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BOARD MEETING

March 28, 2025

10:00 a.m.

Department of Consumer Affairs
Evergreen Hearing Room
2005 Evergreen St, 1st Floor, Room 1150 A&B
Sacramento, CA 95815

Action may be taken on any item listed on the agenda.

Agenda items may be taken out of order for meeting efficiency.

MINUTES

OPEN SESSION

I. Call to Order & Establishment of Quorum.

Board Member McAloon called the meeting to order at 10:22 a.m. Kathleen Cooper called roll, and a quorum was established.

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P	P	P	A	A	P

II. President's Welcome.

Board Member McAloon welcomed the Board Members, staff, and all attendees. This was the last meeting for Board Member McAloon and Board Members provided comments of gratitude for Board Member McAloon's service.

III. Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda.

The members of the public did not provide any comments.

DL = D. Lee	DG = D. Glazier	SP = S. Patel
DE = D. Elliot	SC = S. Chang	CM = C. McAloon

LEGEND: Y: YES, N: NO, A: ABSENT, P: PRESENT, ABS: ABSTAIN, C: CONFLICT

IV. Review and Approve October 11, 2024 Meeting Minutes. Board Member Patel moved, and Board Member Glazier seconded, to approve the October 11, 2024 Meeting Minutes. The motion carried 4-0. The members of the public did not provide any comments.

DL	DG	SP	DE	SC	CM
Y	Y	Y	A	A	Y

V. Receive and Possible Action on Executive Officer's Report – Brian Naslund

A. Licensing Program Update – Sumer Patel, DPM

The Board received and reviewed information from Andreia Damien, Licensing Coordinator, and reviewed licensing statistics and renewals from Quarters 1 and 2 of FY 24-25, between July 1 and December 31, 2024. There were approximately 31 permanent licenses granted. Comparisons were made with data from the last three fiscal years with a total of 315 new licenses being granted over the last four years. The Board asked for additional information as to how many fee waivers have been granted to licensees, for information regarding licensees that are noncompliant, and for more info on the CE criteria requested so that licensees are clear on what CEs are accepted. The Board requested that current CE criteria be covered in a newsletter article.

The members of the public did not provide any comments.

B. Enforcement Program Update – Devon Glazier

The Board received information from Bethany DeAngelis, Enforcement Coordinator, regarding enforcement data for Quarters 1-2 of FY 24-25, between July 1 and December 31, 2024. Although it was reported earlier that we are having significant processing delays, the vacant position at MBC has been filled, and it is expected that these numbers will improve. There were 75 active complaints opened with 325 days on average to complete. The Attorney General opened 8 new cases. There were 5 final disciplinary orders issued; there were 3 citations issued. There were 7 active licensees on probationary status and one closed probationary case. DCA performance measures are also available online. There may be significant cases coming up this year and many do not have the option of cost recovery. Last year the Board collected significant amounts. We are looking closely at cost recovery amounts that are received during this fiscal year. The Board asked that we look into options that might be able to increase the amounts received through cost recovery.

The members of the public did not provide any comments.

C. Legislative and Regulation Program Update – Daniel Lee, DPM

The Board received information from Kathleen Cooper, Legislative Analyst, regarding legislative updates.

AB 1501 – Physicians' Assts and Podiatrists – (Berman)

The Board received information from Kathleen Cooper, Administrative Analyst.

Existing law repeals PMBC on January 1, 2026. This bill will extend the operation of PMBC until January 1, 2030. Under BPC Sec 2474 it a misdemeanor to use certain terms or letters indicating or implying that a person is a doctor of podiatric medicine without holding a valid, unrevoked, and unsuspended certificate to practice podiatric medicine.

This bill includes the use of the term podiatric surgeon. Additionally, the bill will state that it is the policy of this state that a doctor of podiatric medicine shall not be classified or treated as an ancillary provider in any health care setting or insurance reimbursement structure for any purpose. This bill also states that DPM applicants from other states that are in good standing, do not have to re-take the Part III exam if was taken more than 10 years prior. See BPC 2488.

Existing law establishes specified fees applicable to certificates to practice podiatric medicine, including a biennial renewal fee of $1,318. This bill would increase the biennial renewal fee to $1,950, and other various fees would also be increased as outlined in the bill. Technical changes are also being made to update language.

Board Member McAloon made a motion and Board Member Patel seconded, to add the language "podiatric surgeon" to BPC 2474. The members of the public did not provide any comments. The motion passed 4-0-2.

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Board Member McAloon made a motion and Board Member Patel seconded, to delete, subsection (b) of BPC 2488. The members of the public did not provide any comments. The motion passed 4-0-2.

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Y	Y	Y	A	A	Y

ACR 50, Special Olympics; and Doctors of Podiatric Medicine – California Assembly Concurrent Resolution. It designates March 24, 2025 as Special Olympics Day in California. This acknowledges the mission of the Special Olympics in providing year-round sports training and competition for individuals with disabilities. DPMs are needed and encouraged to participate.

