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State Board of Midwifery

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Minutes of 1/13/2023

Board Members Present: Elizabeth Hartman
Megan Kasper MD
Amy B Redman
Charity Catlin

Division Staff: Russell Barron, DOPL Administrator
Anne Lawler, Bureau Chief
Nick Krema, General Counsel
Skip Liddle, Investigative Supervisor
Cesley Metcalfe, Board Support Program Manager
Emily Rough, Board Support Specialist

Board Members Absent: Valerie J Hall

Others Present: Eric Nelson, Board Prosecutor

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM by Dr. Megan Kasper.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 10/28/2023 minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

DIVISION BUSINESS

2023 Legislative Update: Ms. Lawler informed the Board that the legislative session has begun. The Division will track the session and let the Board know what is relevant to this profession.

DOPL Strategic Plan: Ms. Lawler explained the three main goals of DOPL's strategic plan: lead through transparency and exceptional customer service, public protection through consistent enforcement, and make recognizable and measurable reform through permissionless innovation.

Financial Update: Ms. Lawler presented the financial report which showed a balance of (\$102,632.73) as of October 19, 2022.

Board Member Survey: The Division will begin providing an anonymous survey to each Board member seeking feedback on how to better serve the Board.

BOARD BUSINESS

2024 Statute Sunset: The Division informed the Board that the statute is due to sunset in 2024 and every five years after. The Division will submit the required paperwork to the Governor's Office this year to request reauthorization of the statute.

Continuing Education for Discipline: The Board discussed the need to designate a Board member to review the relevance of continuing education courses selected by licensees to fulfill discipline requirements. A motion was made and seconded to designate Ms. Hartman to review continuing education courses selected for discipline compliance. The motion carried unanimously.

2021 Birth Rate Data Report: The Board reviewed a report regarding 2021 birth rate statistics for licensed Idaho midwives.

Licensing Report: Ms. Lawler presented a report on applications received and licenses issued and renewed by staff since the last meeting.

Public Comment: Ms. Rawlings, Idaho Midwifery Council, let the Board know that the Association has ideas for the Board's statute that it would like to share.

Executive Session

A motion was made and seconded to enter executive session under Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(d) to consider records that are exempt from disclosure under the Idaho Public Records Law, Idaho Code § 74-106(9). The purpose of the executive session was to discuss documents relating to the fitness of a licensee to retain a license or registration. The vote was: Dr. Kasper, aye; Ms. Hartman, aye; Ms. Catlin, aye; and Ms. Redman, aye. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to exit executive session. The motion carried unanimously. No decisions were made in executive session.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:46 PM MT.

The next meeting is on 04/14/2023.