

The Georgia Board of Chiropractic Examiners met via teleconference on March 17, 2005 at the Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Room 300, Macon, Georgia for the purpose of conducting business.

Members Present:

- David A. Wren, D.C., President.
- Karen Mathiak, D.C.
- J. Craig Patterson, D.C.
- Patrick Sallarulo, D.C.
- James Anchors, D.C., Vice President.

Others Present:

Tachunta Thomas, Asst. Division Director, Jacqueline A. Hightower, Executive Director and Yvonne LeSane, Board Secretary

President Wren established that a quorum was present, and called the Meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Senate Bill 184:

The Board reviewed and discussed correspondence presented on its behalf to Senator Don R. Thomas and the Georgia State Board of Physical Therapy.

Dr. Mathiak moved and Dr. Sallarulo seconded and the Board voted to approve the correspondence to Senator Don R. Thomas giving its full support to SB184.

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House Bill 266:

Dr. Mathiak provided an update on HB266.

Dr. Mathiak made a motion to send a letter of support for HB266. Dr. Patterson seconded the motion and it was approved by the Board.

The Board directed staff to email the letter of support to Senator Don Balfour and disseminate to all members of the Senate Rules Committee.

Dr. Wren, President, also requested the Chiropractic Board members to send individual emails of support.

Senate Bill 174:

Dr. Mathiak made a motion to send a letter to the House Insurance Committee opposing SB174. Dr. Patterson seconded the motion and it was approved by the Board.

The Board directed staff to forward the letter of opposition for dissemination to the appropriate representatives on this committee.

Dr. Anchors moved and Dr. Mathiak seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k)(4) to deliberate on Attorney General's Report and Cognizant Report and to receive information on Attorney General's Report and Cognizant Report. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board Members Wren, Anchors, Mathiak, Sallarulo and Patterson. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Applications:

D.T.: Dr. Mathiak moved and Dr. Patterson seconded and the Board voted to reconsider the Chiropractic Board Meeting decision of March 10, 2005 denying D.T.'s application for licensure, and to schedule an Investigative Interview.

Cognizant Member's Report:

CHIR050056, 57, 58, 59, 60: Dr. Wren moved and Dr. Sallarulo seconded and the Board voted to forward copies to the Assistant Attorney General's office for review.

Senate Bill 124 – Residential/General Contractors Legislation:

Ms. Thomas advised the Board that this legislation passed the General Assembly. She also informed the Board that a letter from Secretary of State Cathy Cox would be mailed out to the Board members today in response to Sen. Mitch Seabaugh's correspondence.

Referrals:

The Board discussed insurance requirements that patients obtain medical referrals for every third Chiropractic visit.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Yvonne LeSane, Board Secretary

Reviewed/Edited by: Jacqueline A. Hightower, Executive Director

David A. Wren, D.C.
Board President

Mollie L. Fleeman
Division Director