

SCREENING PANEL MEETING MINUTES
of the
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
301 SOUTH PARK, 4TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
HELENA, MT
7:00 A.M. TO CONCLUSION
MARCH 21, 2014

1. Call To Order – Establish Quorum – Roll Call of Board Members Present

MEMBERS PRESENT – Anna Earl, MD, Chair; James Upchurch, MD; Kristin Spanjian, MD; Bruce Hayward, DO; Tanja Brekke, LA; Nathan Thomas, DPM

MEMBERS ABSENT – None

DPHHS MEMBERS PRESENT – None

DPHHS MEMBERS ABSENT- Shannon McDonald, Esq (for ECP complaints)

STAFF PRESENT – Mike Fanning, Department Counsel; LaVelle Potter, Compliance Specialist

2. Approval and Tentative Modification of Agenda Order

Motion: Dr. Spanjian stated that complaint number 3 has been removed from the agenda, but moved to adopt the agenda as modified. Ms. Brekke seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Review and Approval of February 21, 2014 Minutes

Motion: Dr. Earl pointed out a couple of typos that Ms. Potter had already found and corrected. Dr. Hayward moved for the panel to adopt the minutes as read. Dr. Thomas seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Public Opportunity to Comments

The presiding officer read the statement of public participation. No members of the public were in attendance who wished to comment.

5. Legal Report

- a. Complaint Register**
- b. MPAP report**

6. Panel Action - Tentatively Scheduled for Executive Session

The Presiding Chair determined that the individual(s) under discussion at this meeting have a right to privacy which outweighs the public's right to know. Therefore, the Presiding Chair decided to hold this Screening Panel in closed session. The chair identified 4 complaints that were considered in closed session pursuant to the determination of privacy rights. No complaints were heard in open session.

7. Review of Complaints

8. Adjourn to open session

9. Open Session – Disposition of Complaints

Cases dismissed with prejudice _____
Cases dismissed without prejudice _____ 1 _____
Cases for reasonable cause findings _____
Cases for summary suspension _____

Cases sent for investigation

Cases tabled

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10. Adjourn

Motion: Dr. Hayward moved for the panel to adjourn this meeting. Dr. Spanjian seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.