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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL AFFAIRS

F I N A L M I N U T E S

MEETING OF:

STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE

TIME: 10:39 A.M.

Held at
PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
2601 North Third Street
One Penn Center, Board Room C
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17110

as well as

VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

Tuesday, June 21, 2022

State Board of Medicine
June 21, 2022

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BOARD MEMBERS:

Mark B. Woodland, M.S., M.D., FACOG, Chair
Arion R. Claggett, Acting Commissioner, Bureau of
Professional and Occupational Affairs
Donald M. Yealy, M.D., Vice Chair
Gerard F. Dillon, Ph.D., Public Member
Walter A. Eisenhauer, MMS, M.Ed., PA-C
Nazanin E. Silver, M.D., MPH, FACOG - Absent
Carolyn Byrnes, M.P.H., C.P.H., Department of Health
Paul J. Valigorsky II, M.D.
Michael Ripchinski, M.D., MBA, CPE, FAAFP

BUREAU PERSONNEL:

Shana M. Walter, Esquire, Board Counsel
Carolyn DeLaurentis, Deputy Chief Counsel, Prosecution
Division
Kelsey Ashworth, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
Danie Bendesky, Director of Intergovernmental Affairs,
Department of State
Shawn Jayman, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
Adam J. Williams, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
Mark R. Zogby, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
Jonelle Harter Eshbach, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
Jasmira L. Hunter, Board Administrator
Marc Farrell, Deputy Policy Director, Department of
State
Holly Hoffman, Law Clerk, Department of State
Eli Yemzow, Legal Intern, Department of State

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ALSO PRESENT:

Lisa Claypool Stevenson, Senior Associate Counsel,
University of Pittsburgh Medical Center
Susan DeSantis, PA-C, Pennsylvania Society of
Physician Assistants
Misha Patel, M.D., Curriculum Education Assistant,
Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine
Kari Orchard, Democratic Executive Director, House
Professional Licensure Committee
Randy Stevens, Pennsylvania Orthotic & Prosthetic
Society
Kathryn Witherow

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2 June 21, 2022

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4 [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act, at
5 8:45 a.m. the Board entered into Executive Session
6 with Shana M. Walter, Esquire, Board Counsel, for the
7 purpose of conducting quasi-judicial deliberations on
8 a number of matters currently pending before the Board
9 and to receive the advice of counsel. The Board
10 returned to open session at 10:30 a.m.]

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12 The regularly scheduled meeting of the State
13 Board of Medicine was held on Tuesday, June 21, 2022.
14 Mark B. Woodland, M.S., M.D., FACOG, Chair, called the
15 meeting to order at 10:39 a.m.

16 Chair Woodland reminded everyone that the meeting
17 was being recorded, and voluntary participation
18 constituted consent to be recorded.

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20 Introduction of Board Members

21 [Chair Woodland noted Board members in attendance.]

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23 Introduction Attendees

24 [Shana M. Walter, Esquire, Board Counsel, provided an
25 introduction of attendees.]

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Approval of minutes of the May 24, 2022, meeting

CHAIR WOODLAND:

Our first order of business is the approval of the minutes from May 24, 2022.

Do we have a motion to approve?

DR. YEALY:

So moved.

MR. EISENHAUER:

Second.

CHAIR WOODLAND:

Any discussion or any updates for the minutes that we need to have for Jasmira? Hearing none.

Jasmira, do you want to take a roll call?

Mark Woodland, yes; Arion Claggett, aye; Donald Yealy, yes; Gerard Dillon, aye; Walter Eisenhower, yes; Carolyn Byrnes, aye; Paul Valigorsky, yes; Michael Ripchinski, aye.

The approval of the minutes moves

1 forward.

2 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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4 Report of Prosecution Division

5 MS. WALTER:

6 I believe Board members have waived the
7 Report of Prosecution.

8 Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of
9 the Sunshine Act, the Board entered into
10 quasi-judicial deliberations during
11 Executive Session to receive the advice
12 of counsel for agenda items 2 through 8
13 and 11 through 25.

14 Number 2 at Case No. 22-49-008430,
15 number 6 at Case No. 21-49-019769,
16 number 7 at Case No. 19-49-009862, and
17 number 8 at Case No. 21-49-010054. I
18 believe the Board would entertain a
19 motion accept the Consent Agreements.

