

1 STATE OF ALASKA
2 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
3 DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING
4 BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS
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6 MINUTES OF THE MEETING
7 August 4, 2022

8 By authority of AS 08.01.070(2), and in compliance with the provisions of AS 44.62, Article 6, a scheduled
9 meeting of the Board of Chiropractic Examiners was held via Videoconference on August 4, 2022.

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11 **Item 1 Call to Order/Roll**

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13 The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman Dr. Brian Larson, at 09:05 a.m. Members present
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16 **Roll Call**

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18 **Board Members present, constituting a quorum:**

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20 Brian Larson, Doctor of Chiropractic
21 Tim Kanady, Doctor of Chiropractic
22 James Morris, Doctor of Chiropractic
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26 **Board Members absent:**

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28 John Lloyd, Doctor of Chiropractic – excused
29 Public Member, Vacant
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31 **Division Staff present were:**

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33 Reid Bowman, Records and Licensing Supervisor
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35 **Present from the Public:**

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37 Debbie Ryan – Alaska Chiropractic Society (ACS)
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39 **Item 2 Review/Approve Agenda**

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41 Dr. Larson directed the board to review the agenda for any additions, revisions or suggestions.
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43 **On a motion duly made by Tim Kanady, seconded by Walter Campbell, and approved**
44 **unanimously by a roll call, it was RESOLVED to APPROVE the agenda as written.**

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Item 3 Ethics Report

Dr. Larson conducted a roll call of board members asking for anything to report. There were no violations to report.

Item 4 Public Comment

Public comment was solicited at 9:09 a.m., and none was offered.

Item 5 Discussion about Continuing Education (CE) Requirements

Dr. Campbell began a discussion about a concern he had with the board website stating the CE requirements for the 2020 to 2022 licensing period had been reduced to half the normal amounts. This was a statement of the requirements for license renewal as of December 31, 2020 to account for the difficulty in completing continuing education during the COVID-19 health emergency. Dr. Campbell stated the language on the website was easily misinterpreted to mean the current requirements had been reduced and wanted to discuss how to address licensees who made a good faith effort to complete the CE needed per the website.

Records and Licensing Supervisor (RLS) Bowman stated the Division was considering moving the expiration date for the Chiropractic program permanently to March 31st of even years to spread out the renewal workload among support staff, and that if this was enacted it would give licensees three more months to complete the CE required in regulation.

Dr. Campbell asked RLS Bowman to present the letter submitted by Dr. John Lloyd about the topic, since he was unable to attend the meeting.

Ms. Debbie Ryan from the ACS was invited to give her opinion of the topic. Ms. Ryan stated there was no misconception about the CE, and affirmed the Division sent an email on behalf of the board listing the proper requirements on March 16, 2022. ACS also quoted the requirements in their April newsletter and each newsletter after that. These newsletters were sent to all chiropractors and their staff. The information was also posted on the ACS website. Ms. Ryan also stated she had heard no confusion from any chiropractors or their staff when registering for the ACS convention or through routine correspondence.

Dr. Campbell reiterated he felt strongly about not penalizing anyone who misinterpreted the information and wanted to discuss how to deal with any licensees who did not complete the CE based on the posted information. RLS Bowman stated there would be the ability for anyone to request a hardship exemption the board could consider.

Ms. Ryan stated a permanent extension to March 31, may cause undue burden for practitioners and office staff. The change would double the effort required to maintain credentialing for offices as they would need to submit all documentation twice.

The board asked the Alaska Chiropractic Society to administer a poll asking licensees how they felt about a permanent change in expiration date, for consideration at a future meeting scheduled for September 8, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

On a motion duly made by Brian Larson, seconded by Walter Campbell, and approved unanimously by a roll call, it was RESOLVED to convene a meeting on September 8, 2022 to discuss the permanent extension of license dates.

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Item 6 Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Reid Bowman

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Reid Bowman, Program Coordinator

Approved:

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Dr. Brian Larson, Chairperson

Board of Chiropractic Examiners

Date: 2/20/2023