WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE Conference Call Board Meeting Minutes April 8, 2013

The West Virginia Board of Osteopathic Medicine met, by conference call, originating at the Board office in Charleston, West Virginia. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM by President, Ernest Miller, D.O.

Members Participating:

Ernest Miller, D.O.

Robert Whitler
Arthur Rubin, D.O.

President
Vice President
Secretary

Joseph Schreiber, D.O.

Elizabeth Blatt, Ph.D.

Heather Jones, PA-C

Physician Member

Citizen Member

PA Member

Staff Present:

Diana Shepard – Executive Director Jennifer Akers, Board Counsel

Following Roll Call, motion was made to move into Executive Session at 8:40 AM with the Executive Director and Board Counsel present. (Blatt/Whitler)

Complaint Committee Report:

The report of the Complaint Committee meeting from March 14, 2013, was presented with the following recommendations to the Board:

Dismissal: 2013-04 Dismissal Without Prejudice: 2010-07

Consent Orders: 2013-06 and 2013-05

New Complaint: 2013-09

Updates were provided on the following complaints still under investigation: 2012-02; 2012-30; 2012-13; 2013-03 and 2012-08.

Motion was made to move back into public session at 9:05 AM. (Blatt/Schreiber)

Complaint 2013-04: Motion to dismiss. (Rubin/Blatt)

Complaint 2010-07: Motion to dismiss without prejudice. (Rubin/Schreiber)
Complaint 2013-06: Motion to fine \$1,000 and forward letter of instruction for

notifying patients of change of address. (Rubin/Whitler)

Complaint 2013-05: Motion to fine \$1,000, require board-approved ethics

course and opioids prescribing course and six month probation with pharmacy monitoring database review in

six months.

Complaint 2013-09: Motion for Board-initiated complaint regarding prescribing

practices. (Rubin/Blatt)

Larry Fitzwater, PA-C:

A new application has been received from Mr. Fitzwater to work in a physician-owned clinic. There is question as to how many hours/week the supervising physician will be available. Motion to table the application until availability of the supervising physician can be assessed. (Blatt/Schreiber)

Allen Saoud, D.O.

In preparation of an Administrative Hearing on Complaint 2011-11, the Statement of Charges was reviewed. Motion to amend the Statement of Charges by eliminating charges 2 through seven. (Blatt/Schreiber)

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 AM. (Blatt/Schreiber)

Respectfully submitted,
Withurs Rule, Do

Arthur Rubin, D. O. Secretary