



State of Idaho

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Board Meeting Minutes of 4/19/2024

Board	Elizabeth Hartman - Chair	Division	John Price, Executive Officer
Members	Charity Catlin	Staff:	Nicki Chopski, Health Professions Bureau Chief
Present:	Megan Kasper M.D.		Greg Loos, General Counsel
	Amy B Redman		Skip Liddle, Investigations Unit Manager
	Valerie J Hall		Steve Hogue, Investigations Supervisor
			Allegra Earl, Licensing Specialist
			Madyson Crea, Board Support Specialist

Others Eric Nelson, Board Prosecutor
Present:

The meeting was called to order at 9:34 AM by Elizabeth Hartman.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 01/12/2024 minutes. The motion carried.

Public Comment: Barbara Rawlings thanked everyone involved in moving the profession forward.

Katy Rawlins requested the Board provide guidance on referring tongue-tied infants to other health care professionals.

DIVISION BUSINESS

2024 Legislative Session Overview: Dr. Chopski reviewed H0437 Midwifery which has passed. The Governor will be appointing all of the Board members on this new Board and anyone interested should submit an application. Additionally, the Division Administrator will be appointing a Midwifery Advisory Committee, and anyone interested should submit a letter of interest and CV to the Division. H0505 Licensure Renewals will change licensure renewal for all boards from annual to biennial. The Division has until 2028 to complete this transition.

Dr. Chopski briefly informed the Board of the following nonagency legislation: S1429 Occupational Licensing, H0417 State Agencies Cash Payment, H0705 Occupational Licensing Reform, H0399 Maternal Mortality, H0518 Medicaid Fraud Unit, S1234 Contraception, S1247 Crisis Response Holds and S1272 Safehaven Act.

Public Board Member Training: Mr. Loos presented information on the importance of Public Members on regulatory Boards.

Open Meeting Law Training: Mr. Loos presented information on open meeting law requirements.

Financial Update: The Board reviewed the 2024 fiscal year quarter one, two, and three financial reports. Mr. Price informed the Board their balance has not significantly changed since last quarter and addressed questions.

BOARD BUSINESS

2022 Birth Statistics: Ms. Earl presented the 2022 Birth Statistics report. No concerns or questions were raised.

Board Transition Discussion: Mr. Price informed the Board that they will receive information on how to apply for the new combined Board.

Licensing Report: Ms. Earl presented the Licensing report and stated that the Board currently has 83 licensees and three new licenses were issued in 2024.

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 obtain or retain a license or registration. The vote was: Ms. Catlin, aye; Dr. Kasper, aye; Ms. Hartman, aye; and Ms. Hall, 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.

Discipline

A motion was made and seconded to close case number I-MID-2024-2 with an advisory letter. The motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM.