



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery  
Meeting Minutes**

June 07, 2024  
9:00 a.m.

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On June 07, 2024, the Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery held a hybrid meeting at Department of Health, 111 Israel Road Southeast, Tumwater, WA 98501, Town Center 2, Room 153.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Shannon Phipps, DO, Chair  
Lisa Galbraith, DO, Vice Chair  
Kristen Pomeroy, DO  
Dustin Colegrove, DO  
Alex Sobel, DO  
Tania Hernandez, DO  
Kevin Ware, DO  
Yuri Tsirulnikov, DO

**STAFF PRESENT**

Becky McElhiney, Program Manager  
James Chaney, Executive Director  
Jonathan Chamrad, Program Support  
Alyssa Brazil, Administrative Assistant  
Shelly Buchanan, Staff Attorney  
Marlon Basco, Policy Analyst  
Pam Bright, Case Manager  
Heather Carter, Assistant Attorney General

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Amelia Boyd, Washington Medical  
Commission  
Hillary Norris, Washington Medical  
Commission  
Pamela Kolhmeir, Washington Medical  
Commission

**1. Call to Order/Introductions – DISCUSSION/ACTION**

Shannon Phipps, Chair, called the open public meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

**1.1.** Introductions were made of boards and staff.

**1.2.** Approval of agenda.

**MOTION:** A motion was made to approve the June 07, 2024, business meeting agenda. The motion was seconded and passed.

**1.3.** Approval of March 25, 2024, business meeting minutes.

**MOTION:** A motion was made to approve the March 25, 2024, business meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded and passed.

**2. Open Forum—DISCUSSION**

The purpose of the open forum is to provide the public an opportunity to address the board on issues of significance to or affecting osteopathic medical practice and that are not related to topics for which a rules hearing was or will be scheduled.

Comments shared included:

- No comments were shared at this time.

**3. WAC 246-853-650 Office-based Anesthesia – DISCUSSION/ACTION**

The board discussed whether to open rules on safe and effective analgesia and anesthesia administration in office-based to mirror updates to corresponding rules for allopathic physicians being considered by the Washington Medical Commission (WMC).

**MOTION:** A motion was made to file a CR101 to open WAC 246-853-650. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**4. 2025 Meeting Dates—DISCUSSION/ACTION**

The board discussed and reviewed board meeting dates for 2025.

**MOTION:** A motion was made to approve the proposed 2025 board meeting dates. The motion was seconded and passed.

**5. Operational/Delegation—DISCUSSION/ACTION**

**5.1.** The board reviewed for approval an updated signature delegation form. Amendments were proposed to the current form to change the delegation for SOCs and subpoenas to the supervising investigator.

**5.2.** The board reviewed for approval an updated decision-making delegation form.

**MOTION:** A motion was made to approve the updated delegation form with the proposed amendments. The motion was seconded and passed.

**6. Elections—DISCUSSION/ACTION**

The board held elections for officer positions for the next year.

**MOTION:** A motion was made to elect Lisa Galbraith, DO, as the new chair position to the board and Yuri Tsurulnikov, DO, as vice-chair. The motion was seconded and passed.

**7. Osteopathic Physician Application—DISCUSSION/ ACTION**

The board discussed implementation of recently approved updates to the osteopathic physician and surgeon credential application.

Due to the implementation of HELMS, online application updates are not currently available. The board agreed to update the paper application now, and the online application when possible.

**8. Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) Annual Meeting —DISCUSSION**

Attending board members and staff gave a report to the board on the April 18-20, 2024, FSMB Annual Meeting in Nashville, TN.

**9. Correspondence—DISCUSSION/ACTION**

The board reviewed and discussed any correspondence received since the last meeting. This could include requests for lists and labels or any other general questions or requests.

**9.1. Opinion statement from WMC regarding Substitute Senate Bill (SSB) 5389 Advanced optometric procedures**

The board agreed to issue a statement agreeing with the WMC's position.

**10. Program Reports—James Chaney, Executive Director; Becky McElhiney, Program Manager; Heather Carter, AAG Adviser**

- 10.1. Rules updates**
  - 10.1.1. Substitute Senate Bill 5496 substance use disorder**
  - 10.1.2. Five-year rule review**
  - 10.1.3. Opioid prescribing**
  - 10.1.4. WAC 246-853-080, Continuing education**
  - 10.1.5. WAC 246-853-020, Osteopathic medicine and surgery examination**
- 10.2. Payroll**
- 10.3. Collaboration with WMC**
- 10.4. Aesthetic Procedures Intra Agency Workgroup**
- 10.5. FGC Advisory Committee**
- 10.6. Recruitment update**

**11. Consent Agenda**

The board was provided with the most recent budget report.

**12. Future Business – DISCUSSION**

The board agreed to discuss defining the term “qualified physician” at a future meeting in response to current rule amendments by the Board of Optometry.

**13. Adjournment of public meeting—ACTION**

**MOTION:** A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and passed. The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

**14. Discipline, Settlement Presentations and Licensing**

The board attended to licensing, disciplinary matters, and settlement and/or agreed order presentations in closed session.

**Next Scheduled Meeting**

Date: September 13, 2024

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Hybrid Meeting

Respectfully submitted,

Becky McElhiney, Program Manager

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