The Board discussed the issue of how DPMs are not ancillary healthcare providers but are surgeons. The Board discussed many aspects and implications of this designation. Public Comment was received from CPMA, and it was mentioned that in the clinical setting, DPMs practice independently and the administrative use of the word “ancillary” is a burden to the DPMs. It also impacts patients and is a barrier to podiatric medical care in California. CPMA supports the policy that DPMs are not considered ancillary.

Board Member McAloon moved, and Board Member Glazier seconded that, to authorize staff to seek legislative changes to not have DPMs classified or treated as ancillary providers in any healthcare setting or for health plan reimbursement purposes, given the importance of Californians being able to access adequate podiatric care, the shortage of DPMs and significant portions of California that lack access to adequate podiatric care. The members of the public did not provide any comments. The motion passed 4-0-2.

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Y	Y	Y	A	A	Y

Regulatory Program Update – AB 826, Continuing Medical Education; Disciplinary Guidelines. It was reported that both of these regulatory matters are expected to be completed this year.

D. Public Education Program Update – Darlene Trujllio Elliot

It was reported that contributions are currently being accepted for the PMBC’s newsletter “Footnotes” for 2025. We are hoping to close this issue by the end of September 2025. As far as social media accounts, it was discussed whether PMBC should join Instagram or other social media venues. Possible limitations on Board Members posts were also discussed, and the matter should be discussed again in the future when more information is available. The members of the public did not provide any comments.

E. Executive Management Update – Daniel Lee, DPM

The Board heard from Brian Naslund. It was reported that the Sunset Hearing was attended by staff and Board Member McAloon. Board Member Glazier attended remotely. During the hearing it was clear that PMBC’s Sunset Report was prepared thoroughly, and the attendees were well prepared for the hearing. There were very few issues that needed to be clarified. The Sunset process will continue and reports to the Board will be updated.

As to DEI, the updated Strategic Plan was discussed. Board Member McAloon moved, and Board Member Glazier seconded, that the updated Strategic Plan be accepted. The members of the public did not provide any comments. The motion passed 4-0-2.

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There was a discussion of holding cases that need to be voted on by the Board. The PMBC Administrative Manual does not address this. It was discussed that PMBC could update the Administrative Manual to include language as to how many Board Members are needed to hold a case for discussion. The Board has 100 days to review such matters. If there is no vote, the ALJs decision will prevail. This matter will be discussed again at the next Board Meeting.

Board Member Patel moved, and Board Member Glazier seconded a motion to accept the Executive Officers reports. The members of the public did not provide any comments. Motion passed 4-0-2.

CM	DL	DE	SC	DG	SP
Y	Y	A	A	Y	Y

VII. Future Agenda Items

It was requested that there be a future discussion of transverse tibial bone transport. It was also brought up that in the future there should be a discussion about the long-term future of options for this Board. This would include the number of licensees and predictions of future fee increases and the value of this independent board.

VIII. Adjournment

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:50 p.m.

Approved on:

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Brian Naslund, Executive Officer

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BOARD MEETING

June 18, 2025

6:00 p.m.

Department of Consumer Affairs
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Action may be taken on any item listed on the agenda.

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MINUTES

OPEN SESSION

I. Call to Order & Establishment of Quorum.

Board Member Lee called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Kathleen Cooper called roll, and a quorum was established.

DL	DG	SP	DE	SC
P	A	P	P	P

II. President's Welcome.

Board Member Lee welcomed and thanked the Board Members, staff, and attendees.

III. Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda.

The members of the public did not provide any comments.

DL = D. Lee	DG = D. Glazier	SP = S. Patel
DE = D. Elliot	SC = S. Chang	CM = C. McAloon

LEGEND: Y: YES, N: NO, A: ABSENT, P: PRESENT, ABS: ABSTAIN, C: CONFLICT

IV. Review and Approve March 28, 2025, Meeting Minutes

Board President Lee asked for a vote to approve the draft minutes from the last meeting on March 28, 2025. The members of the public did not provide any comments.

Board unanimously approved the motion, 4-0.

DL	DG	SP	DE	SC
Y	A	Y	Y	Y

V. Fiscal Reporting – (Tabled)

This item was tabled for a future meeting.

VI. Receive and Possible Action on Executive Officer's Report – Brian Naslund

A. Licensing Program Update – Sumer Patel, DPM

The Board received and reviewed information from Andreia Damien, Licensing Coordinator, and reviewed licensing statistics and renewals from 3rd Quarter of FY 24-25, between January 1 and March 31, 2025. There were approximately 29 newly licensed DPMs, 29 pending applications, and 3 candidates that recently completed their package. There are 22 applicants from out of state: 20 are third year residents from California and 18 are third year residents from an out of state program. There were 292 renewals mailed and 267 licenses renewed. There were 133 residents. Three licensees have fee deferrals and are using the Wildfire Deferral Program.

