

GUAM BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Department of Public Health and Social Services
Health Professional Licensing/EMS

Wednesday, February 17, 2021 4:00 P.M.
VIRTUAL – REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Access Code: 322-850-061

MINUTES

<p>MEMBERS PRESENT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Nathaniel Berg, Chairperson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Philip Flores, Vice Chairperson & Public Member <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Annie Bordallo, Member <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Arania Adolphson, Member <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Annette David, Member <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Scott R. Shay, Member <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Luis Cruz, Member 	<p>OTHERS PRESENT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robert Weinberg, Assistant Attorney General <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zennia Pecina, HPLO Administrator <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ciana Galindo, HPLO Board Secretary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deborah Borja, HPLO Admin Assistant <input type="checkbox"/> Natasha Charfauros, Sen. Therese Terlaje representative <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John O'Connor, Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ravin Ventura, UOG <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Curtis Vandeveld and Abner Pasatiempo, Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jerick Sablan, Public – Pacific Daily News <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chantay Benitez, FLAME TREE Freedom Center <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eddy Reyes, FLAME TREE Freedom Center
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TOPIC	DECISION(S) / ACTION(S) MADE	RESPONSIBLE PARTY	REPORTING TIMEFRAME	STATUS
I.	<p>CALL TO ORDER: 4:02 PM by Vice-Chairman. NOTE: Upon arrival, Dr. Berg assumed the his role as Chairman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Roll Call B. Confirmation of Public Notice AG & DOA'S website <p>Adoption of Agenda.</p>	CHAIR	4:02	Confirmed
II.	<p>ADOPTION OF AGENDA</p> <p>Approved minutes as amended dated January 13, 2021.</p>	GBME	4:04	Adopted
III.	<p>REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES</p> <p>Motion: Dr. Adolphson; 2nd: Dr. Bordallo</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted, Dr. Adolphson moves to amend the following: - Page 4 of 7 under VII Old Business. We did not discuss CO 20-002 but the minutes state "Noted, Dr. Adolphson recalled that she has yet to receive a signed medical consent from the patient, and Attorney Hemlani still has the physical file." but she claims that was not spoken by her. 	GBME	4:06	Approved as Amended

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IV. TREASURER REPORT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Page 6 of 7 under VIII New Business. Item 2 is supposed to be GBME AP-20-001, but it says GBME CO-20-001. - Noted the V-Chair requested that the recording of the meeting be reviewed to confirm the proposed amendments to the minutes. - Noted, Treasurer was informed by HPLO Administrator of an HPLO Board Treasurer's meeting coming up this week. 	VICE CHAIR	4:08	Noted
V. HPLO ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted, HPLO Administrator welcomed Dr. Luis Cruz and Dr. Scott Shay as newest members of the GBME - Noted, all HPLO Board Treasurers' next meeting is this Friday, Feb. 19, 2021 at 9:00am, and noted HPLO Administrator invited Treasurer of GBME to attend <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reaffirmed that V-Chair also holds the GMMME Treasurer position - Noted, HPLO Administrator informed GBME, who have not attended the Ethics training will be contacted to attend the upcoming course with Governor's Office or the OAG (Dr. Cruz, Dr Shay, Dr. David) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted, Chair encouraged the all GBME Board members to attend and to consider if the training could be done in-person versus a virtual training. Noted, the Asst AG will also consider having the training video-taped for future trainings - Noted, HPLO Administrator met with the attorney, who will attend next GBME meeting to present recommendations on some cases for GBME consideration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted, effort to obtain funding to hire expert services (e.g. cardiologist, psychiatrist, respiratory therapist, orthopedic specialists) - Approximate cost is \$350/hr. - Noted that a Pediatrician could be sought locally to save in costs - Noted a concern of identifying a local Pediatrician and potential conflicts of interests by certain GBME members, who would be required to recuse themselves from the case - Agreed GBME to review the case to make a determination on whether off-island expertise is required 	HPLO ADMIN	4:53	Noted
VI. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT	<p>A. Emergency Licenses Issued – <u>5</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Warren S. Krackov – GRC 2. Daniel A. Cousin – GRC 3. Tammy M. Allen – GRMC 4. Thomas Murray – GMH 	CHAIR	4:16	Approved