20 CHAIR WOODLAND:

21 Do I have a motion?

22 DR. YEALY:

23 So moved.

24 MR. EISENHAUER:

25 Second.

1 CHAIR WOODLAND:

2 Any further discussion on those items?

3 Hearing none. Jasmira, will you do a
4 roll, please?

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6 Mark Woodland, yes; Arion Claggett, aye;
7 Donald Yealy, yes; Gerard Dillon, yes;
8 Walter Eisenhower, yes; Carolyn Byrnes,
9 aye; Paul Valigorsky, yes; Michael
10 Ripchinski, aye.

11 [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's
12 name for number 2 is Robert Livingston Boyd, M.D.;
13 number 6, Whitaker M. Smith M.D.; number 7, Matthew
14 George Glowa, L.R.T.; and number 8, Janet Lynn Baird,
15 M.D.]

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17 MS. WALTER:

18 Items 3 through 5. Number 5 at Case No.
19 22-49-005377, number 4 at Case No. 22-
20 49-006981, and number 5 at Case No. 22-
21 49-008866. I believe the Board would
22 entertain a motion to accept the VRP
23 Consent Agreements.

24 DR. YEALY:

25 So moved.

1 MR. EISENHAUER:

2 Second.

3 CHAIR WOODLAND:

4 Any further discussion on these three
5 items? Hearing no further discussion.
6 We will entertain a vote. Go ahead,
7 Jasmira.

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9 Mark Woodland, yes; Arion Claggett, aye;
10 Donald Yealy, yes; Gerard Dillon, aye;
11 Walter Eisenhower, aye; Carolyn Byrnes,
12 aye; Paul Valigorsky, aye; Michael
13 Ripchinski, aye.

14 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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16 Motions - Proposed Reports from Hearing Examiner

17 MS. WALTER:

18 Number 11 on the agenda at Case No. 21-
19 49-016075, William Wolfe, M.D. I
20 believe the Board would entertain a
21 motion to adopt the Proposed
22 Adjudication and Order in part and
23 direct counsel to draft an order
24 addressing exceptions.

25 DR. YEALY:

1 So moved.

2 MR. EISENHAUER:

3 Second.

4 CHAIR WOODLAND:

5 Any further discussion on this one?

6 Hearing no further discussion. Jasmira,
7 could you call the list, please?

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9 Mark Woodland, yes; Arion Claggett, aye;

10 Donald Yealy, yes; Gerard Dillon, aye;

11 Walter Eisenhower, aye; Carolyn Byrnes,

12 aye; Paul Valigorsky, aye; Michael

13 Ripchinski, aye.

14 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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16 Motions - Hearing Examiner Adjudications for Review

17 MS. WALTER:

18 Number 12 at Case No. 21-49-010814,

19 George Fisher. I believe the Board

20 would entertain a motion to direct Board

21 counsel to draft a Memorandum Order

22 adopting the hearing examiner's Final

23 Adjudication and Order addressing

24 exceptions.

25 DR. YEALY:

1 So moved.

2 MR. EISENHAUER:

3 Second.

4 CHAIR WOODLAND:

5 Any further discussion on this one?

6 Hearing no further discussion. Jasmira,
7 could you call the roll call, please?

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9 Mark Woodland, yes; Arion Claggett, aye;

10 Donald Yealy, yes; Gerard Dillon, aye;

11 Walter Eisenhower, aye; Carolyn Byrnes,

12 aye; Paul Valigorsky, aye; Michael

13 Ripchinski, aye.

14 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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16 MS. WALTER:

17 Number 13 at Case No. 21-49-012586, John

18 Gianoli. I believe the Board would

19 entertain a motion to direct Board

20 counsel to draft a Final Adjudication

21 and Order in accordance with discussions

22 during Executive Session.

23 DR. YEALY:

24 So moved.

25 ACTING COMMISSIONER CLAGGETT:

1 Second.

2 CHAIR WOODLAND:

3 Any further discussion on this one?

4 Hearing no further discussion. Jasmira,
5 could you take roll to vote, please?

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7 Mark Woodland, yes; Arion Claggett, aye;

8 Donald Yealy, yes; Gerard Dillon, aye;

9 Walter Eisenhower, aye; Carolyn Byrnes,

10 aye; Michael Ripchinski, aye.

