

HAWAII MEDICAL BOARD
Professional and Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF MEETING

Date: March 13, 2025

Time: 1:00 p.m.

In-Person Meeting Location: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
HRH King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, First Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Virtual Participation: Virtual Videoconference Meeting – Zoom Webinar
<https://dcca-hawaii.gov.zoom.us/j/87678060592?pwd=LWRxCiNZn2f0vo0PxtX6QJKCi6Gkzk.1>

Zoom Recording Link: <https://youtu.be/hvEBqm099CI>

Present: Danny M. Takanishi, M.D., Chairperson, Honolulu Member
Gary Belcher, Vice Chairperson, Public Member
Andrew “Rick” Fong, M.D., Hawaii Member
William Brian Hatten, D.O., Osteopathic Member
Elizabeth “Lisa Ann” Ignacio, M.D., Maui Member
Michael Jaffe, D.O., Honolulu, Osteopathic Member
Wesley Mun, Public Member
Angela Pratt, M.D., Honolulu Member
Rebecca Sawai, M.D., Honolulu Member
Geri Young, M.D., Kauai Member
Shari J. Wong, Deputy Attorney General (“DAG”)
Chelsea Fukunaga, Executive Officer
Dawn Lee, Administrative Assistant
Johnny Li (Technical Support)

Excused: None

Zoom Guests: Sunhee Kim
Nathaniel Valin
Anna Jones
George Styzen
Jeremy

In-Person Guest(s): No in-person guests.

Agenda: The agenda for this meeting was posted to the State electronic calendar as required by Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS") section 92-7(b).

A short video was played to explain the meeting procedures and how members of the public could participate in the virtual meeting.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:13 p.m., at which time quorum was established.

Chair Takanishi welcomed everyone to the meeting and proceeded with a roll call of the Board members. All Board members confirmed that they were present and alone.

Chair Takanishi asked if anyone from the public would like to provide oral testimony on this agenda item. There was none.

Approval of the February 13, 2025, Open Session Minutes: Chair Takanishi stated that the minutes from the open session held on February 13, 2025, are not available and will be carried over to the next meeting.

Chair Takanishi asked if anyone from the public would like to provide oral testimony on this Ch. 91, HRS Adjudicatory Matters agenda item. There was none.

Ch. 91, HRS, Adjudicatory Matters: Chair Takanishi called for a recess from the meeting at 1:17 p.m., to discuss and deliberate on the following adjudicatory matters pursuant to Chapter 91, HRS (Note: Board members and staff entered the Zoom Breakout Room).

Chair Takanishi proceeded with a roll call of the Board members in the Zoom Breakout Room. All Board members confirmed that they were present and alone.

Mr. Mun re-entered Ch. 91, HRS Adjudicatory Session Breakout Room at 1:19 p.m.

A. In the Matter of the Physician's License of MARC E. KRUGER, M.D., MED 2024-144-L; Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order.

After due consideration of the information received, it was moved by Mr. Belcher, seconded by Dr. Young, and unanimously carried, to approve the Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order.

B. In the Matter of the License to Practice Osteopathic Medicine of MARVIN F. PINZON, D.O., MED 2024-257-L; Settlement

Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order; Exhibit "1"

After due consideration of the information received, it was moved by Dr. Jaffe, seconded by Dr. Young, and unanimously carried, to approve the Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order; Exhibit "1".

C. In the Matter of the License to Practice Medicine of MICHAEL P. QUIRK, D.O., MED 2024-240-L; Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order

After due consideration of the information received, it was moved by Dr. Sawai, seconded by Dr. Young, and unanimously carried, to approve the Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order.

Following the Board's review, deliberation, and decision on these matters pursuant to Chapter 91, HRS, Chair Takanishi announced that the Board reconvenes to its Chapter 92, HRS, meeting at 1:33 p.m. Board members and staff returned to the open session Zoom meeting. All Board members confirmed that they were present and alone.

Applications for License/
Certification:

A. Applications:

It was moved by Dr. Ignacio, seconded by Mr. Belcher, and unanimously carried to enter into executive session at 1:33 p.m., pursuant to HRS §92-5(a)(1), to consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for professional licenses cited in HRS §26-9 and, pursuant to HRS §92-5 (a)(4), to consult with the Board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities and liabilities. (Note: Board members and staff entered the Zoom Breakout Room).

Chair Takanishi proceeded with a roll call of the Board members in the Zoom Breakout Room. All members confirmed that they were present and alone.

(i) Physician (Permanent/Endorsement):

a. Sunhee Kim, M.D.

Sunhee Kim, M.D. entered the Zoom Breakout Room at 1:47 p.m.

Sunhee Kim, M.D. exited the Zoom Breakout Room at 1:54 p.m.

(ii) Physician (Permanent/Non-Endorsement):

a. Nathaniel Valin, M.D.

Nathaniel Valin, M.D. entered the Zoom Breakout Room at 2:01 p.m.

