Department requested that the Board entertain a Motion Accepting the Voluntary Relinquishment executed by Respondent in resolution of this case.

Motion: by Dr. Schwemmer, seconded by Dr. Rose, to accept Voluntary Relinquishment.
Motion carried.

PROSECUTION SERVICES REPORT

Tab 7 – February 2017 Report

Mr. Witters stated the inventory as of February 6th is 107 cases.

Mr. Witters stated there is currently 56 cases that are 1 year or older and asked the Board to consider allowing PSU to continue to prosecute those cases.

Motion: by Dr. Rose, seconded by Ms. Jackson, to allow PSU to continue prosecuting cases one year and older. Motion carried

Tab 8 - PSU ENFORCEMENT UPDATE OF 381.986 AND ARTICLE X SECTION 29

Ms. St. Laurent addressed the Board regarding prosecution of cases using standard of care set by the Board through rulemaking. She provided several specific disciplinary guidelines examples for the Board to assist in the regulation of Amendment 2.

Ms. Monroe to inform Board of Medicine that Dr. Rose, Dr. Schwemmer and Dr. Mendez are willing to participate as permanent members of a joint committee for this issue should the Board of Medicine wish to form a joint committee. Remaining board members would serve as alternate members and would be dependent on the city wherein the meetings are held.

PROBATION AND COMPLIANCE REVIEW MODIFICATION OF FINAL ORDER/LIFT PRACTICE RESTRICTION

Tab 9 – Debra Roggow, DO – OS6278

Respondent was present and sworn in. Respondent was not represented by counsel.

Motion: by Dr. Rose, seconded by Dr. Bellingar, to reject the petition to lift restriction regarding pain management clinics but to grant the petition to lift the restriction regarding Schedule IIs with the following terms and conditions:

Respondent shall obtain a Florida licensed certified risk manager to evaluate her practice and provide an implementation plan to comply with the Florida laws and rules for prescribing controlled substances; the report is to be submitted to board chair for approval that Respondent has complied with the risk manager report; the board delegated authority to the chair to review the report and compliance thereof and to approve the lifting of the restriction upon compliance; once the board chair determines that the Respondent has complied with the risk manager report the restriction regarding Schedule IIs is to be lifted and immediately followed by one year of indirect supervision by a Florida licensed MD or DO who practices in the area and that is board certified by the AOA or ABMS in physical medicine and rehabilitation; Respondent is to maintain a log of all patients prescribed Schedule II drugs; the log shall include the medicine prescribed, diagnosis that led to prescription, reason for controlled substance medication, dates of urinary drug screens, and acknowledgment that monitor has checked the PDMP; Monitor will review 25% of the medical chart review of those patients prescribed Schedule IIs; Monitor to review log for appropriateness of case; Monitor will also check Respondent has not prescribed Schedule IIs for more than 50% of her patients within any month; both Respondent and monitor will provide quarterly reports for one year; both Respondent and monitor will appear before the board at the first meeting of the board after commencement of supervision and the last meeting of the board preceding termination of the supervision; the board confers temporary authority on the Chair to temporarily approve Respondent's monitor.

Motion carried.

APPLICANTS FOR FULL LICENSURE

Tab 11- Ali Mortazavi

Applicant was present without counsel. Applicant was sworn in by the court reporter.

Action Taken: After discussion, Dr. Hayden moved to grant the license unencumbered. Dr. Rose seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Tab 12- Daniel Hohler

Applicant was present without counsel. Applicant was sworn in by the court reporter.

Action Taken: After discussion, Dr. Bellingar moved to grant the license unencumbered. Dr. Hayden seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Tab 13 – Louis Jacobs

Applicant was not present.

Action Taken: After discussion, Dr. Bellingar moved to grant the license unencumbered. Dr. Hayden seconded the motion. Dr. Mendez opposed. Motion carried.

Tab 14- Gary Ross

Applicant was present without counsel. Applicant was sworn in by the court reporter.

After discussion, Dr. Rose moved to deny the license but allow the applicant 14 days to withdraw his application, Dr. Schwemmer seconded the motion. Motion failed.

Dr. Hayden made motion that failed due to lack of a second.