11 [The motion carried. Paul Valigorsky recused himself
12 from deliberations and voting on the motion.]

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14 MS. WALTER:

15 Number 14 on the agenda at Case No. 21-
16 49-011123, Vladimir Kirkorov. I believe
17 the Board would entertain a motion to
18 adopt the hearing examiner's
19 Adjudication as the Final Order.

20 DR. YEALY:

21 So moved.

22 MR. EISENHAUER:

23 Second.

24 CHAIR WOODLAND:

25 Any further discussion on this? Hearing

1 no further discussion. Jasmira, could
2 you take the roll call, please?

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4 Mark Woodland, yes; Arion Claggett, aye;
5 Donald Yealy, yes; Gerard Dillon, aye;
6 Walter Eisenhower, aye; Carolyn Byrnes,
7 aye; Paul Valigorsky, aye; Michael
8 Ripchinski, aye.

9 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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11 Motions - Final Adjudication and Order for
12 Consideration

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14 MS. WALTER:

15 Number 15 at Case No. 21-49-012423,
16 Vikram Panwar, M.D. I believe the Board
17 would entertain a motion to direct Board
18 counsel to issue a Final Adjudication
19 and Order.

20 DR. YEALY:

21 So moved.

22 MR. EISENHAUER:

23 Second.

24 CHAIR WOODLAND:

25 Any further discussion on this one?

1 Hearing nothing further. Jasmira, could
2 you do a roll call for the vote, please?

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4 Mark Woodland, yes; Arion Claggett, aye;
5 Donald Yealy, yes; Gerard Dillon, aye;
6 Walter Eisenhower, aye; Carolyn Byrnes,
7 aye; Paul Valigorsky, aye; Michael
8 Ripchinski, aye.

9 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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11 Motions - Report of Board Administrator

12 MS. WALTER:

13 Numbers 16, 17, and 18 on the agenda are
14 Initial Orthotic Fitter License
15 Applications for Derrick Winters,
16 Matthew M. Laing, and Lindsay Marie
17 Pauline.

18 I believe the Board would entertain
19 a motion to provisionally deny these
20 Applications.

21 DR. YEALY:

22 So moved.

23 MR. EISENHAUER:

24 Second.

25 CHAIR WOODLAND:

1 Any further discussion? Hearing no
2 discussion. Will you call the roll for
3 the vote, Jasmira, please?

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5 Mark Woodland, yes; Arion Claggett, aye;
6 Donald Yealy, yes; Gerard Dillon, aye;
7 Walter Eisenhower, aye; Carolyn Byrnes,
8 aye; Paul Valigorsky, aye; Michael
9 Ripchinski, aye.

10 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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12 MS. WALTER:

13 Numbers 19 and 20 on the agenda are
14 Initial Physician and Surgeon
15 Applications for Licensure by
16 Endorsement of Roi Westreich, M.D. and
17 Lucy Cain, M.D.

18 I believe the Board would entertain
19 a motion to invite the applicants to
20 apply for an institutional license.

21 DR. YEALY:

22 So moved.

23 MR. EISENHAUER:

24 Second.

25 CHAIR WOODLAND:

1 Any further discussion? Hearing no
2 discussion. Jasmira, could you call the
3 roll for a vote, please?

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5 Mark Woodland, yes; Arion Claggett, aye;
6 Donald Yealy, yes; Gerard Dillon, aye;
7 Walter Eisenhower, aye; Carolyn Byrnes,
8 aye; Paul Valigorsky, aye; Michael
9 Ripchinski, aye.

10 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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12 MS. WALTER:

13 Number 21 is the Initial Behavior
14 Specialist Application of Debbie Anne
15 Taylor.

16 I believe the Board would entertain
17 a motion to grant the Application.

18 DR. YEALY:

19 So moved.

20 MR. EISENHAUER:

21 Second.

22 CHAIR WOODLAND:

23 Any further discussion? Hearing no
24 discussion. Jasmira, could you call the
25 roll for a vote, please?

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Mark Woodland, yes; Arion Claggett, aye;

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Donald Yealy, yes; Gerard Dillon,

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abstain; Walter Eisenhower, aye; Carolyn

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Byrnes, aye; Paul Valigorsky, aye;

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Michael Ripchinski, aye.

