## WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE Conference Call Board Meeting Minutes July 25, 2014

The West Virginia Board of Osteopathic Medicine held an emergency meeting via teleconference on Friday, July 25, 2014, at 10:00 AM. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Vice President, Robert Whitler. Dr. Miller, President joined the meeting at 10:10 AM.

## **Members Present:**

Ernie Miller, D.O. – President Robert Whitler – Vice President Arthur Rubin, D.O. – Secretary Joseph Schreiber, D.O. – Physician Member Heather Jones, PA-C - PA Member Elizabeth Blatt, Ph.D. – Citizen Member

## **Guests and Members of the Press:**

Ian Hicks, Wheeling Intelligencer Jennifer Smith, Metro news Radio John Hanlotte, WOWK 13 News Bob Aaron, WCHS-TV John Raby, Associated Press

## **Staff Members Present:**

Jennifer Akers, Esq. – Board Attorney Diana Shepard – Executive Director

Today's agenda consisted of one licensing issue. After roll call was taken and a quorum established, the Board moved into Executive Session at 10:05 AM with all present Board members, the Board's Executive Director and Attorney. All guests were dismissed until Board moved back into Public Session.

The Board moved back into Public Session at 10:35 AM. All guests were invited back into the meeting, at which time Dr. Joseph Schreiber had to leave the meeting by telephone. (Rubin/Whitler)

1) Roland Chalifoux, Jr., D.O.: (Complaint 2014-16)

The Board received a formal complaint from Letitia Tierney, MD, JD; WV Commissioner of the Bureau for Public Health and State Health Officer dated, July 17, 2014. The complaint alleged a violation of 64 CSR 7.7, et seq of the Public Health Code.

Based upon all evidence provided, the West Virginia Board of Osteopathic Medicine finds there is probable cause to believe that Dr. Chalifoux engaged in unprofessional conduct and practices that constitute a departure from accepted standards of the practice of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery and further determines there is an immediate danger to the public if these practices were to continue. Motion was made to summarily suspend the license of Roland Chalifoux, D.O. (Whitler/Blatt)

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 AM. (Rubin/Blatt) The next scheduled meeting will be September 5, 2014, at the Embassy Suites in Charleston.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur Rubin, D. O. Secretary