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Board Meeting Minutes of 03/04/2024

Board Members	Jared Walker, O.D. - Chair	Division	Jan Arrasmith, Executive Officer
Present:	Jared Birch, O.D.	Staff:	Nicki Chopski, Bureau Chief
	Shawn Sorenson O.D.		Russell Spencer, General Counsel
	Terri L Haley, O.D.		Susan Villanueva, Board Support Specialist
	Joshua Sears, Public Member		Mike Celeste, Investigations Supervisor
			Keith Aamodt, Investigator

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 AM by Dr. Haley.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 12/24/2023 minutes. The motion carried.

DIVISION BUSINESS

Legislative Update: Ms. Arrasmith gave the legislative update for the 2024 Legislative session. A report was given on the progression of the Division's proposed bills and non-agency bills introduced that may affect the board.

Financial Update and Five-Year Projections: The Board reviewed quarter two of the financial report. Ms. Arrasmith reviewed the five-year financial projection with the Board and addressed the Board's questions.

Board Training – Just Culture: Dr. Chopski presented information on Just Culture. This algorithm is a tool that facilitates consideration of the quality of the decision-making process instead of the outcome when determining disciplinary actions to take.

BOARD BUSINESS

CE Extension Request: A motion was made and seconded to grant a waiver on the basis of hardship for the requested yearly Continuing Education (CE) requirements. The motion carried.

Conference Report: The Board discussed attendance at upcoming conferences. A motion was made and seconded to support upcoming board travel as presented. The motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made and seconded to enter Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(d) to consider records related to a licensee's ability to obtain or retain a license, which are

exempt from public disclosure, Idaho Code § 74-106(9). The vote was: Dr. Sorenson, aye; Dr. Walker, aye; Dr. Birch, aye; Dr. Haley; Mr. Sears, aye. The motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded to exit Executive Session. The motion carried.

Discipline:

A motion was made and seconded to close with a letter of concern for case number I-OPT-2024-01. The motion carried.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:39 AM.

The next meeting is 06/10/2024.