

GUAM BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
 Department of Public Health and Social Services
 Health Professional Licensing/EMS
Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:00 P.M.
VIRTUAL – REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Dr. Nathaniel Berg, Chairperson
- Mr. Philip Flores, Vice Chairperson & Public Member
- Dr. Annie Bordallo, Member
- Dr. Arania Adolphson, Member
- Dr. Annette David, Member
- Dr. Scott R. Shay, Member
- Dr. Luis Cruz, Member

OTHERS PRESENT:

- Robert Weinberg, Assistant Attorney General
- Zennia Pecina, HPLO Administrator
- Myrna Leon Guerrero
- Ciana Galindo, HPLO Board Secretary
- Natasha Charfauros, Sen. Therese Terlaje representative
- Jim Mansfield, Public
- Jerick Sablan, Public – Pacific Daily News
- Chantay Benitez, FLAME TREE Freedom Center
- Eddy Reyes, FLAME TREE Freedom Center
- Dawn Reyes, FLAME TREE Freedom Center

TOPIC	DECISION(S) / ACTION(S) MADE	RESPONSIBLE PARTY	REPORTING TIMEFRAME	STATUS
I. CALL TO ORDER	<p>CALLED TO ORDER: 4:10 PM by Vice-Chairman. NOTE: Upon arrival, Dr. Berg assumed the his role as Chairman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Roll Call b. Confirmation of Public Notice AG & DOA'S website 	CHAIR		Confirmed
II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA	Adoption of Agenda	GBME		Adopted
III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES	<p>Approved minutes as amended dated November 18, 2020 (Reconvene)</p> <p>Motion: Dr. Adolphson; 2nd. Dr. Berg</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Approved amendment, proposed by Dr. David to delete "however will have more time to decide" - Agreed with the V-Chairman's suggestion to set up a virtual meeting with HPLO Admin, GBME Attorney Weinberg, Allied Health, Nursing, and GBME to 	GBME		Approved
IV. TREASURER REPORT		Phillip Flores, Vice Chairperson &		Noted

		<p>discuss a consolidated approach in helping HPLO Boards address their budget needs to better facilitate the process and standardizing budget requests to help meet their mandates.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Task Cianna Galindo to establish and coordinate meeting date with the HPLO Administrator - Deferred, no significant issues to report - Noted, GBME website, guamlicensing.com, is down and the HPLO Administrator is working on a funding request to get it operational 	Public Member		Noted
V.	<p>HPLO ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Deferred, no significant issues to report - Noted, GBME website, guamlicensing.com, is down and the HPLO Administrator is working on a funding request to get it operational 	HPLO Admin		Noted
VI.	<p>CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT</p>	<p><u>TABLED:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Frances Lagattuta – (Citation Order received 10.30.20 – Sacramento, CA) - Noted, Citation for “simple failure to comply with records/document appropriately” in 2013. <p><u>NEW BUSINESS:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Emergency Licenses Issued – 13 - Noted, Chairman and HPLO Administrator reviewed and approved all 13 licenses <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Oleg Odin - GRMC <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Noted, Dr. David also reviewed and found no issues b. Jonathan Kim – GRMC c. Darren J. Sommer – GMH (Pending start date) d. Richard H. Woemdle – GMH (Pending start date) e. Lisa K. Carney – GRMC f. Junsung Rho – GRC (Pending start date) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Noted, V-Chairman also reviewed g. Brenda Jacobson – GMH <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Noted, Dr. David also reviewed ii. Ranked below average to work with other hospital staff, however, no 	Chairman		Tabled Approved

