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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: 10:38 A.M.

Held at

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

2525 North 7th Street

CoPA HUB, Eaton Conference Room

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17110

as well as

VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

Tuesday, November 5, 2024

State Board of Medicine
November 5, 2024

BOARD MEMBERS:

Arion R. Claggett, Acting Commissioner
Mark B. Woodland, M.S., M.D., FACOG, Chair
Donald M. Yealy, M.D., Vice Chair
Gerard F. Dillon, Ph.D., Public Member
Michael R. Ripchinski, M.D., MBA, CPE, FAAFP
Walter A. Eisenhauer, MMSC, M.Ed., PA-C
Debra L. Bogen, M.D., FAAP, FABM, Acting Secretary,
Department of Health - Absent
John D. Six, M.D.
John A. Kutz, M.D., FACS
Catherine N. Udekwu, M.D. - Absent
Adanma S. Okereh, CNM, CRNP, Nurse Midwife - Absent
Robert Bonacci, M.D., MPH

BUREAU PERSONNEL:

Shana M. Walter, Esquire, Senior Board Counsel
Dana M. Wucinski, Esquire, Senior Board
Counsel
Michael Merten, Esquire, Counsel Division, Department
of State
Jason T. Anderson, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
Keith E. Bashore, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
Patrick Greene, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
Mark Zogby, Esquire
Berk V. Demiral, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
Saiyad Ali, Acting Board Administrator
Holly Hoffman, Law Clerk, Department of State
Andrew LaFratte, Deputy Policy Director

ALSO PRESENT:

Susan DeSantis, PA-C, Pennsylvania Society of
Physician Assistants
Angie Armbrust, Senior Associate, McNeas-Winter
Group LLC
Lisa Claypool Stevenson, Senior Associate Counsel,
University of Pittsburgh Medical Center
Tanya Miller, MS, LAT, ATC, Pennsylvania Athletic
Trainers' Society

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- Ted Mowatt, CAE, Vice President/Lobbyist, Wanner Associates
- Misha Patel, M.D., Curriculum Education Assistant, Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine
- Randy Stevens, Director of Legislative Affairs, Pennsylvania Orthotic and Prosthetic Society
- Tracey Ziegler, RN, BSN, NHP, Nurse Consultant and NHP Advisory Committee Member, Physicians' Health Program
- Wesley J. Rish, Esquire, Rish Law Office, LLC
- Mary Marshall, Director, Workforce & Professional Development, The Hospital and Healthsystem Association of Pennsylvania
- Taylor Eaton
- Cathy Tully
- Adam Williams
- Beth Butler
- Jamison Cassel
- Eric Barrett
- Ion Prohntchi, M.D.
- Adrienne McClendon
- Charles Susimaria
- Stephen Kowalewski
- Raed and Manal Mousa
- Derek Richmond, Sargent's Court Reporting Service

1 State Board of Medicine

2 November 5, 2024

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4 [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act,
5 at 8:45 a.m. the Board entered into executive session
6 with Shana M. Walter, Esquire, Senior Board Counsel,
7 and Dana M. Wucinski, Esquire, Acting Senior Board
8 Counsel, for the purpose of conducting quasi-judicial
9 deliberations on a number of matters currently
10 pending before the Board and to receive the advice of
11 counsel. The Board returned to open session at
12 10:30 a.m.]

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14 The regularly scheduled meeting of the State
15 Board of Medicine was held on Tuesday, November 5,
16 2024. Mark B. Woodland, M.S., M.D., FACOG, Chair,
17 called the meeting to order at 10:38 a.m.

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19 Acknowledge Public - Turn Off Electronic Devices
20 [Mark B. Woodland, M.S., M.D., FACOG, Chair,
21 requested all electronic devices be silenced.

22 Chair Woodland informed everyone that the meeting
23 was being recorded, and those who continued to
24 participate were giving their consent to be
25 recorded.]

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2 Introduction of Board Members/Attendees

3 [Mark B. Woodland, M.S., M.D., FACOG, Chair, provided
4 an introduction of Board members and attendees.

5 Chair Woodland introduced Dr. Robert Bonacci and
6 provided a brief description of his professional
7 background.

8 Chair Woodland noted he was growing a beard in
9 honor of Men's Health Month. He reminded all that
10 today is Election Day and provided a brief history of
11 Election Day.]

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13 Appointment - DOH STD Program-Sexually Transmitted
14 Diseases in Pennsylvania

15 [Beth Butler, Division Director, Tuberculosis and
16 Sexually Transmitted Diseases, provided a history of
17 her professional background.

18 Ms. Butler noted a significant increase in
19 syphilis and congenital syphilis mostly in women.

20 She introduced Stephen Kowalewski, Senior Public
21 Health Advisor. Ms. Butler put links in the chat for
22 training opportunities and CEUs.

23 Mr. Kowalewski presented before the Board with
24 information regarding the state of STDs in
25 Pennsylvania. He noted it being at the highest rate

1 in over 30 years, and all data presented is exclusive
2 of Philadelphia unless indicated otherwise.

3 The number of congenital syphilis cases is also
4 at the highest rate in recent recorded history.

5 In 2022 a total of 13 congenital syphilis cases
6 were reported in Pennsylvania, and in 2023, that
7 number increased to 29, the highest number of cases
8 recorded in recent history.

9 Driving these increases are individuals under the
10 age of 30, counting for 53 percent of primary and
11 secondary syphilis in 2023, 79 percent gonorrhea, 89
12 percent of chlamydia. Oftentimes this population
13 lacks health insurance, lack a medical home and are
14 of prime child-bearing age.

