

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
EMERGENCY MEETING VIDEOCONFERENCE MINUTES
July 1, 2020**

The emergency meeting was called pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code, Section 551.045. The meeting was required due to a reasonably unforeseen situation and the imminent threat to public health and safety, in light of the COVID-19 disaster declaration.

On March 13, 2020, the Governor of Texas certified COVID-19 as posing an imminent threat of disaster to the public health and safety and declared a state of disaster in all counties of Texas. Therefore, an emergency or public necessity exists within the meaning of Texas Government Code Section 551.045. Pursuant to the certification, the Governor suspended certain open-meeting provisions that require government officials and members of the public to be physically present at a specified meeting location, in an effort to reduce meetings that assemble large groups of people.

Accordingly, the meeting proceeded by Microsoft Team video conference, as allowed under Texas Government Code, Sec. 551.127 and the Governor's suspension referenced above.

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. by the chair, Sherif Z. Zaafran, M.D. Committee members present were Kandace Farmer, D.O.; Manuel "Manny" Quinones, Jr., M.D. and Linda Molina, J.D. Mr. Cokinos was not present. Various staff members were present, including Brint Carlton, Executive Director; Scott Freshour, J.D., General Counsel; and various other staff.

Agenda item #2, Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding adoption of emergency rule amendments to 22 T.A.C. 174.5, Issuance of Prescriptions.

Dr. Zaafran presented the proposed emergency rule for adoption. After discussion, **Ms. Molina moved, Dr. Farmer seconded, and the motion passed to approve the adoption of emergency rule 22 T.A.C. 174.5, Issuance of Prescriptions.**

Agenda item #3, Adjourn. There being no further agenda items, **Dr. Farmer moved, Ms. Molina seconded, and the motion passed to adjourn at 3:09 p.m.**

- • 22 TAC §187.57(c), “Continuing Threat”
- • 22 TAC §178.4(d), **Complaint Initiation – Peer Review Reporting**

Agenda item #3, Adjourn. There being no further agenda items, **Dr. Quinones moved, Mr. Cokinos seconded, and the motion passed to adjourn at 9:24 a.m.**