

GUAM BOARD OF ALLIED HEALTH EXAMINERS

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

VIRTUAL VIA GoToMeeting

MINUTES

Friday, March 5, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Dr. Mamie Balajadia, Chair;
- Vincent Pereda, Vice-Chair;
- Catherine San Nicolas, Treasurer;
- Nadine Cepeda, Secretary;
- Sibyl Crisostomo, Member
- Dr. Dennis Triolo, Member;
- Dr. Richard Chong, Member;

- Dr. Gregory Miller, Member;
- Dr. Ryan Claros, Member
- Ray Tajalle, Member;
- Alesia Ogo, Member;
- Greg Cruz, Member;
- Dr. Paul Pomes, Member;

OTHERS PRESENT:

- Rob Weinberg, Asst Attorney General
- Zennia Pecina, Administrator, HPLO
- Rosemarie Carman, Staff, HPLO
- Deborah Borja, Administrative Assistant, HPLO
- Mr. John Roberts
- Chantay Benitez, FLAME TREE Freedom Center
- Eddy Reyes, FLAME TREE Freedom Center

TOPIC		DECISION(S) / ACTION(S) MADE	RESPONSIBLE PARTY	REPORTING TIMEFRAME	STATUS
I.	CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL	Confirmation of Public Notice on AG and DOA's website for virtual regular Board meeting via GoToMeeting Link - Meeting Called to order at 12:10pm.	Chair	12:10	Called to Order
II.	ADOPTION OF AGENDA	Approved - Motion: Sibyl Crisostomo, 2 nd Nadine Cepeda	GBAHE	12:13	Approved
III.	MINUTES OF February 5, 2021 MEETING	Approved the Minutes from Feb. 5, 2021 - Motion: Dr. Paul Pomes, 2 nd Ray Tajalle	GBAHE	12:14	Approved

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IV. TREASURER'S REPORT – <i>Catherine San Nicolas</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Catherine San Nicolas did not have a financial document to submit to the Board, but would like to report that under the coordination of HPLO leadership of Zennia Pecina, Board Treasurers' met several times to understand the financial documents that HPLO has compiled over past fiscal years and are briefed on how funds are allocated. - For FY2021, funds under HPLO were actually FY2020 funds that were rolled over. Legal Counsel requested that HPLO work with the Administrative Services Officer (ASO) of DPHSS on HPLO staffing pattern. - Boards' Treasurers will resume meeting next week and continue to meet on a weekly basis. GBAHE Treasurer should be able to submit financial status as she continues to attend the weekly meetings and learn the process. 	GBAHE Treasurer	12:17	Noted
V. HPLO ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT <i>Zennia Pecina</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Boards' Education, as required by public law is supposed to take place again, normally held annually. One session was held in 2019 and GBAHE Board members attended. All new board members are required to attend. Ethics Orientation Meeting is being planned for 2021. - Many attended the Public Hearing on Bill 43-36 on Emergency Procurement; which appeared to be supported by the senators. This bill will allow Boards to procure off-island healthcare experts in examining complaint cases, without going through the regular GSA procurement process, when no on-island Licensees are able to do so. Off-island Respiratory Therapist (RT) is being looked into to assist the Board in its current complaints against three (3) RT's at GMHA. - Noted that six (6) other complaint cases are under examination by Attorney Minakshi, who was retained under procurement. Requests were made to provide update on these cases at the next meeting. - Noted that on-going complaints need to be on the Agenda. 	HPLO	12:20	Noted
VI. OLD BUSINESS	<p>A. Legal Counsel Report – Robert Weinberg, Assistant Attorney General <i>Bill No.43-36; Public Hearing on 02/23/2021</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reported by the Chair that Legal Counsel is occupied with litigation, so with regrets, he is unable to attend to participate. However, the Chair reported that Dr. Berg, Chair of the Medical Board; Angelina Lape, Chair of the Social Work Board; and Bernadette Santos, Chair of the Nursing Board were present at this public hearing. Other than the Speaker of the 36th Guam Legislature, Senators present were Tony Ada, Chris Duenas, Sabina Perez, Telo Taitague, Telena Nelson, and JoAnn Brown. Others present were Claudia Acfalle, Chief Procurement Officer of GSA and her attorney Robert Kono, Edward Birn, DOA, Tommy Taitague, ASO of DPHSS and other public participants. <p>B. Workgroup Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sibyl Crisostomo reported that at the last meeting held on Thursday, it was the aim of the Workgroup to finalize and provide a report at the next GBAHE meeting. Noted that public mandates may need to be amended, along with the Rules and Regulations. <p>C. Committee on Continuing Education (CE) and Training on Ethics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Catherine San Nicolas reported the workgroup decided that 15 CE hours would be equal to 1 semester course and 10 CE hours will be equivalent to 1 quarter course. - Noted that the HPLO Administrator discussed Ethics Training in her HPLO Report. 	OAG	12:21	Noted
		GBAHE	12:24	Noted
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	<p>D. Follow-up on the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> RE off-island Respiratory Therapist (RT) search: Noted Sibyl Crisostomo was able to locate a RT on February 20, 2021 to review medical records and to submit an opinion. HPLO Administrator processed a requisition for immediate services. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noted that HPLO Administrator addressed the RT in her HPLO Report. Off-island Podiatrist(s) availability to assist on Complaint against Podiatrist Dr. Noel Silan: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noted Dr. Miller reported an email was sent to 3 Guam-licensed off island podiatrists to determine interest in taking on this case; no response to date. 	GBAHE	12:26	On-going
VII. NEW BUSINESS	<p>A. Initial/New Applications</p> <p><u>CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY</u> (reviewed by Dr. Balajadia)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Bertagnoli, Andrew <p><u>NUTRITIONIST/CLINICAL DIETITIAN</u> (reviewed by San Nicolas)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Mendez, Mia G. <p><u>OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST</u> (reviewed by Ogo)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Dacres, Ebony O. Klotzman, Michal Van Gorder, Ruth <p><u>SPEECH & LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY</u> (reviewed by Crisostomo)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Geiger, Haley B. Rehmer, Elizabeth Siko, Stephanie <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noted that all the above individuals were reviewed by the board members in the profession that they represent. Motion: Alesia Ogo, 2nd Nadine Cepeda <p>B. Renewal Applications</p> <p><u>ACUPUNCTURE</u> (reviewed by Dr. Chong)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Hong, Sung Hee Yoon, Jin Mo <p><u>AUDIOLOGIST</u> (reviewed by Dr. Triolo)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Koffend, Renee L.G. <p><u>CHIROPRACTIC</u> (reviewed by Dr. Miller)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Larkin, Lani M. 	GBAHE	12:35	Approved
		GBAHE	12:37	Approved