Nathaniel Valin, M.D. exited the Zoom Breakout Room at 2:10 p.m.

It was moved by Dr. Pratt, seconded by Dr. Sawai, and unanimously carried to return to the open session meeting at 2:20 p.m. Board members and staff returned to the main Zoom meeting. All Board members confirmed that they were present and alone.

(i) Physician (Permanent/Endorsement):

a. Sunhee Kim, M.D.

After due consideration of the information received, it was moved by Chair Takanishi, seconded by Dr. Young, and unanimously carried to approve Dr. Kim's application for licensure.

(ii) Physician (Permanent/Non-Endorsement):

b. Nathaniel Valin, M.D.

After due consideration of the information received, it was moved by Dr. Sawai, seconded by Dr. Hatten, and unanimously carried to approve Dr. Valin's application for licensure.

B. Ratification List (See attached list)

(i) March 13, 2025, Ratification List

It was moved Dr. Sawai, seconded by Mr. Belcher, and unanimously carried to ratify the attached lists of individuals for licensure or certification from March 13, 2025.

Chair Takanishi stated that this agenda item pertains to the bills currently being tracked. Some testimony has been provided on behalf of the Board by the Executive Officer. At this point, Chair Takanishi would like to know if any members of the Board have questions regarding this item. Additionally, Ms. Fukunaga would like to offer her comments on the matter.

Ms. Fukunaga stated that the bill concerning SB1373 was related to sex offenders. It was heard yesterday by what she believes is the Consumer Protection and Commerce Committee of the House, and she thinks it passed with amendments.

Ms. Fukunaga stated that SB1365 was also discussed yesterday. This refers to the IMLC bill, which was heard by the Health Committee of the House and passed with amendments.

Ms. Fukunaga stated that the matter concerning HB1379 will be heard next week by the Senate. She mentioned that the language in the bill has changed, specifically in the HD2 version, which aligns with the board-approved draft from a meeting held in December of last year. Those are all the updates that Ms. Fukunaga submitted on behalf of the board.

Chair Takanishi asked if there were any questions from the Board members. There being none. He then asked if anyone from the public would like to provide oral testimony. There was none.

Chair Takanishi requested a motion to add an agenda item that would not have any substantive effect on public welfare or on matters related to the adjudication of licensure applications and fitness determinations. Specifically, he would like to propose a motion to vote on appointing a representative from the Hawaii Medical Board to serve as the delegate to the Federation of State Medical Boards House of Delegates, which will convene in April of this year.

It was moved by Chair Takanishi, seconded by Dr. Jaffe, and unanimously carried to add a vote to the agenda regarding the appointment of a representative from the Hawaii Medical Board to serve as the delegate to the Federation of State Medical Boards House of Delegates.

Chair Takanishi stated that as many of you know, the Federation of State Banker Boards meets annually and includes a House of Delegates that votes on various proposals submitted to it. These proposals are not binding on any of the 70 jurisdictions in the United States, including ours, regarding matters that pertain to individual boards. However, many of them involve policy statements from the Federation. Examples include guiding documents related to physician impairment, return to practice, and

professionalism expectations. Each jurisdiction typically has one or two delegates, depending on its size. For instance, Hawaii has one delegate. Historically, the delegates have usually been presidents or chairs of their respective medical boards, although this is not always the case. Chair Takanishi will be attending the meeting to receive an award. This serves as a disclaimer, but he would like the Boards to vote on the delegate they believe is most suitable to represent the Hawaii Medical Board in the House of Delegates.

It was moved by Mr. Belcher, seconded by Dr. Young, and unanimously carried to nominate Chair Takanishi to serve as the Hawaii Medical Board's delegate.

Executive Officer
Report:

A. Hawaii State Ethics Commission – Financial Disclosure Statement

Financial disclosure statements for State officials must be filed no later than June 2, 2025.

Ms. Fukunaga reminded the board that the financial disclosures to the ethics commission are due on June 2nd of this year. She provided instructions for filing, but if you need any assistance, please reach out to Ms. Fukunaga.

Chair Takanishi expressed that the current process is much improved compared to the past. Previously, individuals had to fill out a form and mail it in, which meant they could not use FedEx since it was a P.O. Box. This led to the need for multiple follow-up calls to confirm receipt of the submission. He noted that there is a fine if board members, commissions, legislators, or the governor do not submit their forms by the deadline, which he believes is \$50. He then asked if any of the Board members had questions regarding this item.

Next Meeting:

Thursday, April 10, 2025

In-Person Meeting Location: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
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Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Reviewed and Approved by:

Taken and Recorded by:

/s/ Chelsea Fukunaga

/s/ Dawn Lee

Ms. Chelsea Fukunaga
Executive Officer

Ms. Dawn Lee
Administrative Assistant

() Minutes approved as is.
() Minutes approved with changes:

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