Action Taken: After discussion, Dr. Bellingar moved to deny the license but allow the applicant 14 days to withdraw his application, Dr. Rose seconded the motion. Motion carried. Applicant will take the 14 days.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Tab 10 – November 18, 2016 General Business Meeting Minutes

Verbal amendment to minutes to reflect on page 3, tab 2 Andrew Aron Seltzer, Dr. Hayden made a motion which was seconded by Dr. Rose and to amend the spelling of Dr. Chaundry's name.

Motion: by Dr. Bellingar, seconded by Dr. Hayden, to approve meeting minutes as verbally amended. Motion carried.

RATIFICATION OF LICENSURE

Tab 15 - Ratification of Full Licenses Issued 10/27/2016– 2/3/2017

Motion: by Dr. Hayden, seconded by Dr. Bellingar, to approve ratification of Full Licenses issued. Motion carried.

Tab 16 - Ratification of Resident Registration Licenses Issued 10/27/2016– 2/3/2017

Motion: by Dr. Bellingar, seconded by Ms. Janson, to approve ratification of Resident Registration Licenses issued. Motion carried.

BOARD CHAIRMAN REPORT – Michelle Mendez, DO

No report to present.

BOARD COUNSEL REPORT - Donna McNulty, Esq.

Tab 17 – January 2017 Rules Report

Tab 18 – February 2017 Rules Report

Board Counsel, Donna McNulty presented the January and February rules reports to the board. The board members had no questions regarding the reports.

RULE DISCUSSION – Donna McNulty, Esq.

Tab 19 - Rule 64B15-12.005, FAC Limited Licensure

Ms. McNulty stated Rule 64B15-12.003 Applications for Licensure was before the board to address the JAPC concerns. Ms. McNulty advised the board of JAPC concerns and the modifications that were made to the application.

Motion: by Dr. Schwemmer, seconded by Ms. Janson, to approve modifications. Motion carried.

Motion: by Dr. Hayden, seconded by Dr. Schwemmer, that the proposed changes will not make an adverse impact on small business and proposed changes would not directly or indirectly increase regulatory costs to any entity including government in excess of \$200,000.00 in aggregate in Florida within one year after the implementation of the rule. Motion carried.

Tab 20 - Rule 64B15-6.01051 and Rule 64B15-6.011, FAC PA Citation Authority and Disciplinary Guidelines

Ms. McNulty stated that Rule 64B15-6.01051 and Rule 64B15-6.011 were opened for development at the December Board of Medicine PA meeting and this is the actual language to go along with that.

Motion: by Dr. Rose, seconded by Ms. Janson, to approve. Motion carried.

Motion: by Dr. Hayden, seconded by Ms. Janson, that the proposed changes will not make an adverse impact on small business and proposed changes would not directly or indirectly increase regulatory costs to any entity including government in excess of \$200,000.00 in aggregate in Florida within one year after the implementation of the rule. Motion carried.

Tab 21 – Rule 64B15-7.003, FAC Application for Licensure and Licensure Requirements for Anesthesiologist Assistants

Tab 24 - Rule 64B15-7.012, FAC Fees Regarding Anesthesiologist Assistants

Ms. McNulty stated that Rules, 64B15-7.003 and 64B15-7.012 were before the board to address a one-time fee reduction for AAs initial licensure and biennial renewal. For osteopathic medicine it is proposed that the current subsection 9 be removed. By statute, both the rules for medicine and osteopathic medicine need to be the same.

Motion: by Dr. Hayden, seconded by Dr. Schwemmer, to approve the rules. Motion carried.

Motion: by Dr. Hayden, seconded by Dr. Schwemmer, that the proposed changes will not make an adverse impact on small business and proposed changes would not directly or indirectly increase regulatory costs to any entity including government in excess of \$200,000.00 in aggregate in Florida within one year after the implementation of the rule. Motion carried.

Tab 22 – Rule 64B15-7.009, FAC AA Citation Authority

Tab 23 – Rule 64B15-7.010, FAC AA Disciplinary Guidelines

At the request of board counsel, tabs 22 and 23 were combined for the rule discussion.

Rule 64B15-7.009 and Rule 64B15-7.010 which are AA citation authority and AA disciplinary guidelines. The Boards of Medicine and Osteopathic Medicine have opened up rule development and language is now being presented to both boards; the Board of Medicine has already approved the language. This is for the purpose of implementing the provisions in the statute.

