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Board Meeting Minutes of 10/09/2026

Board Members Present:	William Higgins, D.C. - Chair George Fiegel, D.C. Dennis Baughman Joseph Betz, D.C. Howard Arrington, D.C.	**Division Staff:**	Cesley Metcalfe, Executive Officer Greg Loos, General Counsel Skip Liddle, Investigative Unit Manager Allegra Earl, Licensing Unit Manager Christian Runnalls, Board Support Specialist
		Others Present:	Reid Peterson, Board Prosecutor

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM MT by the acting Chair, Howard Arrington, D.C.

Approval of 06/12/2026 Minutes:
A motion was made and seconded to approve the June 12, 2026, minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT
Michael Guinosso, Chiropractic Freedom Coalition, expressed concerns regarding the merger between the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE) and the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards (FCLB). He requested that the Board respond on the record with information on when the Board discussed who would attend the FCLB Annual Meeting, how the delegate would vote on the matter, and what the actual vote was.

Ana Chaves, Idaho Chiropractic Freedom Coalition, requested from the Board a formal delegate report, that it seek an opinion from the Idaho Attorney General (AG) regarding the NBCE and FCLB merger, and that all records on the matter be retained.

Mr. Loos requested from both individuals that a written request be submitted for the requested information and that Ms. Chaves contact the Idaho Attorney General's Office to obtain the opinion, as neither the Board nor DOPL has direct communication with the Idaho AG.

DIVISION BUSINESS
2026 Public Member Training: Mr. Loos presented training to the Board on the role and importance of Public Members appointed to regulatory boards.

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Universal Discipline Training: Mr. Loos provided an overview of House Bill 703, codified in Idaho Code Section 67-2616 (Universal Discipline), which became effective on July 1, 2026, including the disciplinary enforcement tools available under the statute.

State Travel Policy Update: Ms. Metcalfe presented a summary of changes to the updated Idaho State Travel Policy, which took effect on July 1, 2026.

Financial Update: Ms. Metcalfe presented the Board's financial report for the third quarter of FY2026.

BOARD BUSINESS

Delegated Authority Review: Ms. Metcalfe reviewed the delegated authority the Board has granted to Division staff and individual Board members.

A motion was made and seconded to affirm the delegated authority items with updates as discussed. The motion carried unanimously

Board Elections: A motion was made and seconded to elect Dr. Arrington as the Board Chair. The motion carried unanimously.

Conference Updates: Ms. Metcalfe provided a report on the FCLB District Meeting, sharing information on topics such as the Council on Chiropractic Education accreditation, feedback on the Part IV Exam changes, and the PACE course approval program. She also noted a discussion on H.R. 539, the Chiropractic Medicare Coverage Modernization Act of 2025.

Licensing Report: Ms. Earl presented the licensing report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made and seconded to enter executive session under Idaho Code Section 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 retain a license or registration. The vote was: Dr, Higgins, aye; Dr. Fiegel, aye; Dennis Baughman, aye; Dr. Betz, aye; and Dr. Arrington, aye. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to exit executive session. The motion carried unanimously.

Discipline

A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Prosecuting Attorney to enforce the current Stipulation and Consent Order with the terms discussed in executive session for case number 2060251, to authorize the Board chair to sign on behalf of the Board, and if necessary, to file an administrative complaint. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:21 AM.

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The next meeting is on January 29, 2027.

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