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[The motion carried. Gerard Dillon abstained from

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voting on the motion.]

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10 Motions - Applications from Committee on

11 Legislation/Policy Development and Review

12 MS. WALTER:

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Number 22 and 23 on the agenda involve

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the Request for Reconsideration of the

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Application for a License as a Physician

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and Surgeon by Endorsement of Andrew

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Fraval, M.D. and Jose Fragoso, M.D.

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I believe the Board would entertain

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a motion to deny Motions for

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Reconsideration.

21 DR. YEALY:

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So moved.

23 MR. EISENHAUER:

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Second.

25 CHAIR WOODLAND:

1 Any further discussion on these two?
2 Hearing no further discussion. Jasmira,
3 could you call the roll for a vote,
4 please?

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6 Mark Woodland, yes; Arion Claggett, aye;
7 Donald Yealy, yes; Gerard Dillon,
8 abstain; Walter Eisenhower, aye; Carolyn
9 Byrnes, aye; Paul Valigorsky, aye;
10 Michael Ripchinski, aye.

11 [The motion carried. Gerard Dillon abstained from
12 voting on the motion.]

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14 MS. WALTER:

15 Number 24 is the Reactivation
16 Application of Shikha Mudgil, M.D.

17 I believe the Board would entertain
18 a motion to ask the Board administrator
19 to send a standard reentry letter.

20 DR. YEALY:

21 So moved.

22 MR. EISENHAUER:

23 Second.

24 CHAIR WOODLAND:

25 Any further discussion on this one?

1 Hearing nothing further. Jasmira, could
2 you call the roll for a vote, please?

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4 Mark Woodland, yes; Arion Claggett, aye;
5 Donald Yealy, yes; Gerard Dillon, aye;
6 Walter Eisenhower, aye; Carolyn Byrnes,
7 aye; Paul Valigorsky, aye; Michael
8 Ripchinski, aye.

9 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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11 Miscellaneous

12 MS. WALTER:

13 Number 25 is the Interim LifeGuard
14 Report of Jeffrey A. Solomon, M.D.

15 This matter will be tabled until
16 the July 26 Board meeting.

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18 Report of Acting Commissioner

19 [Arion R. Claggett, Acting Commissioner, Bureau of
20 Professional and Occupational Affairs, provided an
21 update regarding onsite Board meetings. He addressed
22 rules that would need to be in place, including
23 renting space and ensuring the meeting is available in
24 person and on Microsoft Teams.

25 Chair Woodland explained that his idea was to

1 invite students to their place of business and
2 facilitate using the hybrid model, where Dr. Yealy
3 could invite some of his University of Pittsburgh
4 students and Dr. Ripchinski at Lancaster General
5 Health could have some of the residents and medical
6 students sit behind him in his office during public
7 session.

8 Chair Woodland commented that he could borrow a
9 friend's office at Temple and do the same thing at
10 Temple and Penn without any problems, which would have
11 less of an impact expense-wise for the Board and would
12 not breach any security by using access through
13 pa.gov.

14 Acting Commissioner Claggett stated the process
15 would work without any impact to the Board.

16 Chair Woodland suggested only one Board member
17 host a group at a time and invited both public members
18 as well as professional members. Dr. Yealy offered to
19 target the July meeting.]

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21 Report of Department of Health

22 [Carolyn Byrnes, M.P.H., C.P.H., Department of Health,
23 provided a COVID-19 update, noting 2,975,031 cases in
24 the state of Pennsylvania as of June 15, 2022, which
25 increased 2,165 on June 14, 2022. She reported 1,097

1 hospitalizations and 45,580 deaths.

2 Ms. Byrnes stated the Centers for Disease Control
3 and Prevention (CDC) is using COVID community levels
4 to illustrate risk. She reported 47 of Pennsylvania's
5 67 counties are green, 16 are yellow, and 4 are red as
6 of June 16, 2022.

