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Minutes of 08/02/2023

Board	Dr. Tilden Sokoloff, Chair	Division	Russ Barron, Executive Officer
Members	Christy Perry	Staff:	Yvonne Dunbar, General Counsel
Present:	Mark Dunlap		Dr. Nicki Chopski, Bureau Chief
	Dr. Steve Mings		Madyson Crea, Board Support Specialist
	Dr. Lynn Hansen	Others	Josh Scholer, Division of Financial
		Present:	Management (DFM)

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 AM by Tilden Sokoloff.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 05/31/2023 minutes. The motion carried.

BOARD BUSINESS

Rulemaking – Draft Rules: Dr. Mings proposed that CPR/BLS certifications be a requirement for licensure and continuing education. The Board discussed this, and the majority decided that requiring CPR/BLS was not necessary as it is already a standard for most healthcare professionals.

A motion was made and seconded to adopt, as proposed, the draft rule chapter of the Board of Naturopathic Health Care, IDAPA 24.40.01. The vote was: Dr. Hansen, aye; Dr. Sokoloff, aye; Mr. Dunlap, aye; Ms. Perry, aye; and Dr. Mings, abstained. The motion carried.

Ms. Dunbar informed the Board that they had received additional comments on draft rules. The comments stated that the Board has statutory authority to make rules concerning discipline, scope of practice, and standards of professional conduct. Ms. Dunbar elaborated that pursuant to I.C. § 54-5904 The board shall have the authority and responsibility to:... (4) Establish, ... any such rules consistent with this chapter as are necessary for the administration of this chapter. Therefore, while the Board has the authority to promulgate additional rules, it is not a requirement for them to do so unless deemed necessary.

Ms. Dunbar outlined the rulemaking process moving forward. The proposed rule chapter will be sent to DFM to proof and publish in the bulletin. Once published on September 6, 2023, there will be a 21 day comment period, and the Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses (DOPL) will hold a public hearing to receive testimony related to the proposed rule chapter.

Mr. Scholer specified that the public may also make comments between now and September 6th. However, the deadline for comments to be made is September 27, 2023.

Public Comment: Public comments were made.

The following members of the public spoke in opposition to the proposed rule chapter: JoAnna Yanez, ND and Executive Director of the AANMC. Rebecca Mitchell, President of the Federation of Naturopathic Medicine Regulatory Authorities and Executive Officer of the California Board of Naturopathic Medicine. Laura Farr, Executive Director of the AANP.

Dr. Salas spoke in support of the proposed rule chapter.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 AM.

The next meeting is on 09/29/2023.