15 Both male and female cases have been on an upward
16 trend since 2013, male cases continue to dominate
17 syphilis, but in 2016, there was an increase in
18 female cases as well.

19 The first drop in male cases occurred from 2022
20 to 2023, and a steep increase in female cases since
21 2013.

22 Mr. Kowalewski noted symptoms are not present,
23 that only a serological test will identify infection.
24 A majority of cases are between 24 to 30 years of
25 age.

1 He reported that currently statewide
2 recommendation is testing for syphilis and HIV for
3 females at the first prenatal visit, the third
4 trimester and at delivery.

5 He noted priority populations being impacted by
6 this morbidity is men who have sex with men, all
7 individuals reported with syphilis, individuals with
8 HIV, pregnant individuals, individuals ages 15 to 40,
9 and individuals with gonorrhea a chlamydia that are
10 coinfecting with HIV.

11 Demographically, cases are minorities with a case
12 rate in African American males of 111.3 cases per
13 100,000 population. Mr. Kowalewski referred to a
14 congenital syphilis graph, which highlighted years
15 that Pennsylvania did not report any congenital
16 syphilis cases. It was recommended for practitioners
17 across the state to screen at risk individuals,
18 especially pregnant females.

19 He indicated 50 percent of the congenital
20 syphilis cases resulted from no prenatal care, 14
21 percent were individuals newly arrived to the United
22 States, when combined, 64 percent of cases in 2023
23 had no prenatal care. Those in prenatal care
24 received appropriate screening but acquired syphilis
25 late in pregnancy and seven percent in prenatal care

1 did not have recommended screening at the first
2 prenatal visit, third trimester and then delivery.

3 Mr. Kowalewski commented that providers are
4 getting the message, screening on a routine basis and
5 as a result there has been a tremendous drop in the
6 congenital syphilis cases and the individual is
7 engaged in prenatal care.

8 Mr. Kowalewski discussed statistics as it relates
9 to mom's history. He described general syphilis as
10 an indication of undertreated or untreated primary
11 partners for pregnant individuals, that two cases in
12 2023 were a result of providers not following the CDC
13 testing recommendations.

14 Issues around congenital syphilis include fear of
15 accessing medical care, lack of transportation, cost
16 of copays. An individual would pay \$700 per dose out
17 of pocket for bicillin, the primary treatment for an
18 individual pregnant with syphilis, and the Department
19 will provide that to a provider at no charge and
20 getting that information out to those providers.
21 Initiation of prenatal care, lack of health
22 insurance, late enrollment in Medicaid are also
23 contributing factors.

24 The Department recommends that all sexually
25 active individuals be screened for HIV, syphilis,

1 gonorrhea and chlamydia. Individuals who do not have
2 health insurance or are underinsured can seek medical
3 care at any number of STD clinics across the state, a
4 listing is provided on the website.

5 The only treatment for an individual who is
6 pregnant and has syphilis is benzathine penicillin G.
7 Pregnant individuals who are allergic to penicillin
8 have to be desensitized and followed up with
9 treatment. Mr. Kowalewski noted medication
10 manufacturing delays last year.

11 There have been mass mailings to ob/gyn
12 facilities across the state and grand rounds have
13 been very effective. There has been community
14 outreach in the community, prisons, shelters and drug
15 and alcohol facilities.

16 Mr. Kowalewski reported gonorrhea is a disease of
17 concern because of drug resistance. Treatment
18 recommendations include 250 milligrams of
19 ceftriaxone, now increased to 500 milligrams.

20 He referred to a network of STD clinics and state
21 health centers that offer free STD services across
22 the state.

23 Ms. Butler had discussion regarding mandatory
24 testing for sex trafficking. She noted field staff
25 throughout the state have had some individuals who

1 have been trafficked and have made sure they are
2 tested and treated. There are trainings dealing with
3 human trafficking.

4 A series of links regarding this matter as well
5 as other health alerts were provided by Ms. Butler.

6 Dr. Bonnaci commented that CDC in June of 2024
7 released clinical guidelines for use of doxycycline
8 as a post exposure prophylaxis. He will provide that
9 link in the chat.]

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11 Report of Prosecuting Attorneys

12 [Jason Anderson, Esquire, Board Prosecutor, on behalf
13 of Heather McCarthy, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
14 Liaison, presented the VRP Consent Agreement for Case
15 No. 24-49-014364.

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17 [Shana M. Walter, Esquire, Senior Board Counsel,
18 noted the Board entered into Executive Session this
19 morning for the purpose of conducting quasi-judicial
20 deliberations and to receive the advice of counsel.]

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22 MS. WALTER:

23 I believe the Board would entertain a
24 motion to approve the VRP Consent
25 Agreement at Number 4 on the agenda,

1 Case No. 24-49-014364.

2 DR. YEALY:

3 So moved.

4 DR. KUTZ:

5 Second.

6 CHAIR WOODLAND:

7 Any further discussion on this item?

8 Hearing none, Sai, could we have a roll
9 call vote please?

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11 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
12 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
13 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
14 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
15 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

16 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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18 Approval of Minutes

19 CHAIR WOODLAND:

20 Do I have a motion to accept Item No,
21 2, the September 17, 2024 Minutes?

22 DR. YEALY:

23 So moved.

24 DR. KUTZ:

25 Second.

1 CHAIR WOODLAND:

2 Any further discussion? Thank you for
3 making some changes put forth by Board
4 members who read the Minutes, I do
5 appreciate that.