			<p>board action taken to be a significant concern</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> h. Syed Ahmed – GMH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Dr. Berg to pass it on to Dr. Cruz and Dr. Shay to review ii. Noted, had one lawsuit where he was named in a group, otherwise, he has a very clean record i. Kelly Gray – GRMC j. Nicholas Norton – SDA (<i>Limited Temporary Emergency License</i>) k. Koji S. Iizuka – SDA l. Denise Taitano-Ritter – AMC (<i>Limited Temporary Emergency License</i>) m. Rachel A. Lange – Guam Medical Examiners Office <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted, Dr. Bordallo inquired how to better facilitate and assist in the review of all the documents and noted that the Chairman would find a way to securely share information with the GBME - Noted, Dr. Adolphson inquired about the authorization to allow processing of emergency licenses to be quickly processed between GBME meetings without full review, and the Chairman provided clarification that, as long as there is a declared public state of emergency, this process could be used until we return to a normal state. - Noted, in reference to complaints, agreed with Dr. Bordallo’s suggestion to create a workflow process chart to ensure all future complaints before the GBME follow a standardized review process, which will be worked with the assistance of GBME Attorney Weinberg to ensure the GBME
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VII. OLD BUSINESS		GBME		Tabled
	<p>1. GBME-CO-20-02 – Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted, Chairman will forward case to GBME Attorney Weinberg for review - Noted, Dr. Adolphson recalled that she has yet to receive a signed medical consent from the patient, and Attorney Hemlani still has the physical file. Noted that the Chairman would be working to close this item this week 	GBME		Tabled
	<p>2. GBME-CO-19-010 – On-going</p>	GBME		Tabled
	<p>3. GBME-CO-20-04 – On-going</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted, no ability for anyone on island to review, need to hire an off-island specialist 	GBME		Tabled
	<p>4. GBME-CO-20-05 – On-going</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted, need to hire an off-island specialist 	GBME		Tabled
	<p>5. GBME-CO-20-06 – On-going</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted, need to hire an off-island specialist 	GBME		Tabled
	<p>6. GBME-CO-20-07 – On-going</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted, need to hire an off-island specialist 	GBME		Tabled
	<p>7. GBME-CO-20-08 – On-going</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted, Dr. David notes the non-response as a response in itself and seeks pressure for response <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted, GBME Attorney Weinberg will send a letter to demand a response for HPLO to serve. Noted the Chairman will inform the applicant beforehand that a letter will be forthcoming. - Noted, for penalty, GBME Attorney Weingerg agreed with Dr. Bordallo's suggestion to create a matrix of offenses to spell-out the action that could be taken for each offense. - Assigned Dr. Annette to this case 	GBME		Tabled

VIII.	NEW BUSINESS	<p>1. GBME-AP-2020-001</p> <p>2. GBME-CO-20-001</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noted, Chairman and GBME Attorney Weinberg declined to license. Person had license revoked twice in New York. - Noted, Dr. Annette reviewed as well and agreed - Noted, Board needs to review the appeal <p>3. FULL LICENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Charmaine R. Gregory – GRMC b. Oleg Odin – GRMC c. Brenda Jacobson – GMH d. Satish S. Joshi e. Barbara A. Hum – GRC f. Azita Mesbah – Pacific Medical Group - Noted, Chairman and Dr. Annette reviewed and approved all licenses <p>4. LIMITED LICENSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> g. Joshua Smit – SDA h. Denise Taitano-Ritter - AMC - Noted, Chariman reviewed and approved both licenses <p>5. IMLC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Michael J. Mandzuik – Family Medicine – Washington j. Mark Mitchell – Emergency Medicine – Mississippi k. Megan Sturdy – Internal Medicine – Colorado l. Natalia I. Dipaola – Family Medicine – Michigan m. Adam R. Sasso – Family Medicine – Virginia - Noted, Chairman reviewed and approved all licenses 			Noted
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IX.	OTHER BUSINESS	<p>Next regular scheduled meeting – Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at 4:00PM in the HPLO Board, Suite 213, Terlaje Professional Bldg. Hagatna, GU.</p>			Noted

ADJOURNMENT: 6:36PM Motion: Dr. David 2nd: Mr. Flores			

Reviewed by:

Secretary / Date

Approved by:

Chairperson / Date

 4/7/2021

Minutes by: Chantay Benitez, FLAME TREE Freedom Center, Inc.