7 Ms. Byrnes reported Pennsylvania administered
8 over 22.3 million vaccinations with 73.4 percent of
9 those 5 years of age or older who are fully
10 vaccinated, and a United States average at 71 percent.

11 On June 18, the CDC endorsed the
12 Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP)
13 recommendation that all children 6 months to 5 years
14 should receive a COVID-19 vaccine.

15 Ms. Byrnes noted also administering over 3.9
16 million first booster doses and 586,478 second
17 boosters.

18 Ms. Byrnes addressed data from the CDC estimating
19 that within the Department of Health and Human
20 Services (HHS) region as of June 11, 2022, that 74
21 percent of all COVID cases were due to the Omicron
22 BA.2.12.1 variant and 12 percent due to BA.2. She
23 reported BA.4 and BA.5 are increasing and comprised 14
24 percent of cases. She stated vaccination is still
25 expected to protect against severe illness,

1 hospitalization, and death. She mentioned
2 therapeutics are also available for preventing and
3 treating COVID-19 and details can be found on their
4 website.

5 Ms. Byrnes informed everyone that seasonal
6 influenza activity in Pennsylvania has decreased
7 significantly over the past few weeks. She reported a
8 total of 85,266 laboratory-confirmed influenza cases
9 have been confirmed in all 67 counties with a total of
10 65 confirmed influenza-associated deaths with 1
11 pediatric death.

12 Ms. Byrnes reported 40 states and Puerto Rico
13 have reported at least one person under investigation
14 (PUI), including Pennsylvania, with a total of 290
15 persons under investigation. She mentioned the
16 hepatitis does not seem to be associated with COVID or
17 COVID vaccinations.

18 Ms. Byrnes addressed monkeypox, noting cases have
19 been identified in 21 states and territories with more
20 than 2,500 cases from 37 countries, including 112
21 confirmed cases in the United States. She noted the
22 CDC and Association of American Medical Colleges
23 (AAMC) recently requested the state boards assist in
24 sharing guidance on monkeypox with physicians.

25 Chair Woodland mentioned that there is

1 information from the CDC and AAMC as far as a
2 physician checklist for providers regarding diagnosis,
3 evaluation, and management.

4 Ms. Byrnes reported two confirmed monkeypox cases
5 in Pennsylvania as of June 16, 2022. She noted
6 clinicians should consider monkeypox as a potential
7 diagnosis and be referred to local public health or
8 the Pennsylvania Department of Health at their
9 Division of Infectious Disease Epidemiology at 717-
10 787-3350.

11 Ms. Byrnes addressed the infant formula shortage,
12 noting it to be largely driven by Abbott's product
13 recall. She informed everyone that Abbott resumed
14 production on June 4, 2022, and restarted production
15 of EleCare aiming for an initial product release
16 around June 20, 2022, but informed the Food and Drug
17 Administration (FDA) of a delay of product
18 distribution of a few weeks due to severe weather and
19 flooding.

20 Ms. Byrnes stated the Department of Health (DOH)
21 has been working closely with the United States
22 Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Pennsylvania
23 Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program and local
24 agencies to ensure consistent information flow.

25 Ms. Byrnes mentioned the Department of Health

1 communicated through multiple product updates for WIC
2 recipients with as many as 17 substitutions. She
3 noted the federal government is bringing in shipments
4 of baby formula from other countries.

5 Ms. Byrnes provided an update regarding gun
6 violence. She stated the DOH has a Division of
7 Violence Prevention that runs the Pennsylvania Violent
8 Death Reporting System, which was established to
9 collect and disseminate accurate data of all violent
10 deaths in the target areas using the CDC's guidelines.

11 Ms. Byrnes addressed the sexual violence
12 prevention and education program and funding to the
13 Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape. She also noted
14 having a Violence Dashboard, which is an interactive
15 tool designed to display aggregated statistics for
16 discharges and deaths.

17 Ms. Byrnes addressed PA Dashboard data for 2019,
18 where PA hospital discharges showed 141 firearm self-
19 harm hospitalizations, 919 firearm assault
20 hospitalizations, 547 Pennsylvania deaths by homicide
21 with a firearm, and 968 by suicide with a firearm.