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VII. OLD BUSINESS	<p>5. Adelaida M. Miro – GMH Noted, all applications reviewed and approved by Mr. P. Flores, Dr. Berg, and HPLO Administrator.</p> <p>A. GBME-CO-19-010 – on-going B. GBME-CO-20-01 – on-going C. GBME-CO-20-02 – on-going D. GBME-CO-20-04 – on-going E. GBME-CO-20-05 – on-going F. GBME-CO-20-06 – on-going G. GBME-CO-20-07 – on-going H. GBME-CO-20-08 – on-going I. GBME-CO-20-09 – on-going J. GBME-CO-19-012 – on-going K. GBME-CO-19-013 – on-going L. GBME-CO-19-014 – on-going M. GBME-CO-19-015 – on-going N. GBME-CO-19-016 – on-going O. GBME-CO-19-017 – on-going P. <u>REINSTATEMENT LICENSE:</u> 1. Abner P. Pasatiempo – Psychiatry (<i>Tabled</i>) Q. GBME-AP-2020-001 – On-going</p> <p>Noted, cases are on hold as Board searches for experts from off-island</p>	GBME	4:17	Tabled
VII NEW BUSINESS	<p>A. GBME-CO-21-01</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Noted, this case involves a complainant accusing a Nurse Practitioner of falsely identifying herself as a Physician Noted, GBME will contact GBNE since the accused is licensed under GBNE Noted, GBME will await information from GBNE on the findings of this case for further review of how to move forward <p>B. GBME-CO-21-02</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Noted, this case will be bundled in with review by Cardiologist from Hawaii <p>C. FULL LICENSE</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> David T. Meadows (<i>Uniformed application submission</i>) 	GBME	4:42	Tabled
		GBME	4:43	Approved

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	2. Sheryl J. Tombouliau (<i>Uniformed application submission</i>) 3. Jami D. Feltner (<i>Uniformed application submission</i>) 4. Nita Vivatrat (<i>Uniformed application submission</i>) 5. Mammen Maliakkal – GMH 6. Konstantina A. Papatomas (<i>Uniformed application submission</i>) 7. Augusta N. Uwah – GMH 8. Sabari L. Sundarraj (<i>Uniformed application submission</i>) 9. Rachel H. Root – (<i>Uniformed application submission</i>) Noted, reviewed applications and noted no complaints were found; therefore, approved by Dr. Berg			
	D. TEMPORARY LICENSE 1. Carlindo Pereira – SDA Noted, reviewed application and noted no complaints were found; therefore approved by Dr. Berg	GBME	4:45	Approved
	E. REINSTATEMENT LICENSE 1. Akua Agyeman – GMH Noted, reviewed application and noted no complaints were found; therefore approved by Dr. Berg	GBME	4:53	Approved
	F. IMLC 1. Salman Kazim – Psychiatry – Spokane, WA 2. Scott Rennie – Washington Noted, reviewed application and noted no complaints were found; therefore approved by Dr. Berg	GBME	4:53	Approved
IX. OTHER BUSINESS	A. BILL No. 6-36 – 36th Guam Legislature 1. Noted, Chair met with Senator Nelson and requested the opportunity have an open dialogue on prescription medications (e.g. is there an opioid problem on Guam, what is the magnitude and source of the problem; are prescription medications being ceased during drug seizures); therefore, suggested to investigate before regulating 2. Noted, GBME listed on P.10 and P.16 of the proposed bill (e.g. prescriber report card, practitioner patient agreement, etc) 3. Need to address funding to meet any new mandated requirements 4. Noted that there is a \$300K grant available to start a drug monitoring program, which could be allocated to support GBME responsibilities in this area, to include the developing/monitoring a standard of care; Inquired how CSR fees are being used	GBME	5:11	Noted

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	<p>5. Noted that Dr. David has been collecting data through several surveys, and the Chair suggested that data be used as a foundation for discussions. Noted the need to obtain the data from the pharmacies on the amount of these prescription medications.</p> <p>6. Noted, the need to meet with stakeholders, e.g. Guam Medical Society, Guam Medical Association, hospital in-patient and emergency room</p> <p>7. Noted a concern of placing additional burden of administration requirements on Physicians.</p> <p>B. Mandated reporting for malpractice by insurance companies – Office of Senator Therese Terlaje</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Noted, a letter has been prepared by Chair/V-Chair plans to review, which will be sent to the Speaker. 2. Noted the challenge to obtain information from insurance companies due to HIPAA when researching information posted in the National Practitioner Bank. Noted that there is past history where a physician has failed to report. <p>C. Next regular schedule meeting – Wednesday, March 10, 2021 at 4:00 pm in the HPLO Board, Suite 213, Terlaje Professional Bldg. Hagatna.</p>	CHAIR	5:48	Adjourned

ADJOURNMENT: 5:48PM Motion: Dr. Berg 2nd: Mr. Flores

Reviewed by:  4/14/2021
 Secretary / Date

Approved by:  April 14, 2021
 Chairperson / Date

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