



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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

January 24, 2025
9:00 a.m.

On January 24, 2025, the Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery held a hybrid meeting at Department of Health, 111 Israel Rd SE, Tumwater, WA 98501.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Lisa Galbraith, DO, Chair
Yuri Tsurulnikov, DO, Vice-Chair
Trice Konschuh, Public Member
Kristen Pomeroy, DO
Dustin Colegrove, DO
Alex Sobel, DO
Tania Hernandez, DO

STAFF PRESENT

Becky McElhiney, Program Manager
James Chaney, Executive Director
Jonathan Chamrad, Program Support
Alyssa Brazil, Administrative Assistant
Marlon Basco-Rodillas, Policy Analyst
Heather Carter, Assistant Attorney General
Catharine Roner-Reiter, Supervising Staff Attorney
Pam Bright, Case Manager
Kevin Taylor, Case Manager

OTHERS PRESENT

Hillary Norris, Washington State Medical Association (WSMA)

1. Call to Order/Introductions – DISCUSSION/ACTION

Lisa Galbraith, Chair, called the open public meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

1.1. Introductions were made of board members and staff.

1.2. Approval of January 24, 2025 agenda.

MOTION: A motion was made to approve of the January 24, 2025, business meeting agenda as presented. The motion was seconded and passed.

1.3. Approval of October 25, 2024 business meeting minutes.

MOTION: A motion was made to approve of the October 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. Presentation Regarding the Hearing and Summary Suspension Processes – PRESENTATION

Catharine Roner-Reiter, supervising staff attorney, provided a presentation regarding the hearing process and the summary suspension process.

4. Presentation Center Facilities Risk Adjudication– PRESENTATION

Matthew Herington, Review Judge, presented to the board regarding the hearing process.

5. Legislative Position Statement – DISCUSSION/ACTION

The board discussed an opinion statement to be used in response to certain legislative bills when support comments are requested from other professions.

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the legislative position statement with some amendments at the advice of Heather Carter, AAG. The motion was seconded and passed.

6. Military Spouse Temporary Practice Permit Rules – DISCUSSION/ACTION

The board discussed rules pertaining to the military spouse temporary practice permits.

MOTION: The board discussed the current military spouse temporary practice permit rules and determined the rules are in compliance with statutory language as currently written. A motion was made not to make changes at this time. The motion was seconded and passed.

7. Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) Annual Meeting - DISCUSSION/ACTION

The board discussed the Federation of State Medical Boards Annual Meeting on April 24-26, 2025, in Seattle, Washington.

MOTION: A motion was made to approve travel expenses for board members and staff to attend the FSMB Annual Meeting. The motion was seconded and passed.

8. September Board Meeting—DISCUSSION/ ACTION

The board considered holding the September 2025 business meeting in King County area.

- The board agreed to hold the September 2025 business meeting in the Renton/Kent area.

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. Prophylactic Prescribing of Medications opinion

- Ms. McElhiney will draft a response for the board's approval and respond to the constituent

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

10.1. Ms. McElhiney provided the board updates on the following rules projects:

10.1.1. WAC 246-853-080, Continuing education

10.1.2. Opioid Prescribing

10.2. Ms. McElhiney provided the board with an update on the ongoing recruitment process.

11. Consent Agenda

The board was provided with the most recent budget report.

12. Future Business – DISCUSSION

The board discussed agenda items identified or suggested for future business meetings.

13. Adjournment of public meeting—ACTION

MOTION: A motion was made to adjourn the business meeting. The motion was seconded and passed. The meeting adjourned at 10:30 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: March 24, 2025

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Hybrid Meeting

Respectfully submitted,

Becky McElhiney, Program Manager

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