Motion: by Dr. Hayden, seconded by Dr. Schwemmer, to approve the rules. Motion carried.

Motion: by Dr. Hayden, seconded by Dr. Schwemmer, that the proposed changes will not make an adverse impact on small business and proposed changes would not directly or indirectly increase regulatory costs to any entity including government in excess of \$200,000.00 in aggregate in Florida within one year after the implementation of the rule. Motion carried.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Tab 25 - Travel Reimbursement Process for Board Member Travel 2017

Ms. Monroe noted the information was self-explanatory but she would entertain questions. Ms. Monroe will e-mail an information update regarding rental cars on Monday, February 27, 2017. Individual responses to the questions posed will be provided.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT – Kama Monroe, J.D., Executive Director

Tab 26 – Anti-Trust update

Ms. Monroe informed the Board that the anti-trust informational items were provided for board review and they consisted of everything that had been provided to every other board. She informed the Board that board member's attorney costs will be covered. She further noted it is recommended the members follow their counsel's advice.

Tab 27 – Office Surgery Inspections

Ms. Monroe informed the Board that the letter was placed on the agenda to ensure awareness of the change in the Office Surgery Inspection process.

Tab 28 - AAOE Summit Report

Ms. Monroe noted that Dr. Hayden provided this summary report of the AAOE's January summit.

Ms. Monroe further noted a couple of items not on the agenda. Ms. Monroe introduced the new Program Administrator, Carol Taylor.

Ms. Hayden recognized Ms. Monroe and Ms. Taylor for their presence at the FOMA convention.

Ms. Monroe informed the board that the Board of Medicine has requested the board formally appoint members to a joint subcommittee on telemedicine. The subcommittee will officially conduct their first meeting on April 6th and 7th, at the Board of Medicine meeting in Fort Lauderdale at the instant hotel. The board noted that they already have a committee consisting of Dr. Rose, Dr. Schwemmer and Dr. Hayden.

Tab 29 - ULA Update Regarding Providing a Presentation at a Future Board Meeting

Ms. Monroe informed the board that a ULA representative will be attending the May 19, 2017, board meeting and will provide a 15-20 minute PowerPoint presentation.

JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING UPDATES - Joel Rose, DO

COUNCIL ON PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT'S REPORT – Joel Rose, DO

Tab 30 – Roll Call from 12/1/2016 Meeting

Tab 31 - Minutes from 12/1/2016 Meeting

Tab 32- Roll Call from 2/2/2017 Meeting

Tab 33 – Minutes from 2/2/2017 Meeting

Tab 34 - Summary from 2/2/2017 Meeting

Dr. Rose provided an update regarding the events from the December and February meetings.

ANESTHESIOLOGY ASSISTANTS COMMITTEE REPORT – Joel Rose, DO

Tab 35 – Roll Call from 2/2/2017 Meeting

Tab 36 – Minutes from 2/2/2017 Meeting

Dr. Rose made note that none of the AAs in Florida have had any disciplinary violations or complaints.

Dr. Schwemmer will arrange to have someone from Nova University speak to the board.

BUDGET LIAISON REPORT – Anna Hayden, DO

No report.

UNLICENSED ACTIVITY LIAISON REPORT – Sandra Schwemmer, DO

Report attached.

HEALTHY WEIGHT LIAISON REPORT – Bridget Bellingar, DO

Tab 37 – Healthiest Weight Florida Initiative updates since November 2016

Informational information is on the agenda for board's review.

OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Hayden noted confusion regarding scheduled attendance at the upcoming FSMB meeting in April and asked was it a budget issue. Dr. Hayden further stated that there was a meeting last year wherein a request was made that funds be budgeted for two additional board members to attend the FSMB convention. She added that it was for educational benefits. She informed the board that an additional three thousand six hundred dollars was allotted for that purpose. Attendance at the 2017 meeting was reviewed; noting Dr. Mendez is attending as a voting delegate through scholarship, an application for public member scholarship was submitted for Ms. Janson, Dr. Rose is attending through the board and Ms. McNulty is attending through the board. The board expressed its' desire that Dr. Schwemmer attend the convention and requested Ms. Monroe confirm the budget.

