

Adjudication Panel Meeting Minutes
Board of Medical Examiners
301 South Park Avenue, 4th Floor Large Conference Room, Helena, MT
9:00 a.m.
November 20, 2015

1. Call to Order - Establish Quorum - Introduction of Board & Staff Present (00:00:13)

Presiding Officer, Dr. Feist, called the Montana Board of Medical Examiners Adjudication Panel meeting to order in open session at 9:10 a.m.

Members Present: James Feist, MD Presiding Officer
Carole Erickson, Public Member
Charles Farmer, AEMT
Mary Anne Guggenheim, MD
Prof. Ana Diaz, Public Member
Ms. Pat Bollinger, MS RD, via conference call

Members Absent:

Mr. Dwight Thompson, PA

Staff Present:

Ms. Graden Hahn, Board Counsel
Ms. Jennifer Schofield, Compliance Specialist
Mr. Mike Fanning, Department Counsel
Mr. Ian Marquand, Executive Officer
Ms. Juanita Kazmierowski, Administrative Specialist
Mr. Ken Threet, Training Development Specialist

Guests Present:

Ms. Tamara Schmalz, MPAP

2. Approval and Tentative Modification of Agenda Order (00:00:55)

MOTION: (00:01:25) Dr. Guggenheim moved to approve the Agenda presented. Ms. Erickson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. Review and Approve July 17, 2015 Minutes (00:01:58)

MOTION: (00:02:37) Professor Diaz moved to approve the July 17, 2015 Minutes with the amendment to spell Mr. Mike Ramirez name correctly. Mr. Farmer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4. Compliant Register (00:03:03)

5. Public Opportunity to Comment (00:03:49)

The Presiding Officer read the statement of public participation. There was no public present that wished to comment.

6. Panel Actions (00:04:37)

a. Proposed Final Orders by Default

Complaint #2013-MED-LIC-566 ECK, CHARLES, M.D. (00:04:44)

Ms. Bollinger and Dr. Guggenheim recused themselves from discussion and vote on this case.

MOTION: (00:09:14) Mr. Farmer moved to table case until the next Adjudication Panel meeting in two months and ask the licensee to complete the conditions set forth and he contact MPAP. Professor. Diaz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Complaint # 2013-MED-LIC-1680 & 2014-MED-LIC-1212 PICKENS, CORY M.D. (00:11:13)

MOTION: (00:18:00) Ms. Erickson moved to accept the Final Order by default. Dr. Guggenheim seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Complaint #2015-MED-LIC-444 HILL-BUSSELLE, DEBRA, M.D. (00:18:28)

MOTION: (00:23:13) Mr. Farmer moved to adopt the order as proposed. Professor Diaz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Complaint #2015-MED-LIC-921 CHRISTENSEN, CHRIS, M.D (00:25:40)

MOTION: (00:34:35) Dr. Guggenheim moved to amend the default order to immediately revoke Dr. Christensen's license versus summarily suspend his license on the basis that this gentleman has had many chances, just within the last 6 months, the Department and Mr. Fanning went through immense efforts to help him have a step by step way back to recovery of practicing medicine. He has not followed through and I do not see any reason for the Department and Board to have to deal with the matter anymore unless he does re-apply for a license. Ms. Bollinger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

b. Proposed Motions of Dismissal

Complaint # 2012-MED-LIC-508 JONES, MICHAEL, M.D. (00:38:31)

Dr. Guggenheim and Ms. Bollinger recused themselves from discussion and vote on this case.

MOTION: (00:40:51) Professor Diaz moved to dismiss this case without prejudice and accept the Final Order. Mr. Farmer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

7. Adjourn

MOTION: (00:41:53) Ms. Erickson moved to adjourn. Professor Diaz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Reviewed 1/15/2016