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Board Minutes of 08/27/2026

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 Nathan Thompson, PA Jodi Vanderpool, Public Member Michele Chadwick, Public Member	Division Staff Present:	Nicki Chopski, Executive Officer Orin Duffin, Health Professions Program Director Kolby Reddish, Deputy Administrator, Chief Legal Counsel Gabriel Arroyo, General Counsel John Price, Investigations Bureau Chief Skip Liddle, Investigations Program Manager Mike Celeste, Investigations Supervisor Candace Villarreal, Board Support Specialist
		Others Present:	Reid Peterson, Board Prosecutor John R. Goodell, Pre-Litigation Attorney, Goodell Law PLLC James Craig, Chief of Civil Litigation and Constitutional Defense, Idaho Office of the Attorney General

The meeting was called to order at 8:32 AM by Guillermo Guzman, MD.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 05/21/2026 minutes. The motion carried.

DIVISION BUSINESS

Board Training-Public Member: Mr. Arroyo presented information regarding the role of public members on state licensing boards.

Board Training-Universal Discipline: Mr. Arroyo presented information regarding Universal Discipline Idaho Code section 67-2616.

Financial Update: Dr. Chopski presented the financial report for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2026 and encouraged questions from the Board members.

BOARD BUSINESS

Discipline Transparency Discussion: Dr. Guzman discussed transparency in discipline emphasizing that attaining a defined range of punitive actions will benefit the Board and licensees by promoting consistency, minimizing potential for discrimination, establishing clear categories, and providing a better

understanding of precedents and procedural guidelines for informed decision-making. He also stated that with a decisive transparency initiative, the Board's charter to protect the public will be enhanced. Dr. Chopski discussed the FSMB panel review of this topic during the spring meeting and noted that Ohio, Oregon, North Dakota, and Arizona shared information regarding their respective initiatives to enhance transparency in disciplinary decisions. Additionally, Dr. Guzman mentioned previous efforts in Texas and updated that Board members, stakeholders and staff have made progress on a draft policy aligned with the Idaho Medical Practice Act and Rules. The final draft is scheduled for presentation at an upcoming meeting.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) Discussion: Dr. Guzman initiated the discussion by emphasizing that AI will have a direct impact on licensees, the public, and regulatory Boards. He highlighted the importance of careful fiduciary evaluation in shaping the future of this complex subject, with the primary goal of safeguarding public interests and protection. He then introduced Mr. Reddish, who provided an overview of an upcoming Model Legislative Act (MLA), currently referred to as the "Clinical AI Services Act." He stated that it is anticipated that the legislation will be introduced during the 2028 legislative session, with the possibility of consideration as early as 2027. Mr. Reddish noted that stakeholders have provided feedback to the bill sponsors, and this input includes the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing (DOPL) and Board of Medicine (BOM) administration and oversight of the procedures related to AI licensure and regulation. Future discussions will focus on ensuring public protection, including provisions such as testing periods for AI facilities to determine alignment with Scope of Practice standards and other related requirements.

Rule 24.33.01.200.04.iv.2. Supervision Authorization Request: The Board reviewed a request for a waiver which would allow current physician supervisors in a specific business to oversee an additional three (3) supervisees for a total of six (6) supervisees. Following discussion, the request was tabled pending receipt of additional information.

Pre-Litigation Policy Approval: Dr. Guzman provided an overview of the proposed updates and funding details. He then requested Mr. Arroyo to briefly review the provided statistics, including budgets, stipends based on work completed, and other related financial considerations. Mr. Goodell presented an overview of Pre-Litigation Panel procedures and clarified that statutes mandate a pre-litigation review prior to filing malpractice lawsuits. He explained that the purpose is to discourage frivolous claims, encourage case mediation, and facilitate settlement discussions. He also briefly outlined a typical panel structure, which generally includes one (1) physician member with relevant experience, one (1) hospital administrator, if a hospital is included in a claim, and one (1) public member, all overseen by a legal counsel serving as panel Chair. Following discussion, a motion was made and seconded to approve the pre-litigation payment policy of \$3000.00 per case heard for the attorney chair and \$100.00 for lay members. The motion carried.

Committee Appointments: The Board reviewed applications for the appointment of a naturopathic medical doctor and for the reappointment of an existing respiratory therapist (RT) member to the Allied Health Advisory Board (AHAB). Following discussion, a motion was made and seconded to appoint Dr. Nicole Maxwell, NMD, and to reappoint Mr. Tim Seward, RT, to AHAB. The motion carried.

Conference Attendance and Updates: The Board discussed participation in upcoming conferences. A motion was made and seconded to support upcoming travel as presented. The motion carried.

Public Comment: Dr. Guzman opened the floor for public comment. No public comment was offered.

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; Mr. Thompson, aye; Ms. Vanderpool, aye; Ms. Chadwick, aye; and Dr. Guzman, aye. The motion carried.

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

DISCIPLINE

Committee on Professional Discipline Recommendations (COPD):

A motion was made and seconded that the Board of Medicine accept the recommendations and close case numbers: 1910013; 1955580; 1974221; 1978071; 1985224; 1993450; 1994590; 1996402; 1999016; 2006517; 2006518; 2007632; 2010393; 2022939; and 2025411. The motion carried.

Dr. Guzman recused himself from case number: 2022696.

A motion was made and seconded that the Board of Medicine accept the recommendations and close with a letter of concern case numbers: 1969627; 1993451; and 2022696. The motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded that the Board of Medicine close with a letter of concern case numbers: 1624009; 1957149; and 2058353. The motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded that the Board of Medicine accept the recommendation and enter into an Agreement in Lieu of Discipline regarding case numbers: 1980482; and 2053338. The motion carried.

Additionally:

A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Executive Officer to sign Agreements in Lieu of Discipline on behalf of the Board. The motion carried.

Order:

A motion was made and seconded that the Board of Medicine accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and authorize the Board Chair to sign on behalf of the Board regarding order number: 2080165. The motion carried.

Reconsideration Request:

A motion was made and seconded to deny the request with the terms discussed in case number: 1985303. The motion carried.

Termination Request:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the request with the terms discussed in case number: 1198866. The motion carried.

Applications:

A motion was made and seconded to approve application number: 1934345. The motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded to deny application number: 1995747. The motion carried.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.

The next meeting will be held on 11/19/2026.