



**VIRTUAL/TELECONFERENCE
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD**
Virtual, 4822 Madison Yards Way, Madison
Contact: Tom Ryan (608) 266-2112
December 20, 2023

The following agenda describes the issues that the Board plans to consider at the meeting. At the time of the meeting, items may be removed from the agenda. Please consult the meeting minutes for a record of the actions of the Board.

AGENDA

8:00 A.M.

OPEN SESSION – CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

A. Adoption of Agenda (1-5)

B. Approval of Minutes of November 15, 2023 (6-11)

C. Introductions, Announcements and Recognition

D. Reminders: Conflicts of Interest, Scheduling Concerns

E. Administrative Matters – Discussion and Consideration

1) Department, Staff and Board Updates

2) Board Members – Term Expiration Dates

a. Bond, Jr., Milton – 7/1/2027

b. Chou, Clarence P. – 7/1/2027

c. Clarke, Callisia N. – 7/1/2024

d. Ferguson, Kris – 7/1/2025

e. Gerlach, Diane M. – 7/1/2024

f. Goel, Sumeet K. – 7/1/2027

g. Hilton, Stephanie – 7/1/2024

h. Lerma, Carmen – 7/1/2024

i. Leuthner, Steven R. – 7/1/2027

j. Majeed-Haqqi, Lubna – 7/1/2027

k. Schmeling, Gregory J. – 7/1/2025

l. Siebert, Derrick R. – 7/1/2025

m. Yu, Emily S. – 7/1/2024

3) Wis. Stat. § 15.085 (3)(b) – Affiliated Credentialing Boards’ Biannual Meeting with the Medical Examining Board to Consider Matters of Joint Interest

a. Physician Assistant Affiliated Credentialing Board – Jennifer Jarrett, Chairperson

F. Legislative and Policy Matters – Discussion and Consideration

- G. Administrative Rule Matters – Discussion and Consideration (12)**
 - 1) Pending or Possible Rulemaking Projects (13)
- H. Professional Assistant Procedure (PAP) Discussion of Expansion to Include Mental Health Disorders**
- I. Newsletter Matters – Discussion and Consideration
- J. Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) Matters – Discussion and Consideration
- K. Controlled Substances Board Report – Discussion and Consideration
- L. Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Commission (IMLCC) – Report from Wisconsin’s Commissioners – Discussion and Consideration
- M. Screening Panel Report
- N. Future Agenda Items
- O. Discussion and Consideration of Items Added After Preparation of Agenda:
 - 1) Introductions, Announcements and Recognition
 - 2) Elections, Appointments, Reappointments, Confirmations, and Committee, Panel and Liaison Appointments
 - 3) Administrative Matters
 - 4) Election of Officers
 - 5) Appointment of Liaisons and Alternates
 - 6) Delegation of Authorities
 - 7) Education and Examination Matters
 - 8) Credentialing Matters
 - 9) Practice Matters
 - 10) Public Health Emergencies
 - 11) Legislative and Policy Matters
 - 12) Administrative Rule Matters
 - 13) Liaison Reports
 - 14) Board Liaison Training and Appointment of Mentors
 - 15) Informational Items
 - 16) Division of Legal Services and Compliance (DLSC) Matters
 - 17) Presentations of Petitions for Summary Suspension
 - 18) Petitions for Designation of Hearing Examiner
 - 19) Presentation of Stipulations, Final Decisions and Orders
 - 20) Presentation of Proposed Final Decisions and Orders
 - 21) Presentation of Interim Orders
 - 22) Petitions for Re-Hearing
 - 23) Petitions for Assessments
 - 24) Petitions to Vacate Orders
 - 25) Requests for Disciplinary Proceeding Presentations
 - 26) Motions
 - 27) Petitions
 - 28) Appearances from Requests Received or Renewed
 - 29) Speaking Engagements, Travel, or Public Relation Requests, and Reports
- P. Public Comments**

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION to deliberate on cases following hearing (s. 19.85(1)(a), Stats.); to consider licensure or certification of individuals (s. 19.85(1)(b), Stats.); to consider closing disciplinary investigations with administrative warnings (ss. 19.85(1)(b), and 448.02(8), Stats.); to consider individual histories or disciplinary data (s. 19.85(1)(f), Stats.); and to confer with legal counsel (s. 19.85(1)(g), Stats.).