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	2. Larkin, Scott R. 3. Lipat, Christine T. <u>CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY</u> (reviewed by Dr. Balajadia) 1. Gartland, Diane <u>LICENSED MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELOR (LMHC)</u> 1. Babauta, Thomas C. (reviewed by Dr. Balajadia) 2. Guilliot, Rosemarie L. (reviewed by Dr. Balajadia) 3. Guilliot, Stephen P. (reviewed by Cepeda) 4. Perez, Carlos A. (reviewed by Cepeda) 5. Tolentino, Doris L. G. (reviewed by Cepeda) 6. Twaddle, Cristina M. (reviewed by Cepeda) <u>LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR (LPC)</u> 1. Aguon, Maria Teresa P. (reviewed by Cepeda) 2. Analista, Hernalin R. (reviewed by Cepeda) 3. Babauta, Thomas C. (reviewed by Dr. Balajadia) 4. Baza, Joleen A. (reviewed by Cepeda) 5. Butler, Brian B. (reviewed by Cepeda) 6. Camacho, Lavina Therese L. G. (reviewed by Cepeda) 7. Cortez, Hope Marie P. (reviewed by Cepeda) 8. Delos Reyes, Beverly Grace A. (reviewed by Cepeda) 9. Duenas, Athena M. (reviewed by Cepeda) 10. Guilliot, Rosemarie L. (reviewed by Dr. Balajadia) 11. Guilliot, Stephen P. (reviewed by Cepeda) 12. McGhee, Claudette (reviewed by Dr. Balajadia) 13. Munoz, Frances S. (reviewed by Cepeda) 14. Perez, Carlos A. (reviewed by Cepeda) 15. Romero, Amy C. (reviewed by Cepeda) 16. Rosario-Sanchez, Katrina (reviewed by Cepeda) 17. Sukola, Kelly R. (reviewed by Cepeda) 18. Tolentino, Doris L. G. (reviewed by Cepeda) 19. Toves, Louise M. (reviewed by Cepeda) <u>MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPIST (MFT)</u> 1. Babauta, Thomas C. (reviewed by Dr. Balajadia) 2. Camacho, Lavina L. G. (reviewed by Cepeda) 3. Guilliot, Rosemarie L. (reviewed by Dr. Balajadia)			

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Guillot, Stephen P. (reviewed by Cepeda) 5. La Fata, Ione R. (reviewed by Dr. Balajadia) 6. McGhee, Claudette (reviewed by Dr. Balajadia) 7. Perez, Carlos A. (reviewed by Dr. Balajadia) 8. Sukola, Kelly R. (reviewed by Cepeda) 9. Tolentino, Doris L. G. (reviewed by Cepeda) <p><u>NUTRITIONIST/CLINICAL DIETITIAN</u> (reviewed by San Nicolas)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Giannette, Sarah B. 2. Horinouchi, Keith M. (Note: Nutritionist Only) 3. McNinch, Jo-lan S. <p><u>OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST</u> (reviewed by A. Ogo)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hernandez, Krystina E. <p><u>OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT</u> (reviewed by A. Ogo)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bautista, Mary <p><u>PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT</u> (reviewed by Dr. Balajadia)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kang, Ku In 2. Orban, Piroska 3. Rama, Rosalyn <p><u>PHYSICAL THERAPY</u> (reviewed by R. Claros)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adajar, Christopher John A., Physical Therapist Assistant 2. Almares, Cherry Ann L. 3. Almonte, Glynis Grace S. 4. Alonzo, Kathrina May M. 5. Campos, Leonard P. 6. Cruz, Ana T. 7. Fernandez, Chris J. 8. Honculada, Joshua Cale C. 9. Honculada, Mary Ann S. 10. Mallari, Jonne Allen D. C. 11. Masaoka, Garrett R., Physical Therapist Assistant 12. Pagaduan, Marc R. 13. Pamintuan, Archaellus John D. V. 14. Rara, Allen P. 15. Roa, Junriel G. 			