22 Ms. Byrnes noted Governor Wolf established a
23 Special Council on Gun Violence in August 2019 that
24 released a report in March 2020, including 35
25 recommendations for prevention. She stated Governor

1 Wolf has prioritized investing in community-lead gun
2 violence prevention efforts through the Pennsylvania
3 Commission on Crime and Delinquency Violence
4 Intervention and Prevention grant program.

5 Ms. Byrnes reported \$15.7 million funded 40
6 projects through the grant program in December 2021
7 and another \$23 million was announced for a second
8 round of grants in January 2022. She stated Governor
9 Wolf is calling on the General Assembly to pass
10 meaningful gun safety legislation.

11 Chair Woodland informed everyone that the Board
12 is going to invite someone to speak at the July 2022
13 meeting on gun violence progress, especially as it
14 relates to providers.]

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16 Report of Committee on Health-Related Professionals -
17 No Report

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19 Report of Committee on Legislation/Policy Development
20 and Review - No Report

21 [Mark B. Woodland, M.S., M.D., FACOG, Chair, noted
22 there would be an update on committee structure later
23 in the meeting.]

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25 Report of Committee on Licensure Qualifications - No

1 Report

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3 Report of Vice Chair

4 [Donald M. Yealy, M.D., Vice Chair, noted continuing
5 to have ongoing dialogue amongst the committee members
6 on issues discussed during the meeting and individual
7 inquiries from around the commonwealth.]

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9 Report of Board Chair

10 [Mark B. Woodland, M.S., M.D., FACOG, Chair, addressed
11 the Tulsa shooting on June 2, 2022, noting it
12 highlighted the issue of gun violence and safety as a
13 health care crisis but also workplace violence.

14 Chair Woodland stated the American Journal of
15 Managed Care in June 2022 reported 75 percent of the
16 nearly 25,000 workplace assaults occur annually in
17 health care settings, but only 30 percent of nurses
18 and 26 percent of emergency physicians have reported
19 these incidents of violence. He noted the importance
20 of enhancing workplace safety issues.

21 Chair Woodland commented that Surgeon General
22 Vivek Murthy's advisory brought up health care
23 burnout, resignation, and workforce issues, along with
24 the projected provider shortage. He mentioned that
25 the AAMC has been talking about this shortage for many

1 years but expanded it to not only include clinical
2 providers but also the 3 million essential lower wage
3 health care workers and projected a shortage of nearly
4 140,000 physicians by the year 2033. He also provided
5 a summary of the recommendations.

6 Chair Woodland informed everyone of a webinar on
7 June 23, 2022, "Women in Medical Professional
8 Regulation" on the Federation of State Medical Boards
9 (FSMB) website, which is a historic review by Dr. Lois
10 Nora regarding women in medicine as it relates to
11 licensure and regulation.

12 Chair Woodland addressed his attendance at the
13 FSMB Annual Meeting, noting FSMB adopted policies on
14 medical disinformation; telemedicine; diversity,
15 equity, and inclusion (DEI); and emergency
16 preparedness and response. He noted that what the
17 FSMB has adopted as far as policy could be found in
18 his report.

19 Chair Woodland mentioned discussion regarding a
20 common demographic dataset that would be used in most
21 state boards now to have comparable information from
22 each state as it goes forward.

23 Chair Woodland stated emergency preparedness
24 became critical during the time of the pandemic, where
25 responsible state licensure was ramped up quickly but

1 safely for individual citizenship and communities.

2 Chair Woodland noted he provided the CDC-AAMC
3 monkeypox information, including the clinician's
4 checklist, along with their website in his report.]

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6 Report of Board Counsel

7 [Shana M. Walter, Esquire, Board Counsel, addressed
8 Senate Bill 1258 of 2022 regarding the creation of a
9 licensure class of anesthesiologist assistants. She
10 noted they are doing their part by providing a bill
11 analysis as requested by the legislative office
12 related to several issues that have been identified by
13 various sources.

14 Ms. Walter informed Board members of a notice on
15 the Department of State website regarding a scam
16 concerning licensed professionals across the country.
17 She reminded everyone that licensees would never be
18 contacted for payment over the phone and to not
19 provide personal or financial information. She stated
20 BPOA initiates disciplinary action through the
21 administrative process and provides papers through
22 certified mail or by hand delivery. She recommended
23 everyone contact their local or state police
24 department if they have been a victim of the scam.

