

North Dakota Board of Podiatric Medicine
Special Board Meeting
May 10, 2020

Board Members Present: Ashley Evanoff, DPM, Andrew Knudsen, DPM, Aaron Albers, DPM, Eric Hart, DPM, Gordon Leingang, DO, Joshua Jeffers
Others Present: Stacy Moldenhauer, attorney and JoDee S. Wiedmeier, Executive Director

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. CDT.

Roll call was taken. Present were Ashley Evanoff, DPM, Gordon Leingang, DO, Andrew Knudsen, DPM, Aaron Albers, DPM, Joshua Jeffers, Stacey Moldenhauer and JoDee Wiedmeier. A quorum was found and the meeting proceeded.

Ms. Wiedmeier gave brief overview of the board's response to Covid-19. No further action by the board was deemed necessary at this time.

Dr. Hart joined the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Ms. Wiedmeier reviewed the summary of information and procedure regarding conflict of interest with issues during board meetings. No questions were had regarding this information.

The board proceeded to discuss the matters of CME approval requests. Dr. Harris initially submitted 22 CME hours for approval with four of those hours being administratively denied. Discussion was to determine if these hours were scientific in nature and related directly to the practice of podiatry. Dr. Hart moved to approve the four credit hours of CME submitted by Dr. Harris for 2019. Dr. Leingang seconded the motion. No further discussion was had. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Those in favor: Dr. Evanoff, Dr. Knudsen, Dr. Albers, Dr. Hart, Dr. Leingang, Mr. Jeffers. Those opposed: none.

Discussion was had regarding the CME submitted for 2019 by Dr. Fanous. Discussion was had to determine if the CME hours were scientific in nature and directly related to the practice of podiatric medicine. Dr. Hart moved to approve 2.5 of the credit hours submitted and to require fulfillment of the required remaining credits to be completed by Dr. Fanous. Dr. Knudsen seconded. No further discussion was had. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Those in favor: Dr. Evanoff, Dr. Knudsen, Dr. Albers, Dr. Hart, Dr. Leingang, Mr. Jeffers. Those opposed: none.

Dr. Hart submitted one CME credit hour on the topic of infectious disease pre-approval by the board. It was noted that there were other podiatrists at this CME as well. Dr. Leingang moved to approve this CME for the 2020 renewal year for all podiatrists in attendance. Dr. Albers' seconded the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote. Those in favor: Dr. Evanoff, Dr. Knudsen, Dr. Albers, Dr. Leingang, Mr. Jeffers. Those opposed: none. Dr. Hart abstained from the vote.

The renewal card disclosures submitted by Dr. Domaas were reviewed. No further action was taken.

The proposed administrative rules amendments that had been previously reviewed by the board were presented. Ms. Wiedmeier reported that proper notice had been published and e-mailed to all licensed podiatrists and interested parties, the public hearing had been held on April 21, 2020 with no one in attendance, the comment period had expired on May 6, 2020 and no oral or written comments were received. Dr. Hart moved that the proposed administrative rules be approved with no change contingent upon approval as to their legality by the Attorney General's office. Dr. Knudsen seconded. No further discussion was had. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Those in favor: Dr. Evanoff, Dr. Knudsen, Dr. Albers, Dr. Hart, Dr. Leingang, Mr. Jeffers. Those opposed: none.

Dr. Leingang made a motion to enter into Executive Session in order to discuss current complaints filed against podiatrists that contain confidential patient data and to further consult with the board's attorney in such matters. Mr. Jeffers seconded. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Those in favor: Dr. Evanoff, Dr. Knudsen, Dr. Albers, Dr. Hart, Dr. Leingang, Mr. Jeffers. Those opposed: none. The board entered Executive Session at 7:35 p.m. CDT.

The executive session concluded at 8:09 p.m. CDT. It was noted that one complaint was reviewed by the board during the executive session. The complaint was found by the board to warrant no further action and was dismissed.

Mr. Jeffers moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Leingang seconded. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Those in favor: Dr. Evanoff, Dr. Knudsen, Dr. Albers, Dr. Hart, Dr. Leingang, Mr. Jeffers. Those opposed: none. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. CDT.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrew Knudsen, DPM
Secretary/Treasurer

Attest:



Ashley Evanoff, DPM
President