Q. Deliberation on DLSC Matters

- 1) Proposed Stipulations, Final Decisions and Orders**
 - a. 21 MED 233 – Jonathan J. Brodie, M.D. **(14-19)**
 - b. 21 MED 547 – Robert J. Gould, M.D. **(20-25)**
 - c. 22 MED 131 – Joshua G. Arehart, M.D. **(26-32)**
 - d. 23 MED 213 – Shaista Shaik, M.D. **(33-38)**
 - e. 23 MED 324 – Crystal M. Cunningham, M.D. **(39-45)**
- 2) Complaints**
 - a. 23 MED 088 – C.D. **(46-80)**
- 3) Administrative Warnings**
 - a. 23 MED 344 – I.A. **(81-83)**
- 4) Case Closings**
 - a. 21 MED 525 – V.C. **(84-90)**
 - b. 22 MED 264 – S.K. & J.H. **(91-95)**
 - c. 22 MED 291 – V.K.C. **(96-101)**
 - d. 22 MED 302 – S.J.D. **(102-116)**
 - e. 22 MED 381 – D.J.W. **(117-130)**
 - f. 22 MED 413 – M.E. **(131-135)**
 - g. 22 MED 419 – J.C.R. **(136-143)**
 - h. 22 MED 519 – U. **(144-150)**
 - i. 23 MED 013 – D.F.L. **(151-158)**
 - j. 23 MED 136 – J.A.S. **(159-169)**
 - k. 23 MED 295 – A.K. **(170-173)**
 - l. 23 MED 319 – J.M.W. & D.L.G. **(174-184)**
 - m. 23 MED 402 – H.A.R. **(185-192)**
- 5) Petition for Authorization to Request Extension of Time**
 - a. 22 MED 519 – U. **(193-200)**

R. Deliberation on Matters Relating to Order Fixing Costs

- 1) Carol M. Brown, D.O. (DHA Case number SPS-21-0023/DLSC Case Number 18 MED 486) **(201-295)**

S. Deliberation on Proposed Final Decision and Orders

- 1) Siamak B. Arassi, M.d., Respondent (DHA Case Number SPS-23-0044/DLSC Case Number 23 MED 139) **(296-307)**

T. Credentialing Matters

- 1) Waiver of 24 Months of ACGME/AOA Accredited Post-Graduate Training**
 - a. Ahmed Elakkad, M.D. **(308-384)**
 - b. Maryam Najjar, M.D. **(385-500)**
- 2) Application Review**
 - a. Joseph Verzwylt, M.D. – Medicine and Surgery Renewal Applicant **(501-545)**

U. Deliberation of Items Added After Preparation of the Agenda

- 1) Education and Examination Matters

- 2) Credentialing Matters
- 3) DLSC Matters
- 4) Monitoring Matters
- 5) Professional Assistance Procedure (PAP) Matters
- 6) Petitions for Summary Suspensions
- 7) Petitions for Designation of Hearing Examiner
- 8) Proposed Stipulations, Final Decisions and Order
- 9) Proposed Interim Orders
- 10) Administrative Warnings
- 11) Review of Administrative Warnings
- 12) Proposed Final Decisions and Orders
- 13) Matters Relating to Costs/Orders Fixing Costs
- 14) Complaints
- 15) Case Closings
- 16) Board Liaison Training
- 17) Petitions for Extension of Time
- 18) Petitions for Assessments and Evaluations
- 19) Petitions to Vacate Orders
- 20) Remedial Education Cases
- 21) Motions
- 22) Petitions for Re-Hearing
- 23) Appearances from Requests Received or Renewed

V. Open Cases

W. Consulting with Legal Counsel

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

X. Vote on Items Considered or Deliberated Upon in Closed Session if Voting is Appropriate

Y. Open Session Items Noticed Above Not Completed in the Initial Open Session

Z. Delegation of Ratification of Examination Results and Ratification of Licenses and Certificates

ADJOURNMENT

ORAL INTERVIEWS OF CANDIDATES FOR LICENSURE

VIRTUAL/TELECONFERENCE

10:00 A.M. OR IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE FULL BOARD TRAINING

CLOSED SESSION – Reviewing Applications and Conducting Oral Interview(s) of **four (4)** (at time of agenda publication) Candidate(s) for Licensure – **Dr. Schmeling** and **Dr. Siebert**

NEXT MEETING: JANUARY 17, 2024

MEETINGS AND HEARINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, AND MAY BE CANCELLED WITHOUT NOTICE.

Times listed for meeting items are approximate and depend on the length of discussion and voting. All meetings are held virtually unless otherwise indicated. In-person meetings are typically conducted at 4822

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**VIRTUAL/TELECONFERENCE
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 15, 2023**

PRESENT: Milton Bond, Jr.; Clarence Chou, M.D.; Callisia Clarke, M.D. (*arrived at 9:14 a.m.*); Kris Ferguson, M.D. (*excused at 8:32 a.m.*); Diane Gerlach, D.O.; Sumeet Goel, D.O.; Stephanie Hilton; Carmen Lerma; Steven Leuthner, M.D.; Lubna Majeed-Haqqi, M.D.; Gregory Schmeling, M.D.; Derrick Siebert, M.D. (*arrived 8:06 a.m.*); Emily Yu, M.D.

STAFF: Tom Ryan, Executive Director; Jameson Whitney, Legal Counsel; Nilajah Hardin, Administrative Rules Coordinator; Dialah Azam, Board Administration Specialist; and other Department staff

CALL TO ORDER

Clarence Chou, Vice Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. A quorum was confirmed with ten (10) members present.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Diane Gerlach moved, seconded by Kris Ferguson, to adopt the Agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER 18, 2023

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Milton Bond Jr., to approve the Minutes of October 18, 2023 as published. Motion carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chairperson

NOMINATION: Callisia Clarke nominated Gregory Schmeling for the Office of Chairperson. Schmeling accepted the nomination.