6 Hearing no other further
7 discussion, Sai, could we have a roll
8 call, please?

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10 Acting Commissioner Claggett, abstain;
11 Dr. Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
12 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
13 Eisenhauer, abstain; Dr. Bonacci, aye;
14 Dr. Six, abstain; Dr. Kutz, aye.

15 [The motion carried. Acting Commissioner Claggett,
16 Mr. Eisenhauer, Dr. Six abstained from voting on the
17 motion. Chair Woodland noted Dr. Bonacci's vote
18 would be abstained as he was not present at that
19 meeting.]

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21 Report of Prosecuting Attorneys (cont.)

22 [Jason Anderson, Esquire, Board Prosecutor, presented
23 a Consent Agreement for Case No. 19-49-018532, 20-49-
24 007923 and 21-49-017705, a three file-pack]

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2 MS. WALTER:

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8 DR. YEALY:

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10 DR. KUTZ:

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12 CHAIR WOODLAND:

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22 [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's

23 name for No. 5 is Ashok J. Bharucha, M.D.]

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25 [Keith E. Bashore, Esquire, Board Prosecutor,

1 presented eight Consent Agreements, the first being
2 Item No. 6, Case No. 22-49-006274.]

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4 MS. WALTER:

5 I believe the Board would entertain a
6 motion to reject as too lenient Consent
7 Agreement for Case No. 22-49-006274 on
8 the agenda.

9 DR. YEALY:

10 So moved.

11 DR. KUTZ:

12 Second.

13 CHAIR WOODLAND:

14 Any further discussion on Item No. 6?
15 Hearing none, could we have a roll call
16 vote, please?

17

18 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
19 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, nay; Mr.
20 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
21 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
22 Kutz, aye.

23 [The motion carried. Dr. Six recused from
24 deliberations and voting on the motion.]

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1 [Mr. Bashore presented a Consent Agreement for Item
2 No. 7. Case No. 22-49-009914.]

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4 MS. WALTER:

5 I believe the Board would entertain a
6 motion to accept the Consent Agreement
7 for No. 7 on the agenda, Case No. 22-
8 49-009914.

9 DR. YEALY:

10 So moved.

11 DR. KUTZ:

12 Second.

13 CHAIR WOODLAND:

14 Any further discussion on Item No. 7?
15 Hearing none, could we have a roll call
16 vote, please?

17
18 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
19 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
20 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
21 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
22 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

23 [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's
24 name for No. 7 is Frederick D. Burton, M.D.]

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1 [Mr. Bashore presented a Consent Agreement for Case
2 No. 8, Case No. 23-49-001999.]

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4 MS. WALTER:

5 I believe the Board would entertain a
6 motion to accept the Consent Agreement
7 for No. 8 on the agenda, Case No. 23-
8 49-001999.

9 DR. YEALY:

10 So moved.

11 DR. KUTZ:

12 Second.

13 CHAIR WOODLAND:

14 Any further discussion on Item No. 8?
15 Hearing none, could we have a roll call
16 vote, please, Sai?

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18 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
19 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
20 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
21 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
22 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

23 [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's
24 name for No. 8 Navita Modi, M.D.]

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1 [Mr. Bashore presented a Consent Agreement for No. 9,
2 Case No. 23-49-015439.]

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4 MS. WALTER:

5 I believe the Board would entertain a
6 motion to accept the Consent Agreement
7 for No. 9 on the agenda, Case No. 23-
8 49-015439.

9 DR. YEALY:

10 So moved.

11 DR. KUTZ:

12 Second.

13 CHAIR WOODLAND:

14 Any further conversation on Item No. 9?
15 Hearing none, could we have a roll call
16 vote, please, Sai?

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18 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
19 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
20 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
21 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
22 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

23 [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's
24 name for No. 9 is Ross A. Horsley, M.D.]

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1 [Mr. Bashore presented a Consent Agreement for No.
2 10, Case No. 24-49-002704.]

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4 MS. WALTER:

5 I believe the Board would entertain a
6 motion to reject as too lenient the
7 Consent Agreement for No. 10 on the
8 agenda, Case No. 24-49-002704.

9 DR. YEALY:

10 So moved.

11 DR. KUTZ:

12 Second.

13 CHAIR WOODLAND:

14 Any further discussion on Item No. 10?
15 Hearing none, could we have a roll call
16 vote, please, Sai?

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18 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
19 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
20 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
21 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
22 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

23 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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25 [Mr. Bashore presented a Consent Agreement for No 11,

1 Case No. 24-49-008106.}

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3 MS. WALTER:

4 I believe the Board would entertain a
5 motion to reject as too lenient the
6 Consent Agreement for No. 11 on the
7 agenda, Case No. 24-49-008106.

8 DR. YEALY:

9 So moved.

10 DR. KUTZ:

11 Second.

12 CHAIR WOODLAND:

13 Any further discussion on Item No. 11?
14 Hearing none, could we have a roll call
15 vote, please, Sai?

16
17 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
18 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
19 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
20 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
21 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

22 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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24 [Mr. Bashore presented a Consent Agreement for No.
25 12, Case No. 24-49-011533.]

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2 MS. WALTER:

3 I believe the Board would entertain a
4 motion to accept the Consent Agreement
5 for No. 12 on the agenda, Case No. 24-
6 49-011533.

7 DR. YEALY:

8 So moved.

9 DR. KUTZ:

10 Second.

11 CHAIR WOODLAND:

12 Any further discussion on Item No. 12?
13 Hearing none, could we have a roll call
14 vote, please, Sai?

15
16 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
17 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
18 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
19 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
20 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

21 [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's
22 name for No. 12 is Marc F.G. Estafanous, M.D.]

