

NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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Executive Director



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OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING

Held in the Conference Room at the Offices of the
Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners
1105 Terminal Way, Suite 301, Reno, Nevada 89502

and teleconferenced to

the Conference Room at the Offices of the Nevada State Board of
Medical Examiners/Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners
6010 S. Rainbow Boulevard, Building A, Suite 1, Las Vegas, Nevada 89118

FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 2018 – 12:00 NOON

Board Members Present at Board Office in Reno

None

Board Members Present at Board Office in Las Vegas

None

Board Members Present by Telephone

Mr. M. Neil Duxbury, Secretary-Treasurer

Ms. Sandy Peltyn

Victor M. Muro, M.D.

Ms. April Mastroluca

Aury Nagy, M.D.

Weldon Havins, M.D., J.D.

Board Members Absent

Rachakonda D. Prabhu, M.D., President

Wayne Hardwick, M.D., Vice President

Michael C. Edwards, M.D., FACS

Staff/Others Present at Board Office in Reno
Edward O. Cousineau, J.D., Executive Director
Jasmine K. Mehta, J.D., Deputy Executive Director
Robert Kilroy, J.D., General Counsel
Aaron Bart Fricke, J.D., Deputy General Counsel
Donald K. White, J.D., Deputy General Counsel
Laurie L. Munson, Chief of Administration and Information Systems
Pamela J. Castagnola, Chief of Investigations
Donya Jenkins, Finance Manager

Agenda Item 1

CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Roll Call/Quorum

The meeting was called to order by Secretary-Treasurer M. Neil Duxbury, at 12:03 p.m.

Mr. Cousineau took roll call of the Board members present via telephone. Board members not present were Rachakonda D. Prabhu, M.D., President, Wayne Hardwick, M.D., Vice-President, and Michael C. Edwards, M.D., FACS. Mr. Cousineau announced there was a quorum.

Agenda Item 2

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Duxbury asked whether there was anyone in attendance who would like to present public comment.

Cesar Malaga stated he is a Nevada resident and was there to request some assistance in a Nevada family court case in which he was involved. He explained that the mother of his child refuses to vaccinate their son, contrary to the standard of care and public health. He has been requested to provide an expert witness or witnesses to validate why vaccination is the right choice, especially considering that his son is a healthy boy, who is two years and nine months old. He said the CDC and the American Academy of Pediatrics recommend vaccination, and he has been told by several doctors why he has to vaccinate his child, but he cannot find one expert that can stand up and validate this in court, and asked the Board for help in this regard.

Mr. Cousineau asked Mr. Malaga to leave his contact information and said a member of the Board staff would contact him.

Agenda Item 3

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF NEW MEETING DATE FOR CANCELLED MARCH 2, 2018 BOARD MEETING

Mr. Cousineau stated that the Board members were all aware of the circumstances surrounding cancellation of the March 2 Board meeting, and explained there were two proposed dates before the Board for consideration as the new meeting date – April 12 or 13. He added that he had spoken to Dr. Prabhu the previous Friday, and suggested that the start time of the meeting be moved ahead to 9:00 a.m., to allow the southern Nevada Board members the option to travel to Reno the day of the meeting, rather than the day before.

Discussion ensued regarding the proposed dates, the start time for the meeting and available flights to Reno for the meeting.

Ms. Mastroluca moved that the meeting be held on April 13 at 9:00 a.m. Dr. Muro seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 4
PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Duxbury asked whether there was anyone in attendance who would like to present public comment. No public comment was received.

Agenda Item 5
ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Mastroluca moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Nagy seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Mr. Duxbury adjourned the meeting at 12:12 p.m.

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