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	<p><u>PODIATRIST MEDICINE</u> (reviewed by Dr. Miller)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Silan, Noel G. <p><u>REGISTERED RESPIRATORY THERAPIST</u> (reviewed by G. Cruz)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Mills, Chad L. Perez, Linda Rose <p><u>CERTIFIED RESPIRATORY THERAPIST</u> (reviewed by G. Cruz)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Wong, Niki W. <p><u>SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY</u> (reviewed by S. Crisostomo)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Bryan, Christina Marie; Speech Language Pathologist Franquez, Christine; Speech Language Pathologist Assistant, Bachelor's Level Heath, Stacy; Speech Language Pathologist Malicsi, Robin; Speech Language Pathologist Assistant, Master's Level Parrish, Grace; Speech Language Pathologist Payne, John Francis; Speech Language Pathologist Assistant, Bachelor's Level Taitano, Brianna; Speech Language Pathology Assistant, Bachelor's Level Torchiano, Dorotea T.; Speech Language Pathologist Torres, Marybeth; Speech Language Pathologist <p><u>VETERINARY MEDICINE</u> (reviewed by Dr. Pomes)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Tice, Harold S. 			
	<p>C. Collaborative Practice Agreement (CPA) for Physician Assistants</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Charest, Jaime, PA-C Heinrich, Tina, PA-C Helm, Bethany, PA-C Kang, Ku In, PA-C Kaufman, Karyn, PA-C King, Krystal, PA-C La, Tia, PA-C Lenartz, Amy, PA-C Marsh, Matthew, PA-C Ohno, Khampo, PA-C Orban, Piroska, PA-C Rama, Rosalyn, PA-C Snider, Ethan, PA-C 		12:38	Approved

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		14. Stanley, William, PA-C 15. Stratton, Walter, PA-C 16. Tuncap, Helene, PA-C - <i>Noted, all the above individuals were reviewed by the GBAHE members in the profession they represent, approved those listed above.</i> - Motion: Dr. Paul Pomes, 2 nd Ray Tajalle			
		D. Guam Election Commission: 2021 Statement of Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest DUE by COB Thursday, April 22, 2021.	Board Members GBAHE	12:38	Noted
VIII.	MISCELLANEOUS	A. Request of Mrs. Patricia Roberts to address the Board; RE Kevin Malakooti, DVM - Mr. John Roberts reported, on behalf of Mrs. Roberts, on their experience with Dr. Malakooti, Veterinarian. They have pointed out issues to Dr. Paul Pomes and Assistant AG Weinberg about their situation. Noted that they have been unable to have face-to-face meeting regarding the 10-day rule and the photo evidence; Noted they preferred a web-based GoToMeeting. They claim their dog came home with suture cuts where the tumor had been removed. - Noted, Dr. Paul Pomes reported that the 10-day delay makes it really difficult to establish the etiology of the wounds; therefore, unable to establish if it was Dr. Malakooti's or someone else's fault. - Noted, John Roberts alleges that documents appear to have been altered since the original documents provided on 10/31/2020 and 11/10/2020 differ from documents provided on 11/13/2020, where they had to wait 45 minutes outside the office before they received the documents. - Noted, John Roberts said that he has photo evidence of the injuries on their dog. - Noted, upon the request of the Chair, Mr. Roberts agreed to provide the allegations in writing and file the claim with the HPLO by next Wednesday, who in turn will provide the documentation to Dr. Pomes and AAG Weinberg for examination. - Noted, the HPLO Administrator stated that the claim was initially opened December 2020 and the case was closed on 5 February 2021; therefore, noted the same claim number, Case # 2020-12, will be used and the case will be re-opened.	GBAHE	12:50	Noted
IX.	NEXT MEETING	Next Meeting - Friday, April 2, 2021, at 12:00 noon	GBAHE	12:50	Noted
X.	ADJOURNMENT	Meeting adjourned at 12:51 pm. Motion: Nadine Cepeda, 2 nd Ray Tajalle	GBAHE	12:51	Adjourned

Reviewed by:  4/2/21 Secretary / Date
 Approved by:  04/12/2021 Chairperson / Date

Minutes by: Chantay Benitez, FLAME TREE Freedom Center, Inc.