



State of Idaho
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Board of Naturopathic Health Care

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Minutes of 04/10/2024

Board Members	Dr. Tilden Sokoloff, Chair	Division	Dr. Nicki Chopski, Executive Officer
Present:	Dr. Steve Mings	Staff:	Russ Barron, Division Administrator
	Christy Perry		Russell Spencer, General Counsel
	Mark Dunlap		Stephanie Lotridge, Licensing Program Manager
	Dr. Lynn Hansen		Madyson Crea, Board Support Specialist

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 AM by Tilden Sokoloff.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 09/29/2023 minutes. The motion carried.

DIVISION BUSINESS

Financial Update: The Board reviewed the quarter one and two financial report and staff addressed questions.

Legislative Update: Dr. Chopski reviewed the following legislation:

H0505 Licensure Renewal: The purpose of this legislation is to update all licensure renewals under the Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses to a biennial renewal cycle, with an expiration date at the licensee's birth date. This will allow for consistency in renewal cycles throughout the Division

H0705 Occupational Licensing Reform: This bill continues Idaho's work towards occupational licensure reform. The vast majority of licenses require licensees to take certain continuing education credits in order to renew their license. This legislation reforms, overhauls, and streamlines continuing education requirements, and directs licensing authorities to review their administrative rules to eliminate or modify any continuing education provisions that would conflict with the changes in this bill.

H0632 Voluntary Naturopathic Doctor Licensure: This legislation makes changes to the voluntary naturopathic doctor dual licensure statute. It clarifies the post-doctorate training required to obtain voluntary licensure and prevents policy overlap with other naturopathic licensure statutes. The legislation requires that an individual must enroll in and complete a naturopathic doctor curriculum of at least 160 hours from an accredited institution as well as show proof that an applicant has practiced naturopathic medicine in Idaho for a number of years. This legislation does not change the underlying doctorate licensure requirement or the requirement that the underlying license must remain active and in good standing.

HCR039 Rule Approval: The House and Senate Health and Welfare Committees reviewed pending rules for both the Department of Health and Welfare and the Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses. The Rules of the Board of Naturopathic Health were approved.

Board Training – Open Meeting Law: Mr. Spencer presented information on open meeting law requirements.

BOARD BUSINESS

Application Review: The Board reviewed the draft application, and a motion was made and seconded to approve the draft application. The motion carried.

Delegated Authority: Following review of the draft delegated authority document a motion was made and seconded to authorize Board staff delegated authority as presented. The motion carried.

Appointments to the Formulary Committee: The Board reviewed and discussed letters of interest and CVs from interested applicants, the following committee members were appointed:

A motion was made and seconded to appoint Laurence Hicks, DO, and Joshua Morris, MD, to serve a three-year term on the Naturopathic Health Care Formulary Committee. The motion carried.

The following appointments were made contingent on the applicants meeting all statutory requirements: A motion was made and seconded to appoint Kellye Schab, PharmD, to serve a two-year term on the Naturopathic Health Care Formulary Committee. The motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded to appoint Kurt Bailey, NP, DC, to serve a three-year term on the Naturopathic Health Care Formulary Committee. The motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded to appoint Tilden Sokoloff, DC, to serve a two-year term on the Naturopathic Health Care Formulary Committee. The motion carried.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM.

The next meeting is on 08/07/2024.