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Board Minutes of 02/26/2026

Board Members Present: Guillermo Guzman, MD –Chair
Christian Zimmerman, MD
Thomas Neal, MD
Jared Morton, MD
Joshua Durham, DO
Amy Cooper, MD
Sarah Curtin, MD
Col. William Gardiner, ISP Director
Jodi Vanderpool, Public Member

Division Staff: Nicki Chopski, Executive Officer
Janice Beller, General Counsel
Orin Duffin, Health Professions Program Director
Mike Celeste, Investigations Supervisor
Candace Villarreal, Board Support Specialist

Others Present: Joan Callahan, Board Prosecutor

Board Members Absent: Michele Chadwick, Public Member
Nathan Thompson, PA

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM by Guillermo Guzman, MD.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 11/13/2025 minutes. The motion carried.

DIVISION BUSINESS

Board Training-Respectful Workplace: The Board watched a video presentation from the Idaho Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses.

Two (2) Year Renewal Transition Plan: Dr. Chopski outlined the upcoming transition for the current two-year license renewal process, which will now be determined by the licensee's date of birth and birth year. She explained that the renewal cycle for current licenses will depend on whether the individual's birth year is an even or odd year, and that renewal fees will be adjusted as necessary. This change aims to ensure a steady revenue stream throughout the year and distribute staffing responsibilities more evenly. After her presentation, she responded to questions from Board members.

Financial Update: Dr. Chopski presented the financial report for the second quarter of fiscal year 2026 and encouraged questions from the Board members. The Board directed staff to break out the expenses of the MMRC on the financial report.

Legislative Update: Dr. Chopski provided a brief update on the 2026 legislative session. She reviewed the legislative tracker, which includes Rules, Executive Agency Legislation (EAL), legislation specifically impacting the Division, and other current bills. The overview covered HB-777 (Idaho Controlled Substance Act), HB-495, which proposes consolidation of Dentistry with the Board of Dentistry, HB-787, which proposes consolidation of Podiatry with the Board of Medicine, and HB-703, regarding universal discipline procedures. She also discussed other relevant legislation affecting

DOPL. Following her presentation, she opened the floor for questions and comments from Board members.

BOARD BUSINESS

MMRC Report: Orin Duffin, Executive Officer of the Maternal Mortality Review Committee (MMRC), presented the MMRC reports for 2022 and 2024, which were submitted to the legislature in accordance with Idaho Code §54-1806(12). The Board reviewed the reports, and Mr. Duffin addressed questions.

IACLI Committee Report: Mr. Duffin reviewed the meeting objectives and the progress related to the Interprofessional Advisory Committee on Lifestyle Injectables. The draft minutes from the most recent meeting held on November 21, 2025, were distributed for review to the Board. Additionally, appointed Committee members in attendance offered brief insights.

Fee Review and Setting: Dr. Chopski briefed the Board on the reinstatement fees regarding Osteopathic Physician and Surgeon and Physician and Surgeon licenses, in accordance with Idaho Code § 67-2614(9). Following the briefing, a motion was made and seconded to reduce the current reinstatement fee to \$35.00. The motion carried.

Committee Appointments: The Board reviewed applications for appointment of a physician assistant member to the Physician Assistant Advisory Committee. Following discussion, a motion was made and seconded to appoint Karen Barrett, MS, PA-C to the open position. The motion carried.

Resources for Review: The Board reviewed the current Board of Medicine CE course options document. No action was taken.

Conference Attendance and Updates: 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)(f) to discuss pending litigation with legal counsel and Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(d) to consider records related to a licensee's ability to retain a license, which is exempt from public disclosure. The vote was: Dr. Zimmerman, aye; Dr. Neal, aye; Dr. Morton, aye; Dr. Durham, aye; Dr. Cooper, aye; Dr. Curtin, aye; Col. Gardiner, aye; Ms. Vanderpool, aye; and Dr. Guzman, aye. The motion carried.

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

Recusals:

Dr. Guzman recused himself from case number: 1925111.

Committee on Professional Discipline Recommendations (COPD):

A motion was made and seconded that the Board of Medicine accept the recommendations and close case numbers: 1787470; 1792765; 1807287; 1829815; 1847275; 1853039; 1854926; 1874555; 1878216; 1883834; 1895224; and 1917102. The motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded that the Board of Medicine close with a letter of concern case number: 1854202. The motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded that the Board of Medicine accept the recommendations and close with a letter of concern case numbers: 1842918;1874641; and 1906866. The motion carried.

Physician Assistant Advisory Committee Recommendations (PAAC):

A motion was made and seconded that the Board of Medicine accept the recommendation and close case numbers: 1792317; and 1899449. The motion carried.

Updates and Modification Requests:

A motion was made and seconded that the Board of Medicine close with a letter of concern case number: 1198866. The motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded that the Board of Medicine enter an amended Stipulation and Order with the terms discussed regarding case number: 1925111. The motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded that the Board of Medicine enter a Stipulation and Order with the terms discussed regarding case number: 1381814. The motion carried.

Additionally:

A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Board Prosecutor to file an Administrative Complaint should any negotiations expire or be rejected. The motion carried.

APPLICATIONS:

A motion was made and seconded to deny application number: 1522405. The motion carried.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 PM.

The next meeting will be held on 5/21/2026.