NEW YORK STATE BOARD FOR CHIROPRACTIC
MINUTES OF MEETING
WebEx Meeting
10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, Thursday, January 27, 2022

PRESENT: Mark Craft, D.C., Chair; Fiona Jarrett-Thelwell, D.C., Vice Chair; Gary DiBenedetto, D.C; Caroline Maher, PM; Anthony Morgante, D.C.; Elaina Pirro-Lombardi, D.C.; Bruce Steinberg, D.C.; Michael Zumpano, Ph.D., D.C.

ABSENT:

STAFF: Dolores Cottrell, Executive Secretary; Michael Puspurs

Extended Board Members: Anne Reid, Stephen Eble, D.C., Ellen Coyne, DC


Welcome and Review of Agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by Dr. Craft.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the October 7, 2021 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the minutes as amended (Steinberg/DiBenedetto).

BOARD CHAIR REPORT:

Dr. Craft started his report by stating that Logan University now offers a Master of Science program in integrated pediatrics. Dr. Craft thanked the board members for expressing their sympathies about the loss of his parents.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT:

Dr. Cottrell started her report by informing board members that we currently have limited Board Office Staff and that submissions for travel need to be submitted within 30 days for reimbursement.

Dr. Cottrell informed members that Governor Hochul in her State of the State Address, talked about moving the health professions from the NYS Department of Education to the NYS DOH.
COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Legislative Committee – Dr. Morgante, Chair, stated that he spoke with Ms. Kellogg and that the Scope Modernization, Telehealth, Opioid Alternative and Partnership bills are still pending.

Practice Committee – Dr. Craft, Chair, stated that there is not much to report and that the Board will have more discussion on the diagnostic ultrasound later under New Business.

Public Information Committee - Dr. Steinberg, Chair, stated that once there is a new practice alert on the op website, he will email it to the Northeast College of Health Sciences and D’Youville. The Board discussed sending the practice alerts to NYCC and NYSAC as well.

Outreach Committee - Dr. DiBenedetto, Chair, stated that NYSAC created a diversity committee to help with community outreach in neighborhoods underserved in chiropractic.

Program Review Committee (extension of the practice committee) – Dr. Jarrett-Thelwell, Chair, stated that the Chiropractic Board Office has vetted many CE courses for approval. Dr. Jarrett-Thelwell informed board members of courses that were denied since October such as: animal bovine, animal chiropractic, concussions- returning to play, using nutrition’s to treat concussions and Alzheimer’s disease.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Practice Alert-Unlicensed Aides- Dr. Cottrell stated that it is still in review with Legal.

- Scope Modernization update – In the legislative committee report.

- Part IV Boards update- Dr. Craft and Dr. DiBenedetto stated that they would be examiners for the May Part IV exam. Dr. Morgante agreed to serve as a backup.
NEW BUSINESS

- COVID-19 Updates- Dr. Cottrell stated that the mask mandate is still in place.

- Practice Alert-Diagnostic Ultrasound- The Board had a lengthy discussion about the Practice Alert for Diagnostic Ultrasound. The Board unanimously agreed to use the revised changes and that they will make it a board decision as well.

Questions and Answers: Dr. Eble led a brief discussion about billing for no shows.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on Thursday June 16, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Albany.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Craft, Chair thanked all for their participation and asked for a motion to adjourn at 12:01 p.m. (DiBenedetto/Maher). Motion unanimously approved