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24 [Mr. Bashore presented a Consent Agreement for No.
25 13, Case No. 24-49-015091.]

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2 MS. WALTER:

3 I believe the Board would entertain a
4 motion to accept the Consent Agreement
5 for No. 13 on the agenda, Case No. 24-
6 49-015091.

7 DR. YEALY:

8 So moved.

9 DR. KUTZ:

10 Second.

11 CHAIR WOODLAND:

12 Any further discussion on Item No. 13?
13 Hearing none, could we have a roll call
14 vote, please, Sai?

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16 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
17 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
18 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
19 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
20 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

21 [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's
22 name for No. 13 is Kieran A. Slevin, M.D.]

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24 {Berk Demiral, Esquire, Board Prosecutor, presented a
25 Consent Agreement for No. 14, Case No. 22-49-017413

1 and No. 15, Case No. 24-49-012482.]

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3 MS. WALTER:

4 I believe the Board would entertain a
5 motion to approve the Consent
6 Agreements for No. 14 and 15 on the
7 agenda, Case No. 22-49-017413 and Case
8 No. 24-49-012482.

9 DR. YEALY:

10 So moved.

11 DR. KUTZ:

12 Second.

13 CHAIR WOODLAND:

14 Any further discussion on Item Nos. 14
15 and 15? Hearing none, Sai, could we
16 have a roll call vote, please?

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18 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
19 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
20 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
21 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
22 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

23 [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's
24 name for No. 14 is Henry Michael Kurban, M.D. and No.
25 15 is Jennifer Marie Stillmayer.]

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2 [Patrick Greene, Esquire, Board Prosecutor, presented
3 Consent Agreements for Nos. 16, Case No. 20-49-005979
4 and 17, Case No. 23-49-010140.]

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6 MS. WALTER:

7 I believe the Board would entertain a
8 motion to approve Consent Agreements at
9 Nos. 16, Case No. 20-49-005979 and 17,
10 Case No. 23-49-010140.

11 DR. YEALY:

12 So moved.

13 DR. KUTZ:

14 Second.

15 CHAIR WOODLAND:

16 Any further discussion on Item Nos. 16
17 and 17? Hearing none, Sai, could we
18 have a roll call vote, please?

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20 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
21 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
22 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
23 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
24 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

25 [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's

1 name for No. 16 is John Peter Kennedy, M.D. and No.
2 17 is Sondra Suzette Perry, PA-C.]

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4 [Courtney J. Restemayer, Esquire, Board Prosecutor,
5 Item No. 18, Case No. 22-49-008891 will be presented
6 at a different agenda in the future.]

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8 [Mark Zogby, Esquire, Board Prosecutor, presented a
9 Consent Agreement for No. 19, Case No. 20-49-008422.]

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11 MS. WALTER:

12 I believe the Board would entertain a
13 motion to approve the Consent Agreement
14 at No. 19, Case No. 20-49-008422.

15 DR. YEALY:

16 So moved.

17 DR. KUTZ:

18 Second.

19 CHAIR WOODLAND:

20 Any further discussion on Item No. 19?
21 Hearing none, Sai, could we have a roll
22 call vote, please?

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24 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.

25 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.

1 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
2 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
3 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

4 [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's
5 name for No. 19 is Yitzchok B. Kurtzer, M.D.]

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7 Report of Board Counsel

8 Proposed Reports from Hearing Examiner

9 MS. WUCINSKI:

10 I believe the Board would entertain a
11 motion to direct Board Counsel to draft
12 an Adjudication and Order consistent
13 with discussion in Executive Session
14 for Lorveline Salomon at Case No. 24-
15 49-002053.

16 DR. YEALY:

17 So moved.

18 DR. KUTZ:

19 Second.

20 CHAIR WOODLAND:

21 Any further discussion on Item 20?
22 Hearing none, could we have a roll call
23 please?

24

25 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.

1 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
2 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
3 Eisenhower, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
4 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

5 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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7 MS. WUCINSKI:

8 I believe the Board would entertain a
9 motion to adopt as final the following
10 Proposed Adjudications and Orders of
11 the Hearing Examiner.

12 Agenda Item No. 21, Shirley
13 Williams, Case No. 24-49-003928 and
14 Agenda Item No. 24, Subir Ray, M.D.,
15 Case No. 24-49-007689.

16 DR. YEALY:

17 So moved.

18 DR. KUTZ:

19 Second.

20 CHAIR WOODLAND:

21 Any further discussion on Items 21 or
22 24? Hearing none, Sai, could we have a
23 roll call please?

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25 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.

1 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
2 Dillon, Item 21, nay, Item 24, aye; Dr.
3 Ripchinski, Item 21, nay, Item 24, aye;
4 Mr. Eisenhower, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye;
5 Dr. Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

6 [The motion carried.]

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8 MS. WUCINSKI:

9 I believe the Board would entertain a
10 motion to adopt the Hearing Examiner's
11 Proposed Adjudication and substitute
12 Final Board Order for Amanda S. Young,
13 Item No. 22, Case No. 24-49-000112.

14 DR. YEALY:

15 So moved.

16 DR. KUTZ:

17 Second.

18 CHAIR WOODLAND:

19 Any further discussion on Item 22?
20 Hearing none, Sai, could we have a roll
21 call please?

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23 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
24 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
25 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.

