



Texas Medical Board

BOARD MEETING

August 15, 2025

The meeting was called to order on Friday August 15, 2025 at 8:04 a.m. by Board President Sherif Zaafran, M.D. Board members present were: : Kandace Farmer, D.O., Vice President; Michael Cokinos (appeared at 8:17 a.m.), Secretary/Treasurer; Sharon Barnes; Devinder S. Bhatia, M.D.; Garry Crain (appeared at 8:35 a.m.); George L. DeLoach, D.O.; Luisa del Rosal; James Distefano, D.O.; Kelly Green, M.D.; Tomeka Herod; Zach Jones, M.D.; Robert Martinez, M.D.; LuAnn R. Morgan; Jayaram B. Naidu, M.D.; Manuel Quinones, Jr., M.D.; Jason Tibbels, M.D.; Linda C. Troncoso; and David G. Vanderweide, M.D. Staff members present were: Brint Carlton, J.D., Executive Director; Chris Palazola, J.D., Director of Operations; Scott Freshour, J.D., General Counsel; and various other staff.

Agenda Item # 1, Mission Statement. Dr. Zaafran read the board's mission statement into the minutes. *Our Mission is to protect and enhance the public's health, safety and welfare by establishing and maintaining standards of excellence used in regulating the practice of medicine and ensuring quality health care for the citizens of Texas through licensure, discipline, and education.*

Agenda Item #2, Board Member Report.

- a. **IMG Stakeholder Meeting in September** Dr. Zaafran reported that there will be an IMG rule Stakeholder Meeting in September.
- b. **Special Session** Dr. Zaafran reported that there have not been many items in the Special Session that impact the Texas Medical Board.
- c. **DPRC Sub Cmtes** Dr. Zaafran updated the board members on the new DPRC process and sub committees.
- d. **October Board Meeting in Person?** Dr. Zaafran reported that the October meeting will be in person.

Agenda Item #3, Consideration and possible action for dispositions below minimum guidelines. After discussion, **Dr. Distefano moved, Ms. Morgan seconded, and the motion passed to approve the disposition below minimum guidelines for Mihnea Dumitrscu, MD.**

Agenda Item #4, Consideration and approval of Mediated Settlement Agreed Orders. After consideration, **Ms. Herod moved, Dr. Vanderweide seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Mediated Settlement Agreed Order for Maureen Adair, MD; Randy Davis, MD; and Joseph Rowland Feste, MD.**

Agenda Item #5, Consideration and possible action for Remedial Plans. After consideration, **Dr. Quinones moved, Dr. Vanderweide seconded and the motion passed to approve the Remedial Plan for Shamoon Ahmed, MD; Uma Chintapalli, MD; Anand Loha, MD; Tiffany Mullin, MD; Cuong Xuan Nguyen, D.O.; Oscar Perez, M.D.; Tapan Rami, M.D.; Michael Dominick Roberts, M.D.; Sergio Zamora, D.O; Neeraj Bhagwan Shah, MD; Yussein Aguirre, MD; Melissa Ann Crawley, MD; Neil Hong Dihh, MD; Jeremy Drollinger, MD; Mark Fierro, MD; Alan Elan Hananel, MD; Jack W. Janoe, MD; Mario Anthony Martinez (Dr. Bhatia recused); Raul Palacios, III, MD; Mark Stephen Parrella, MD; Jose Oscar Seda, MD; Clifton Erwin Thomas, MD; Rahesh Kumar Bindal, MD (Dr. Bhatia recused); Bryan Kahl, MD; Angelene Marcell Stewart, DO; Yaser**

Elqutub, DO; Rawn Edward Bosely, MD; David Anthony Rodriguez, MD; Ravi Somayazula, DO; Wendy Cutler, MD; Benjamin Wilson, MD; and Salvador Recio, MD.

