



State of California
Edmund G. Brown Jr., Governor

**Board of Chiropractic Examiners
MEETING MINUTES
Government Affairs Committee
June 11, 2015**

Teleconference Locations

Board of Chiropractic Examiners 901 P Street, Suite 142A Sacramento, CA 95814	McClain Sports & Wellness Inc. 6360 Wilshire Blvd. #410 Los Angeles, CA 90048
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Agoura Hills Library
29901 Ladyface Court
Agoura Hills, CA 91301

Committee Members Present

Julie Elginer, Dr. PH, Chair
Dionne McClain, D.C.
Frank Ruffino

Staff Present

Robert Puleo, Executive Officer
Linda Shaw, Assistant Executive Officer
Dixie Van Allen, Acting Licensing Manager

Call to Order & Establishment of a Quorum

Dr. Elginer called the meeting to order at 11:07 a.m.

Roll Call

Dr. McClain called the roll. All Board members were present at the locations listed on the Notice.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: MR. RUFFINO MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 30, 2015 GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING.

DR. MCCLAIN RECOMMENDED CORRECTING THE TITLES ON PAGE 2 FOR MS. VAN ALLEN FOR CONSISTENCY.

MOTION: DR. MCCLAIN MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 30, 2015 GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING WITH THE CORRECTIONS TO MS. VAN ALLEN'S TITLE.

SECOND: MR. RUFFINO SECONDED THE MOTION

VOTE: (2-0, 1 ABSTAIN) (DR. MCCLAIN – AYE, MR. RUFFINO – AYE, DR. ELGINER - ABSTAIN)

MOTION CARRIED

Legislative Update

Ms. Van Allen provided the Committee with a summary of the following legislative bills:

- SB 277 - Pan (Public health: vaccinations)

This bill passed out of the Assembly Health Committee and has not been referred to any other committee thus far. Ms. Van Allen advised that the amendments made to this bill do not have an impact upon the Board and recommended that the position of "WATCH" remain in effect.

Dr. McClain inquired about whether this bill will be referred to the full Board for further discussion. Mr. Puleo, Executive Officer, advised that the Board will follow this bill throughout the entire legislative session and an update and opportunity for discussion will be provided at the next Board meeting.

The Committee agreed to continue a position of "WATCH".

- AB 333 – Melendez (Healing Arts: continuing education)

Ms. Van Allen advised that clarifying changes were made to this bill which includes the type of courses which are eligible for CE credit, the amount of CE credit which can be granted during each renewal cycle, and an exemption for boards whose continuing education regulations exclude these types of courses. Ms. Van Allen advised that the amendments made to this bill do not have an impact upon the Board and recommended that the position of "NEUTRAL" remain in effect.

Dr. Elginer inquired about whether the continuity was discussed between this bill and the Board's desire to require CPR certification as a condition of renewal for chiropractors.

Mr. Puleo advised that this bill does not conflict with current regulations or possible changes to BCE regulations requiring CPR certification of chiropractors because this bill is trying to create incentives for becoming a CPR/AED instructor, rather than basic CPR certification.

The committee agreed to continue the position of "NEUTRAL".

- AB 12 – Cooley (State Government: administrative regulations: review)

Ms. Van Allen advised that this bill was problematic due to the workload entailed in the rulemaking process and reports to the Legislature; however, after further reconsideration, believes it won't be as cumbersome as originally anticipated. The Licensing/Continuing Education Committee and Curriculum Focus Group are currently reviewing a large bulk of the regulations surrounding Continuing Education and Curriculum. Further, the Board is working on an Omnibus rulemaking package, disciplinary guidelines, and an application rulemaking package. As such, she recommended that the Committee change their position to "NEUTRAL".

MOTION: MR. RUFFINO MOVED TO REMOVE THE "OPPOSE" POSITION AND RECOMMEND A "NEUTRAL" POSITION ON AB 12 TO THE FULL BOARD.

SECOND: DR. MCCLAIN SECONDED THE MOTION

VOTE: (3:0) (DR. MCCLAIN – AYE, MR. RUFFINO – AYE, DR. ELGINER - AYE)

MOTION CARRIED

- SB 467– Hill (Professions and Vocations)

Mr. Puleo explained that this bill would require DCA's pro rata to be approved by the Legislature. This bill would also require the AG's office to review and submit reports to the Legislature on timelines and costs for their services to DCA. Lastly, this bill would require Division of Investigation to work with all healthcare boards to standardize the complaint intake process. Mr. Puleo does not anticipate that this bill will have a significant fiscal or workload impact upon the Board and recommended that the Committee take a "NEUTRAL" position.

The Committee agreed to recommend a "NEUTRAL" position to the Board.

- HBD 2978 (Bonnen) – Public Health

Mr. Puleo explained that this bill was brought to the attention of the Committee at the last Govt. Affairs Committee meeting. It was originally thought that this was a federal bill that had an impact on the chiropractic scope of practice. After further review, it was determined to be a Texas bill dealing with neurodiagnostics and has no impact upon the BCE.

Review and Discussion of BCE Strategic Plan Goals Assigned to the Government Affairs & Strategic Plan Committee

Dr. Elginer covered the goals which have been completed by the Govt. Affairs Committee and volunteered to inquire with the Board members at the next Board meeting about the deliverables that the Board would like to see in order to complete Action Items 4.2.4 and 4.2.5.

Ms. Van Allen advised that completion of Action Item 7.2 is largely dependent on the Office of Public Affairs. Ms. Valdivia-Aguilar will not be able to attend the July committee meeting, but has agreed to provide an update on the Board's Communications Assessment to share at the next committee meeting.

Mr. Puleo will follow-up with Russ Heimerich at the Office of Public Affairs to ensure that an update is provided.

Public Comment – None

Future Agenda Items – None

Dr. Elginer adjourned the meeting at 11:55 a.m.