1 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
2 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

3 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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5 MS. WUCINSKI:

6 I believe the Board would entertain a
7 motion to adopt as final the Hearing
8 Examiner's Adjudication and Order for
9 Erica B. McDonald, Item No. 23, Case
10 No. 24-49-009071.

11 DR. YEALY:

12 So moved.

13 DR. KUTZ:

14 Second.

15 CHAIR WOODLAND:

16 Any further discussion on Item 23?
17 Hearing none, could we have a roll call
18 please?

19
20 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
21 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
22 Dillon, nay; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
23 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
24 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

25 [The motion carried.]

1 ***

2 Adjudication for Board Approval

3 MS. WUCINSKI:

4 I believe the Board would entertain a
5 motion to direct Board Counsel to draft
6 an Adjudication and Order addressing
7 exceptions consistent with discussion
8 in Executive Session for Scott William
9 Smith, M.D., Item No. 23, Case No. 23-
10 49-006921.

11 DR. YEALY:

12 So moved.

13 DR. KUTZ:

14 Second.

15 CHAIR WOODLAND:

16 Any further discussion on Item 25?
17 Hearing none, could we have a roll call
18 please?

19
20 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
21 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
22 Dillon, nay; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
23 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
24 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

25 [The motion carried.]

1 ***

2 Final Adjudications for Board Approval

3 MS. WUCINSKI:

4 I believe the Board would entertain a
5 motion to adopt as final the Draft
6 Adjudication and Order for Item Nos. 26
7 and 27, Mahendra J. Panchal, M.D., Case
8 No. 22-49-013015 and Sri Chandra Swami,
9 M.D., Case No. 23-49-002635.

10 DR. YEALY:

11 So moved.

12 DR. KUTZ:

13 Second.

14 CHAIR WOODLAND:

15 Any further discussion on Items 26 or
16 27? Hearing none, could we have a roll
17 call please?

18
19 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
20 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
21 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
22 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
23 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

24 [The motion carried unanimously.]

25 ***

1 Other

2 MS. WUCINSKI:

3 I believe the Board would entertain a
4 motion to grant the reactivation
5 application for active-retired license
6 for Richard A. Brown, M.D.

7 DR. YEALY:

8 So moved.

9 DR. KUTZ:

10 Second.

11 CHAIR WOODLAND:

12 Any further discussion on Item 29?
13 Hearing none, could we have a roll call
14 please?

15
16 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
17 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
18 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
19 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
20 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

21 [The motion carried unanimously.]

22 ***

23 Applications for Licensure

24 Applications - Allied Health Professionals

25 MS. WUCINSKI:

1 I'm going to group some of these
2 together. I believe the Board would
3 entertain a motion to grant the
4 following applications for licenses to
5 practice as behavior specialists:
6 Agenda Item 34, Marcus DeVose; Agenda
7 Item 39, Jewel Kaplan.

8 DR. YEALY:

9 So moved.

10 DR. KUTZ:

11 Second.

12 CHAIR WOODLAND:

13 Any further discussion on Items 34 or
14 39? Hearing none, could we have a roll
15 call please?

16

17 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
18 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
19 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
20 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
21 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

22 [The motion carried unanimously.]

23

24 MS. WUCINSKI:

25 I believe the Board would entertain a

1 motion to provisionally deny the
2 following applications for licenses to
3 practice as a behavior specialist:
4 Agenda Items 31 through 33, 35, 36
5 through 37, 38, the names being
6 Susmaria Charles; Dahn Kepayea Dennis;
7 Chad Derck; Taylor Shae Eaton; Iris
8 Nereida Garcia; Nikole Fitzpatrick;
9 Corey Brandon Fox.

10 DR. YEALY:

11 So moved.

12 DR. KUTZ:

13 Second.

14 CHAIR WOODLAND:

15 Any further discussion on Items 31, 32,
16 33, 35, 36, 37, 38? Hearing none,
17 could we have a roll call please?

18
19 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
20 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
21 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
22 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
23 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

24 [The motion carried unanimously.]

25

1 Applications - Unrestricted Physician and Surgeon

2 MS. WUCINSKI:

3 I believe the Board would entertain a
4 motion to table Agenda Items 41 and 42
5 to allow Cynthia Yvonne Alston, M.D.
6 and Maria Isabel Crisostomo, M.D. to
7 successfully complete a re-entry
8 program.

9 DR. YEALY:

10 So moved.

11 DR. KUTZ:

12 Second.

13 CHAIR WOODLAND:

14 Any further discussion on Items 41 or
15 42? Hearing none, could we have a roll
16 call please?

17

18 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
19 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
20 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
21 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
22 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

23 [The motion carried unanimously.]

24

25 MS. WUCINSKI:

1 Agenda Item 45. I believe the Board
2 would entertain a motion to grant the
3 initial license to practice as a
4 physician and surgeon for Ion
5 Prohntchi, M.D.

6 DR. YEALY:

7 So moved.

8 DR. KUTZ:

9 Second.

10 CHAIR WOODLAND:

11 Any further discussion on Item 45?
12 Hearing none, could we have a roll call
13 please?

14
15 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
16 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
17 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
18 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
19 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

20 [The motion carried unanimously.]

21 ***

22 MS. WUCINSKI:

23 I believe the Board would entertain a
24 motion to table the following
25 applications for licenses to practice

1 as a physician and surgeon to allow the
2 applicants to apply for an
3 institutional license. Agenda Item 40,
4 Amjad Alsanti, M.D.; Agenda Item 44,
5 Vongtawan Juntavee, M.D.