After discussion, **Dr. Zaafran moved, Dr. Bhatia seconded, and the motion passed to convert the Remedial Plan to an Agreed Order for Ali Mohamed Osman, MD.**

Agenda Item #6, Consideration and possible action for Agreed Orders. After consideration, **Dr. Quinones moved, Dr. Martinez seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Agreed Orders for Bruce January, MD; Allan Churukian, MD; Sonny Garcha, MD; James Hou Liu, MD; Matthew Lockwood, MD; Stephen Pickstone, MD; Saranya Srinivasan, MD; Mijan Stankovic, MD; Erik Anderson, MD; Olajide Oladele Benson, MD; Ashwin Gaitonde, MD; Tod Charles Heldridge, MD; Sanjai Ronald Isaac, MD; Kristen Blake Mitchell, MD; Daniel Rousch, DO; Christopher Ince, MD; Lena Bruce, MD; Yolanda Lagunas, MD.**

Agenda Item #7, Consideration and approval of Modification Request/Termination Request Orders. After consideration, **Dr. Vanderweide moved, Dr. Bhatia seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Modification Requests/Termination Requests Orders for Khaja Chisty, MD; Angela Gucwa, MD; Hugo Ernesto Guido; Rolando Hinojosa, MD; and Bernadette Iguh, MD; Lloyd Krapin, MD; Raleigh Smith, MD; Raleigh Smith, MD; David Wayne Spinks, DO; Fernando Avila, MD and Paul E. Kobaza, DO.**

Agenda Item #8, Consideration and approval of Modification Request/Termination Request of Non-Public Rehabilitation Orders. There were none.

Agenda Item #9, Consideration and approval of Cease-and-Desist Orders. There were none.

Agenda Item #10, Consideration and approval of Nunc Pro Tunc Orders. There were none.

Agenda Item #11, Consideration and approval of Agreed Resolution Orders. There were none.

Agenda Item #12, Consideration and approval of Consent Orders. There were none.

Agenda Item #13, Consideration and approval of Determination of Default. There were none.

Agenda Item #14, Consideration and approval of Proposal for Decision. There were none.

Agenda Item #15, Executive Director Report.

a. New Medical Director Mr. Carlton gave an update on the new Medical Director.

b. Rules Summary Mr. Carlton gave an update on the board rules.

Mr. Estrada gave an update on the current budget.

Agenda Item #16, Medical Director Report. Nothing to report.

Agenda Item #17, Public Information Update. Ms. Taurie Sloan, Director of Government Affairs, gave a report on Public Information.

Agenda Item #18, Report Physician Assistant Liaison. Nothing to report.

Agenda Item #19, Consideration and possible action regarding pending litigation. Mr. Freshour gave a report on pending litigation.

- a. **Rehearing Requests** Mr. Freshour presented one request for rehearing from Dennis Cantu.

Agenda Item #20, Report on Automatic Orders. A report on Automatic Orders was provided.

Agenda Item #21, Consideration and approval of Orders to Show Cause. There were none.

Agenda Item #22, Consideration and approval of Revised, Vacated, or Amended Orders. There were none.

There were no items for Agenda Items 23-29.

Agenda Item #30, Open Forum for Public Comment. No one made public comments.

Agenda Item #31, Discussion, recommendation, and possible action relating to personnel matters. There was nothing to discuss.

Consent Agenda, Discussion/Action Items – to be considered and any time the full board is in session:

1. **Consideration and approval of the June 13, 2025, Medical Board Meeting Minutes and actions items.**
2. **Committee reports and the consideration and approval of minutes and action items committees meeting during the board meeting.**

After discussion, Dr. Quinones moved, Dr. Jones seconded, and the motion passed to approve the **June 13, 2025, Medical Board Meeting Minutes and action items.**

After discussion, Dr. Quinones moved, Dr. Martinez seconded, and the motion passed to approve the **minutes and action items of committees meeting during the board meeting.**

Agenda Item #32, Adjourn. There being no further items, Mr. Cokinos moved, Ms. Barnes seconded, and the motion passed to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 a.m.