



State of California
Edmund G. Brown Jr., Governor

**Board of Chiropractic Examiners
TELECONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES
Government Affairs Committee
May 12, 2016**

Teleconference Meeting Locations

901 P Street, Suite 142A
Sacramento, CA 95814
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(Board Staff)

Julie Elginer, DrPH
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John Roza, D.C.
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Mr. Frank Ruffino
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Cathedral City, CA 92234

Committee Members Present

Julie Elginer, DrPH, Chair
John Roza, D.C.
Frank Ruffino

Staff Present

Robert Puleo, Executive Officer
Dixie Van Allen, Licensing Manager
Marcus McCarther, Policy Analyst

Call to Order

Dr. Elginer called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m.

Roll Call

Dr. Roza called the roll. All Board members were present at the locations listed on the Agenda.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: MR. RUFFINO MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 7, 2016 MEETING.

SECOND: DR. ROZA SECONDED THE MOTION

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

MOTION CARRIED (3 – 0)

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Strategic Plan Process Update

Mr. Puleo introduced the Committee to Ted Evans of DCA's SOLID Unit. Mr. Puleo shared that Mr. Evans started the planning process and has already conducted separate Strategic Plan focus groups with management and staff and will be reaching out to board members to schedule phone interviews in the near future.

Mr. Evans shared that he had been able to meet with Board staff and management to discuss the details of the upcoming strategic plan. He explained that information was collected on board stakeholders and contact information for board members was discussed. Mr. Evans informed the Committee that a survey was developed and sent out to the board's stakeholder contact list. He shared that stakeholders would have until the end of May to complete the survey.

Dr. Elginer requested that Mr. Evans provide her with the survey questions that were sent out to the Board stakeholders.

Mr. Evans responded that he would provide the questions and that the questions included would be the same for each group participating in the planning process (Board members, staff, and stakeholders). He shared that the only difference is that stakeholders would be asked to identify their affiliation to the board (i.e. whether they are a school, licensee, or consumer).

Mr. Evans explained that items on the Strategic Plan timeline were delayed for personal reasons. Also, he shared that it took time to gain approval on language to include in the email to Board members.

Dr. Elginer requested that Mr. Evans provide an updated Strategic Plan Process timeline before the board meeting the following week.

Mr. Evans responded that it would not be a problem to provide the updated timeline and that the Strategic Plan schedule was still on track for completion. He explained that the Board member interviews would be scheduled and completed by May 27, 2016.

Mr. Evans shared with committee members that DCA's SOLID Unit was currently vetting focus group information and had started the environmental scan document. He stated the a draft of the Environmental Scan would be available for board staff review on June 23, 2016.

Dr. Elginer asked Mr. Evans if there were specific directions or tools provided to members to help prepare for the July 28, 2016 planning session. She explained that experience has shown her that clear directions and expectations yield the best results.

Mr. Evans responded that before the planning session, the environmental scan document is distributed to board members along with a worksheet. He stated that the worksheet includes instructions asking members to identify A, B, and C level priorities, strategic objectives, and to keep notes from the scan, in order to present items of priority to other board members during the group discussion.

Dr. Elginer shared with Mr. Evans that she would remind board members to build time into their schedules to review the environmental scan documents in preparation for the full board planning session.

Mr. Evans stated that he would provide the members with the contact information of Elissa Cohan, the BCE Strategic Plan, Co-Facilitator.

Dr. Elginer explained to Mr. Evans that she expects the other members to be fully prepared and ready to go for the planning session.

Dr. Elginer requested Mr. Evans to add the date of the October 14, 2016 board meeting to the Strategic Plan timeline. She explained that this would ensure that members know the Strategic Plan would be approved at the October meeting.

Legislative Update

Mr. Puleo explained to the committee that the board had taken a position on three bills; however, two of those bills have since died.

AB 1992 (Jones) Pupil health: physical examinations

Mr. Puleo stated that AB 1992, which dealt with pre-participation sports physicals, failed in the Assembly Business and Professions Committee.

Mr. Chris Forsyth, Government Affairs Director for the California Chiropractic Association (CCA), provided the committee with an update on the status of the failed bill. He explained that CCA was working Assembly Member Jones and various other members of the legislature to find another vehicle for the AB 1992 language.

Dr. Elginer requested that Mr. Forsyth provide the board with an update on the bill if it is picked up again.

AB 2407 (Chavez) Workers' compensation

Mr. Puleo shared that AB 2407, which would have encouraged physicians and surgeons to consider conservative care options like chiropractic, before surgery or prescribing opioids to patients failed in Committee. Mr. Puleo explained that AB 2407 was held in the Assembly Insurance Committee and assigned for study.

Mr. Forsyth informed the committee that the legislature would hold a fall informational hearing discussing the subject matter addressed in AB 2407. He explained that the hearing would be held in September or October of 2016 and was not sure where the hearing would take place.

Mr. Ruffino asked Mr. Forsyth if CCA had taken a position on AB 2744.

Mr. Forsyth responded that CCA has taken a watch position on the bill.

SB 1033 (Hill) Medical Board: disclosure of probationary status.

Mr. Puleo began by explaining SB 1033 would require certain medical professionals to disclose their probationary status to patients if their probation requires them to do specific tasks. He shared that this could include having a monitor or third party present.

Mr. Puleo shared that the bill had been amended and the technical amendments requested by the board had been accepted. Those amendments changed references to the “practice of medicine” to the practice of chiropractic and deleted any paragraph that includes a reference to chiropractors “prescribing controlled substances”.

After review, Mr. Puleo explained that the changes to SB 1033 were not substantive enough to change the board’s support position on the bill. Mr. Puleo explained that since the April 7, 2016 committee meeting, SB 1033 had not been heard in the Legislature and was rescheduled several times. He shared that the bill would be heard in the Senate Appropriations Committee on May 16, 2016 and that he did not anticipate any major objections to the bill.

Dr. Elginer responded to Mr. Puleo asking if there were any issues with SB 1033.

Mr. Puleo explained that the author pulled the bill in order to finalize amendments. He shared that it was not the Senate Appropriation Committee raising objections to the bill.

Mr. Puleo informed the committee that staff would represent the board and testify in support of the bill at the Senate Appropriation Committee.

Dr. Elginer asked Mr. Forsyth if CCA had testified in support of SB 1033.

Mr. Forsyth responded that CCA had testified in support of the bill.

Dr. Elginer shared that AB 2744 had been moved to the consent calendar of the Legislature.

Discussion of Dates for Future Committee Meetings

Dr. Elginer explained that the committee has meetings scheduled for June 9, 2016 and July 21, 2016 and tentative dates for the legislative meet and greets in November.

Public Comment For Items Not On The Agenda

There was no public comment on this agenda item.

Future Agenda Items

There were no future agenda items discussed.

Adjournment

Dr. Elginer adjourned the meeting at 10:51 a.m.