6 DR. YEALY:

7 So moved.

8 DR. KUTZ:

9 Second.

10 CHAIR WOODLAND:

11 Any further discussion on Items 40 or
12 44? Hearing none, could we have a roll
13 call please?

14
15 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
16 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
17 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
18 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
19 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

20 [The motion carried unanimously.]

21 ***

22 MS. WUCINSKI:

23 I believe the Board would entertain a
24 motion to provisionally deny the
25 initial application for a license to

1 practice as a physician and surgeon for
2 Agenda Item 43, Avi Factor, M.D. and
3 Agenda Item 46, Eman Spaulding, M.D.

4 DR. YEALY:

5 So moved.

6 DR. KUTZ:

7 Second.

8 CHAIR WOODLAND:

9 Any further discussion on Items 43 or
10 46? Hearing none, could we have a roll
11 call please?

12

13 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
14 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
15 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
16 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
17 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

18 [The motion carried unanimously.]

19

20 Applications - Reactivations

21 MS. WUCINSKI:

22 On Agenda Item 47, I believe the Board
23 would entertain a motion to deny the
24 collaborative agreement of Emily
25 Neiman, nurse midwife.

1 DR. YEALY:

2 So moved.

3 DR. KUTZ:

4 Second.

5 CHAIR WOODLAND:

6 Any further discussion on Item 47?

7 Hearing none, could we have a roll call
8 please?

9

10 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
11 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
12 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
13 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
14 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

15 [The motion carried unanimously.]

16

17 MS. WUCINSKI:

18 I believe the Board would entertain a
19 motion to table the following
20 reactivation applications to allow the
21 applicants to complete a re-entry
22 program, Agenda Items 49 through 51,
23 the names being Hershey Sheldon Bell,
24 M.D.; Kerry Robinson McGee, M.D.;
25 Ramona Faith Swaby, M.D.

1 DR. YEALY:

2 So moved.

3 DR. KUTZ:

4 Second.

5 CHAIR WOODLAND:

6 Any further discussion on Items 49, 50
7 or 51? Hearing none, could we have a
8 roll call please?

9

10 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
11 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
12 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
13 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
14 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

15 [The motion carried unanimously.]

16

17 MS. WUCINSKI:

18 Agenda Item 48, I believe the Board
19 would entertain a motion to grant the
20 following reactivation application:
21 Erica Lynn Gadelmeyer, athletic
22 trainer.

23 DR. YEALY:

24 So moved.

25 DR. KUTZ:

1 Second.

2 CHAIR WOODLAND:

3 Any further discussion on Item 48?

4 Hearing none, could we have a roll call
5 please?

6

7 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
8 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
9 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
10 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
11 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

12 [The motion carried unanimously.]

13

14 Ratifications

15 MS. WUCINSKI:

16 Agenda Items 52 ad 53, I believe the
17 Board would entertain a motion to
18 ratify the granting of the following
19 applications: the applications to
20 practice as a physician and surgeon of
21 Raed Mousa, M.D. and Renu Paneru, M.D.

22 DR. YEALY:

23 So moved.

24 DR. KUTZ:

25 Second.

1 CHAIR WOODLAND:

2 Any further discussion on Items 52 and
3 53? Hearing none, could we have a roll
4 call please?

5

6 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
7 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
8 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
9 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
10 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

11 [The motion carried unanimously.]

12

13 Miscellaneous

14 MS. WUCINSKI:

15 I believe the Board would entertain a
16 motion to deny the reconsideration
17 request of Deanna Gross, Agenda Item
18 55.

19 DR. YEALY:

20 So moved.

21 DR. KUTZ:

22 Second.

23 CHAIR WOODLAND:

24 Any further discussion on Item 55?
25 Hearing none, could we have a roll call

1 please?

2

3 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
4 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
5 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
6 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.
7 Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

8 [The motion carried unanimously.]

9

10 MS. WUCINSKI:

11 Item 57, I believe the Board would
12 entertain a motion to deny the written
13 agreement waiver request from Penn
14 State Health for the following
15 positions: John Spence Reid, M.D.;
16 Henry Boateng, M.D.; Jana Davis, M.D.;
17 Kevin James Perry, M.D. noting that Dr.
18 Bonacci is recused.

19 DR. YEALY:

20 So moved.

21 DR. KUTZ:

22 Second.

23 CHAIR WOODLAND:

24 Any further discussion on Item 57?

25 Hearing none, could we have a roll call

1 please?

2

3 Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.
4 Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.
5 Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.
6 Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Six, aye; Dr.
7 Kutz, aye.

8 [The motion carried. Dr. Bonacci recused from
9 deliberations and voting on the motion.]

10 ***

11 MS. WUCINSKI:

12 Item 59, I believe the Board would
13 entertain a motion to grant the USMLE
14 Exam Attempt Waiver Request of Andres
15 Juan Onetto, M.D. to sponsor him for an
16 additional attempt at the USMLE step
17 three.

18 DR. YEALY:

19 So moved.

20 DR. KUTZ:

21 Second.

22 CHAIR WOODLAND:

23 Any further discussion on Item 59?
24 Hearing none, could we have a roll call
25 please?

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2

Acting Commissioner Claggett, aye; Dr.

3

Woodland, aye; Dr. Yealy, aye; Mr.

4

Dillon, aye; Dr. Ripchinski, aye; Mr.

5

Eisenhauer, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Dr.

6

Six, aye; Dr. Kutz, aye.

7

[The motion carried unanimously.]

