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The Illinois State Medical Board convened an open session meeting via WebEx at 9:01 a.m. on Wednesday, April 19, 2023. It was not practical or prudent to meet in-person due to the COVID-19 disaster.

The following board members were present for the meeting:

Maria Laporta, M.D., Board Chair
Sreenivas G. Reddy, M.D., Vice Chair
Thomas Boyle, D.O., Member
Donald Diemer, DHSc., PA-C, Member
Mary Huffman, D.C., Member
Mohammed Jameel, M.D., Member
Ratna Kanumury, PA-C, Member
James G. MacKenzie, D.O., Member
Douglas Matzner, D.C., Member
Caroline Moellering, Public Member
Bartlomiej Nierzwicki, M.D., Member
Alicia Leung Rauh, M.D., Member
Dana Ray, M.D., Member

The members present constituted a quorum.

The following Department staff were present for the meeting:

Frank Lamas, J.D., Chief of Medical Prosecutions
Lauren Craig, J.D., Associate General Counsel
Shami Goyal, M.D., Chief Medical Coordinator
Greg Marion, Chief of Medical Investigations
John Zander, M.D., Deputy Medical Coordinator
Robert Mosley, M.D., Deputy Medical Coordinator
Joseph Fojtik, M.D., Deputy Medical Coordinator
Theodore Adams, J.D. Chief of Investigations
Jessica Pantoja, Patient Advocate Liaison
Iris Freeman, Administrative Assistant
Todd Robertson, Board Liaison

OPENING STATEMENT

Dr. Reddy read the following opening statement: This meeting is being conducted by audio / video conference without a quorum of members physically present because the Governor of the State of Illinois has issued a disaster declaration related to public health concerns and an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent based on the disaster described in the declaration. Furthermore, the Secretary of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation has determined pursuant to Section 7

of the Open Meetings Act that an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent because of a disaster. All votes will be conducted by roll call, so that each member's vote on each issue can be identified and recorded.

OPEN MINUTES

A motion was made and seconded (Laporta/Ray) to approve the open session minutes for the Medical Board meeting on April 5, 2023. Roll call vote - Yes: Laporta, Reddy, Boyle, Diemer, Huffman, Kanumury, MacKenzie, Matzner, Nierzwicki, Ray; No: None; Abstain: Jameel, Rauh. The motion passed.

RECOMMENDATIONS made by the Complaint Committee in closed session

Mr. Robertson reported that Complaint Committee made the following recommendations in closed session:

Approve closed minutes from April 5, 2023 Complaint Committee meeting, Close 24 complaints - 7 with a letter of concern, and Refer 15 complaints for prosecution.

A motion was made and seconded (Moellering/Ray) to accept the recommendations made during the closed session meeting. Roll call vote - Yes: Laporta, Reddy, Boyle, Diemer, Huffman, Jameel, Kanumury, MacKenzie, Matzner, Moellering, Nierzwicki, Rauh, Ray; No: None. The motion passed.

RECOMMENDATIONS made by the Medical Board in closed session

Mr. Robertson reported that Medical Board made the following recommendations in closed session:

Approve closed minutes from April 5, 2023 Medical Board meeting, Approve 15 subpoenas, Approve 1 agreement of care, counseling or treatment, Approve 6 consent orders, Approve 4 non-disciplinary orders, and Approve 2 Variances from the provision of 68 Ill. Adm. Code 1285.60 (a)(7) that requires completion of the USMLE examinations within 7 years.

A motion was made and seconded (Reddy/Moellering) to accept the recommendations made during the closed session meeting. Roll call vote - Yes: Laporta, Reddy, Boyle, Diemer, Huffman, Kanumury, MacKenzie, Matzner, Moellering, Nierzwicki, Ray; No: None. The motion passed.

REPORTS

Greg Marion, Chief of Medical Investigations reported that for the period of 4/1/23 to 4/13/23: 42 complaints were received, 7 cases were referred to prosecutions, and 47 cases were closed. Also, as of 4/13/23 there were 530 open investigations with an average caseload of 64 cases per investigator.

Shami Goyal, M.D., Chief Medical Coordinator reported there are 252 cases assigned to the medical coordinators of which 42 are agreements of care, counseling or treatment (CCT). Also, that there are 316 cases being monitored by the probations unit.

Frank Lamas, J.D., Chief of General Prosecutions reported that as of 4/19/23, there are 740 cases open with the medical prosecutions unit of which 12 cases are related to tax liability.

Lauren Craig, J.D., Associate General Counsel reported that the draft of proposed amendments to the Medical Rules are currently under review by the FPR Deputy General Counsel and the Director of the

Division. An update will be provided once that review has completed. Ms. Craig also advised that she would be out-of-town and unavailable to attend the next business meeting on May 3rd. However, another general counsel attorney will be present for the meeting instead.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the Medical Board, a motion was made and seconded (Jameel/Reddy) to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by a voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.