

GUAM BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, August 14, 2019 - 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

- I. CALL TO ORDER:**
A. **CALLED TO ORDER** at 4:12 p.m. by GBME Chair.
- II. CONFIRMATION OF PUBLIC NOTICE:**
A. **CONFIRMED** the public notices issued on Guam Daily Post: 8/7/19 & 8/12/19.
- III. ROLL CALL:**
Members Present: Dr. Nathaniel Berg, Chairperson; Mr. Philip Flores, Vice-Chairperson; Dr. Vincent Duenas, Member; and, Dr. Arania Adolphson, Member
Members Absent: Dr. Annie Bordallo, Member, and Dr. Kia Rahmani, Member
Others Present: Assistant Attorney General Robert Weinberg, OAG; Roy Adonay, GRC; Myrna Leon Guerrero, HPLO; ~~Donna Perren~~, FTFC; and, John Salas, FTFC
Nanette Senior,
- IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** (July 31, 2019)
A. **APPROVED** the minutes as written. (M: P. Flores, S: Dr. V. Duenas)
- V. HPLO ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**
A. Noted that the HPLO Administrator was currently off-island; therefore, noted that the Chair shared the following information:
1. The Chair and HPLO Administrator will be attending the 2019 Tri-Regulatory Symposium, 9/26-27/19, in Frisco, Texas. Noted that this meeting takes place every two years and will allow the opportunity to liaise with the Pharmacy and Nursing Boards. Noted that the Chair will attend even if the trip is unfunded.
2. Board members are requested to review the Guam Medical Practice Act, which is the GBME's governing Rules and Regulations.
- VI. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:**
A. Medical Malpractice: Noted that the Chair will closely monitor this issue.
1. Noted that the Chair has invited the Speaker of the 35th Guam Legislature to attend a round table meeting with the Medical Society, which will address the pseudo-obligatory arbitrations.
2. Noted that Legal Counsel will present the GBME an overview of Medical Malpractice at the next meeting, so that the GBME is better informed of the legal requirements.
- VII. OLD BUSINESS:**
1. CO-19-01- Request for an appeal
A. **TABLED** pending Legal Counsel's review and response.
(M: Dr. N. Berg, S: P. Flores)

A. Noted the Chair's proposal to recognize Dr. ^{Rey Lim} ~~Gary Wynn~~ for his dedication and service with a gift and/or letter of appreciation.

3. Cannibus Commission:

A. Noted R. Adonay's comment that the Cannibus Commission is inquiring if physicians would be willing to partake in a survey to determine: how many are willing to, are not willing to, or are not willing to say if they would recommend that a patient be authorized to "purchase" marijuana for medicinal purposes.

X. **ADJOURNMENT:**

1. **ADJOURNED** at 5:57 p.m. (M: P. Flores, S: Dr. A. Adolphson)

APPROVED:  DATE: 9/11/19
GBME CHAIRPERSON
with admendments