8

9

Regulatory Report

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[Ms. Wucinski noted that Item 28 is regarding

11

Licensure by Endorsement, 16A-4958 and should

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actually be entitled Final Published because on

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Saturday, the Act 41 regulation was published as

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final after being approved by the OAG. She noted the

15

Board has already implemented Act 41 and the

16

published version of this will be on the Board's next

17

agenda.

18

Ms. Wucinski attached the Regulatory Report sent

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by Regulatory Counsel.

20

Dr. Yealy commented this would be of great

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interest to many people who have an interest in how

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people can access practice and licensure coming from

23

differing backgrounds.

24

Chair Woodland commented this helps to better

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define the process and also falls under the auspice

1 of the Commission on Additional Licensing Models.]

2

3 Discussion on Act 41 Pathway to Licensure

4 [Dr. Dillon commented the Board receives requests
5 from individuals who have credentials and experiences
6 that go a slightly different pathway than what is
7 seen in most individuals applying for licenses in the
8 state of Pennsylvania. There is a way for
9 individuals to get a license granted if they have a
10 slightly different pathway through the Board's
11 endorsement of those credentials. Requests are just
12 beginning to be received for consideration under Act
13 41.

14 He indicated as a reminder that the individual
15 who applies through Act 41 is already licensed in
16 another jurisdiction, is in good standing in that
17 jurisdiction, has been practicing for at least two of
18 the five years prior to the application, and that in
19 the Board's opinion the licensing process in that
20 other jurisdiction is substantially equivalent to
21 what is used in Pennsylvania. Dr. Dillon opined the
22 approach to take is to think about what kinds of
23 things we know about individuals who receive a
24 license in Pennsylvania through the normal process
25 and how those circumstances and conditions can be

1 related to those individuals coming through Act 41.

2 Dr. Yealy commented this is a pathway and
3 opportunity for which the Board and individual
4 applicants have a responsibility, but applicants can
5 make the process go more smoothly if objective
6 information is provided.]

7 ***

8 Board Meeting Dates

9 [Chair Woodland referred members to the upcoming
10 2024-2025 Board meeting dates. He noted the 12/23/25
11 scheduled meeting is during the holiday weekend next
12 year and inquired whether the date was appropriate.
13 Available dates for that month would be reviewed and
14 emailed to the Board for approval.]

15 ***

16 PA Support Letter to Temple

17 [Chair Woodland indicated the team at Temple has
18 created a curriculum used by everyone for the PA
19 Support and suggested the Board draft a letter to
20 thank them for their efforts and recognition for
21 creating this curriculum.]

22 ***

23 [Attorney Wucinski indicated this is an FYI to let
24 the Board know that the Commonwealth Court affirmed
25 the Board's decision in Olugbade-Oseyemi, M.D. vs.

1 the State Board of Medicine.]

2

3 Advisory Committee on Additional Licensing Models
4 [Chair Woodland reported the advisory commission of
5 the FSMB, Intel and the ACGME to put together a draft
6 document on additional licensing models to include
7 guidelines one through ten, which is included in his
8 report.

9 Dr. Woodland read the guidelines into the record
10 as follows: Rulemaking authority should be delegated
11 to the State Medical Board; the applicant should be a
12 graduate from a medical school; the application
13 should complete some type of postgraduate training;
14 license or authority to practice medicine in another
15 country should be part of the application; a
16 limitation on how to practice time; an offer of
17 employment needed to enter an alternate pathway for
18 any state or commonwealth; there should be
19 provisional time limited licensed prior to a full
20 unrestricted license; eligibility precedes full
21 unrestricted licensure; standard reporting
22 requirements should exist between the applicant and
23 the institution assigned to; and resources such as
24 experienced staff funds for state medical boards
25 should be applied by the state or territory.

1 Dr. Woodland noted the FSMB is requesting
2 comments regarding these guidelines either by a Board
3 or public member at the website noted. Members were
4 asked to send any comments to the Board Administrator
5 who will submit them by December 6.

6 Dr. Yealy complimented staff and others who are
7 members of the Pennsylvania Board of Medicine and
8 noted that the Board's actions really align well with
9 this independent national body's approach as to how
10 to address this particular opportunity, that this
11 Board has already used many of these same
12 principles.]

13 ***

14 Discussion on State Board Rankings - Public Citizen
15 [Chair Woodland noted this publication, Ranking of
16 the Rate of State Medical Board's Serious
17 Disciplinary Actions, was put out by the Public
18 Citizens Health Research Group. He stated this group
19 looks at serious actions taken by state medical
20 boards, which are ranked by the number of practicing
21 physicians in the state and serious actions are
22 judged based upon the number of serious actions and
23 the physicians in the state.

24 He read a comment into the record that the trend
25 for Pennsylvania MD Board is particularly alarming,

1 and for 2019, 2020, 2021, the PA MD Board ranked 27th
2 and for 2023 is ranked 52nd with a mean rate of .26
3 serious disciplinary actions per thousand physicians.

4 Chair Woodland noted the PA Board has nearly
5 56,000 licensees, the fifth largest in the country.
6 He reviewed statistics noted in the publication.

7 It was also noted the trend for the PA DO Board
8 as being similar.

9 Chair Woodland commented this Board is following
10 due process correctly, and matters are taken very
11 seriously.

12 Dr. Dillon commented people are hesitant to put
13 too much weight on these reports, and it is not an
14 indication of a degradation or quality of processes.