25 Chair Woodland commented that anesthesia is one

1 of the priority places in most of the institutions
2 where everyone is really struggling, where enhancing
3 help for anesthesia friends is something that would be
4 very positive in their own institution.

5 Ms. Walter addressed a question by a Board member
6 as to whether there has been much pushback from the
7 State Board of Nursing over the anesthesia assistants'
8 program since they govern the certified registered
9 nurse anesthetists (CRNAs) and offered to ask Ms.
10 Pachter Schulder whether they have a position on
11 record.]

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13 For the Board's Information/Discussion - Old
14 Business/New Business

15 [Mark B. Woodland, M.S., M.D., FACOG, Chair, addressed
16 adjustments of committee assignments. He noted Dr.
17 Yealy is the chair of the Probable Cause Screening
18 Committee, Dr. Valigorsky is the second participant,
19 and Dr. Silver is the alternate.

20 Chair Woodland noted Mr. Eisenhower is the chair
21 of the Committee on Allied Health-Related
22 Professionals, Dr. Ripchinski is the cochair, and Mr.
23 Dillon is also on the committee.

24 Chair Woodland noted the Committee on
25 Legislation/Policy Development and Review is still

1 chaired by Dr. Silver, but Dr. Ripchinski is going to
2 be substituting for Dr. Yealy.

3 Chair Woodland noted the Committee on Licensure
4 Qualifications is still chaired by Mr. Dillon, along
5 with Mr. Eisenhauer and Dr. Yealy.

6 Chair Woodland addressed committee response time
7 and asked committee members to get back to the Board
8 administrator and counsel as quickly as possible.]

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10 Public Comment

11 [Shana M. Walter, Esquire, Board Counsel, referred to
12 a comment in chat from Susan DeSantis, PA-C,
13 Pennsylvania Society of Physician Assistants,
14 requesting an update on changes in the Pennsylvania
15 Licensing System (PALS) regarding written agreements
16 and some instructions on the State Board of Medicine
17 website regarding written agreements.

18 Ms. Walter noted being aware of the questions
19 posed by Ms. DeSantis and by other individuals
20 relating to the change in language and will have a
21 response probably within the next 7 to 10 days.]

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23 Upcoming Meetings

24 [Mark B. Woodland, M.S., M.D., FACOG, Chair, noted the
25 next scheduled meeting is on July 26 and referred to

1 the remaining 2022 meeting dates for the Board's
2 review. He encouraged Board members to contact Ms.
3 Hunter with any conflicts of those dates for quorum
4 confirmation. He also noted 2023 Board meeting dates
5 are February 7, March 7, April 18, May 23, June 20,
6 July 18, September 12, October 24, and December 12.]

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8 Adjournment

9 CHAIR WOODLAND:

10 I need a motion to adjourn this meeting.

11 DR. YEALY:

12 Move to adjourn.

13 MR. EISENHAUER:

14 Second.

15 CHAIR WOODLAND:

16 Have a great upcoming 4th of July
17 holiday and be safe. Keep providing
18 good, safe health care for everybody.
19 Thanks everybody. Great to see you.

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21 [There being no other business, the State Board of
22 Medicine Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.]

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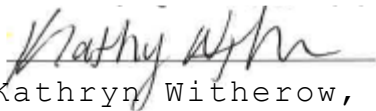
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CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing summary minutes of the State Board of Medicine meeting, was reduced to writing by me or under my supervision, and that the minutes accurately summarize the substance of the State Board of Medicine meeting.


Kathryn Witherow,

Minute Clerk
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STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE
REFERENCE INDEX

June 21, 2022

TIME	AGENDA
8:45	Executive Session
10:30	Return to Open Session
10:39	Official Call to Order
10:39	Introduction of Board Members/Attendees
10:43	Approval of Minutes
10:45	Report of Prosecution Division
10:48	Motions
10:59	Report of Acting Commissioner
11:06	Report of Department of Health
11:19	Report of Board Chair
11:20	Report of Board Vice Chair
11:29	Report of Board Counsel
11:35	For the Board's Information/Discussion
11:37	Public Comment
11:38	Upcoming Meeting Dates
11:40	Adjournment