There are 18 post-graduate clinical training programs that are seeking approval for programs during the 25-26 academic year. The Licensing Committee met on May 7th and recommended approval for all 18 programs. Board Member Patel moved, and Board Member Elliot seconded a motion to approve the 18 Residency Programs attached. Motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

DL	DG	SP	DE	SC
Y	A	Y	Y	Y

The members of the public did not provide any comments.

B. Enforcement Program Update – Darlene Trujillo Elliott

The Board received information from Bethany DeAngelis, Enforcement Coordinator, regarding enforcement for the third-quarter data between January 1 and March 31, 2025. There were 31 complaints received. There were 29 desk investigations assigned, and 36 desk investigations were completed. Processing time averaged 122 days. There were 5 field investigations assigned, and 4 cases were completed with an average of 169 days to complete. There were 3 disciplinary cases initiated, and 3 final orders went into effect. No citations were issued and there was one successful probation completion, and one new probationer added. For additional statistics please see the attached report for annual statistical reporting. As to costs for future hearings, some are not reimbursable. Performance measures are available on the DCA website. Cost recovery statistics are available as an attachment in this report and please refer to the attachment from MBC regarding proposed cost recovery matters. Expert and consultant training is scheduled for October 24, 2025.

The members of the public did not provide any comments.

C. Legislative and Regulation Program Update – Daniel Lee, DPM

The Board received information from Kathleen Cooper, Legislative Analyst, regarding legislative updates.

AB 1501 – Physicians' Assts and Podiatrists – (Berman) Daniel Lee, DPM
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The Board received information from Kathleen Cooper, Administrative Analyst. She reported that AB 1501 has moved out of the Appropriations Committee, and we are expecting that the fee increase will be in a range that will allow PMBC to improve its fund condition. Under BPC Sec 2474 it a misdemeanor to use certain terms or letters indicating or implying that a person is a doctor of podiatric medicine without holding a valid, unrevoked, and unsuspended certificate to practice podiatric medicine. This bill includes the use of the term podiatric surgeon. This bill also states that DPM applicants from other states that are in good standing, do not have to re-take the Part III exam if was taken more than 10 years prior. (*See* BPC 2488.) Additionally, the bill will state that it is the policy of this state that a doctor of podiatric medicine shall not be classified or treated as an ancillary provider in any health care setting or insurance reimbursement structure for any purpose. Board Member Lee made a motion and Board Member Elliot seconded a motion to support AB 1501. Motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

DL	DG	SP	DE	SC
Y	A	Y	Y	Y

Regulatory Program Update – AB 826, Continuing Medical Education; Disciplinary Guidelines.

It was reported that these regulatory matters are progressing.

Members of the public did not provide any comments.

D. Public Education Program Update – Darlene Trujllio Elliot

It was reported that contributions are currently being accepted for the PMBC's newsletter "Footnotes" for 2025. We are hoping to close this issue by the end of September 2025. As far as social media accounts, updates are made regularly. PMBC's Listserve and providing important notices such as fraud, were also discussed.

The members of the public did not provide any comments.

E. Executive Management Update – Daniel Lee, DPM

The Board heard from Brian Naslund, Executive Officer. It was reported that the Sunset Hearing was attended by staff and Board Member McAloon. During the hearing it was clear that PMBC's Sunset Report was prepared thoroughly, and the attendees were well prepared for the hearing. The shared services agreement with MBC was discussed. There was also a discussion of the unique role of the DPM in the medical system. The Sunset process will continue and reports to the Board will be updated. Thanks were given to all involved in the creation of the Sunset Report. Board Member Lee moved and Board Member Patel seconded to approve the Board's responses to the issues in the Sunset's background paper. Motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

DL	DG	SP	DE	SC
Y	A	Y	Y	Y

The Board considered the matter of updating the PMBC Administrative Manual regarding voting by mail and the number of holds needed to discuss a matter in closed session. Staff presented language that allows one person to hold a case for discussion. Board Member Patel moved, and Board Member Elliot seconded, a motion to update the Board's Admin Manual to reflect the language as presented by staff. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

DL	DG	SP	DE	SC
Y	A	Y	Y	Y

There were no comments from members of the public.

Motion was made by Board Member Patel to approve all the items in the Executive Director's Report. Member Chang seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously, 4-0.

DL	DG	SP	DE	SC
Y	A	Y	Y	Y

There were no comments from members of the public.

VII. Future Agenda Items

A future item may be included regarding the vacancies on our Board.

VIII. Adjournment

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:15 p.m.

Approved on:

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Brian Naslund, Executive Officer