15 Dr. Yealy commented this would be similar to
16 trying to assess quality of care by looking at
17 malpractice filings or judgments, it only describes a
18 fraction of it but applauded Public Citizen for
19 recognizing the importance of state medical boards in
20 ensuring the best possible providers and care across
21 the United States.]

22 ***

23 Report of Board Chair

24 [Mark B. Woodland, Board Chair, noted much of his
25 report has already been covered including the history

1 of election day, and other include health observances
2 for the National Health Observances for October
3 including National Breast Cancer Awareness Month,
4 National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, National
5 HIV/AIDS Awareness Month, which raises impact of HIV
6 and AIDS on Hispanics.

7 November NHOs include National Diabetes Month,
8 National COPD Awareness Month, a good time to
9 highlight the health benefits of quitting smoking.
10 U.S. Antibiotic Awareness Week to raise awareness of
11 antibiotic resistance and to spread the message
12 regarding the importance of proper antibiotic use
13 with CDC's Antibiotics Aware Partner Tool Kit.

14 Also included in the Chair's Report is the FSMB
15 Attorneys' Workshop, which Ms. Wucinski will attend
16 November 7 and 8, 2025, in Reno, Nevada.

17 FSMB Events, Chair Woodland noted previous
18 discussion on the Advisory Commission on Alternative
19 Licensing. He raised awareness from the FSMB webinar
20 of the M Factor, Shredding the Silence of Menopause,
21 October 17, 2024.

22 He noted the Public Citizen report was already
23 discussed.

24 Chair Woodland offered AMA information in his
25 report including conversation regarding the

1 bipartisan bill to stabilize Medicare physician
2 payment for 2025. Fixing the IV fluid shortage and
3 addressing the supply trend. Cracking down on ERISA
4 plans using prior authorization and how that will
5 impact providers and the citizens of the
6 Commonwealth.

7 A report was also included from the AAMC and the
8 Center for Health Justice, which explores national
9 perspective on civic engagement including the Center
10 for Health Justice data on civic engagement and key
11 policy issues prioritized by adults and adolescents
12 published in October 2024.

13 AAMC news concerning the abortion bans in
14 different states was in the Chair's report and how
15 the Dobbs' decision has impacted emergency medicine.

16 Chair Woodland noted the Learn, Serve, Lead
17 Annual meeting will be held in Atlanta.]

18 ***

19 Report of Vice Chair

20 [Donald M. Yealy, M.D., Vice Chair, thanked staff,
21 investigative and legal counsel, Board members noting
22 this being an aggressive agenda, and that much work
23 that happens before today to make sure the Board is
24 doing the job as best as possible.

25 Regarding antibiotic appropriateness, Dr. Yealy

1 stated it was acceptable to say no; "it's not a
2 panacea for any form of pestilence."

3 He referred to a trauma event occurring a few
4 weeks ago at the Penn Presbyterian Medical Center for
5 discussion.]

6 ***

7 Report of Acting Commissioner

8 [Arion Claggett, Acting Commissioner, made the Board
9 aware that System Automation was selected as the
10 licensure replacement vendor, which is scheduled to
11 be up and running in late 2025.

12 Chair Woodland noted a recent meeting with the
13 Black Women's Health Caucus regarding extension of
14 mandatory CME as it relates to cultural sensitivities
15 and bias. Chair Woodland, students and residents
16 will put into place an inventory of what other states
17 are doing regarding mandatory CME. Additional
18 information regarding the matter will be forthcoming.

19 Acting Commissioner Claggett indicated reps would
20 present before the Board regarding the importance of
21 bias and request a vote to add that to the CMEs.]

22 ***

23 Report of Department of Health

24 [Debra Bogen, M.D., FAAP, was available during
25 Executive Session and raised awareness of flu, COVID

1 and the importance of vaccines. STD issues were also
2 a concern.

3 Robert Bonacci, M.D. will provide a full report
4 at December's meeting but commented that a health
5 advisory was issued in October regarding the IV fluid
6 shortage and noted more information is available on
7 the website. Health care professionals are
8 encouraging patients who are eligible to receive
9 COVID, influenza and RSV vaccines.]

10 ***

11 Report of Committee of Health-Related Professionals -
12 No Report

13 ***

14 Report of Committee on Legislation/Policy Development
15 and Review

16 [Chair Woodland recognized the Journal of Medical
17 Regulation has new editorship and is looking at
18 raising the stakes on this journal for the future.
19 Additional information will be forthcoming.]

20 ***

21 Report of Committee on Licensure Qualifications -
22 No Report

23 ***

24 {Chair Woodland referred to the State Board of
25 Medicine Committee Information in the agenda for

1 additional discussion.]

2 ***

3 Public Comments

4 [A member of the public thanked the Board for a very
5 productive meeting, which he found useful noting he
6 would do his best to serve the community. He and his
7 wife studied medicine in Gaza and noted having two
8 children studying medicine. He stated being proud to
9 be present and looked forward to be a productive
10 doctor in Pennsylvania.

11 Chair Woodland thanked him for being part of the
12 team that provides healthcare to the citizens in the
13 Commonwealth.]

14 ***

15 Adjournment

16 CHAIR WOODLAND:

17 Do I have a motion to adjourn?

18 DR. YEALY:

19 So moved.

20 DR. KUTZ:

21 Second.

22 CHAIR WOODLAND:

23 Thank you everybody.

24 ***

25 [There being no other business, the State Board of

1 Medicine Meeting adjourned at 12:39 p.m.]

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3 [The next meeting is scheduled for December 17,
4 2024.]

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CERTIFICATE

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

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Derek Richmond,

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Minute Clerk

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