NOMINATION: Sumeet Goel nominated Clarence Chou for the Office of Chairperson. Chou accepted the nomination.

Tom Ryan, Executive Director, called for nominations three (3) times.

Secret Ballot Vote

Clarence Chou was elected as Chairperson by majority blind ballot vote.

Vice Chairperson

NOMINATION: Derrick Siebert nominated Gregory Schmeling for the Office of Vice Chairperson. Schmeling accepted the nomination.

NOMINATION: Kris Ferguson nominated Sumeet Goel for the Office of Vice Chairperson. Goel accepted the nomination.

Tom Ryan, Executive Director, called for nominations three (3) times.

Secret Ballot Vote

Sumeet Goel was elected as Chairperson by majority blind ballot vote.

Secretary

NOMINATION: Sumeet Goel nominated Kris Ferguson for the Office of Secretary. Ferguson accepted the nomination.

NOMINATION: Stephanie Hilton nominated Gregory Schmeling for the Office of Secretary. Schmeling accepted the nomination.

Tom Ryan, Executive Director, called for nominations three (3) times.

Secret Ballot Vote

Gregory Schmeling was elected as Chairperson by majority blind ballot vote.

ELECTION RESULTS	
Chairperson	Clarence Chou
Vice Chairperson	Sumeet Goel
Secretary	Gregory Schmeling

(Kris Ferguson excused at 8:32 a.m.)

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Lubna Majeed-Haqqi, to convene to Closed Session to deliberate on cases following hearing (§ 19.85(1)(a), Stats.); to consider licensure or certification of individuals (§ 19.85(1)(b), Stats.); to consider closing disciplinary investigations with administrative warnings (§ 19.85(1)(b), Stats. and § 448.02(8), Stats.); to consider individual histories or disciplinary data (§ 19.85(1)(f), Stats.); and to confer with legal counsel (§ 19.85(1)(g), Stats.). Clarence Chou, Chairperson, read the language of the motion aloud for the record. The vote of each member was ascertained by voice vote. Roll Call Vote: Milton Bond, Jr.-yes; Clarence Chou-yes; Diane Gerlach-yes; Sumeet Goel-yes; Stephanie Hilton-yes; Carmen Lerma-yes; Steven Leuthner-yes; Lubna Majeed-Haqqi-yes; Gregory Schmeling-yes; Derrick Siebert-yes; and Emily Yu-yes. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board convened into Closed Session at 9:06 a.m.

**DELIBERATION ON DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES AND
COMPLIANCE (DLSC) MATTERS**

Proposed Stipulations, Final Decisions and Orders

22 MED 172 – Lori L. Brooks, M.D.

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Lubna Majeed-Haqqi, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Lori L. Brooks, M.D., DLSC Case Number 22 MED 172. Motion carried unanimously.

(Callisia Clark arrived at 9:14 a.m.)

22 MED 348 – Elissa R. Hellman, M.D.

MOTION: Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Lubna Majeed-Haqqi, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Elissa R. Hellman, M.D., DLSC Case Number 22 MED 348. Motion carried unanimously.

22 MED 405 – Srivathsa C. Veeraraghavan, M.D.

MOTION: Emily Yu moved, seconded by Carmen Lerma, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Srivathsa C. Veeraraghavan, M.D., DLSC Case Number 22 MED 405. Motion carried unanimously.

23 MED 151 – Andrew C. Pahl, M.D.

MOTION: Steven Leuthner moved, seconded by Stephanie Hilton, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Andrew C. Pahl, M.D., DLSC Case Number 23 MED 151. Motion carried unanimously.

23 MED 218 – Victoria M. Jakel, M.D.

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Diane Gerlach, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Victoria M. Jakel, M.D., DLSC Case Number 23 MED 218. Motion carried unanimously.

23 MED 247 – Peter A. Karth, M.D.

MOTION: Emily Yu moved, seconded by Steven Leuthner, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary

proceedings against Peter A. Karth, M.D., DLSC Case Number 23 MED 247. Motion carried unanimously.

Complaints

20 MED 406 – L.K.S.

MOTION: Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Gregory Schmeling, to find probable cause in DLSC Case Number 20 MED 406, to believe that L.K.S. has committed unprofessional conduct, and therefore, to issue the Complaint and hold a hearing on such conduct pursuant to Wis. Stat§ 448.02(3)(b). Motion carried unanimously.

Administrative Warnings

22 MED 100 – M.R.R.

MOTION: Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Lubna Majeed-Haqqi, to issue an Administrative Warning in the matter of M.R.R., DLSC Case Number 22 MED 100. Motion carried unanimously.

23 MED 063 – N.K.

MOTION: Steven Leuthner moved, seconded by Emily Yu, to issue an Administrative Warning in the matter of N.K., DLSC Case Number 23 MED 063. Motion carried unanimously.

23 MED 153 – D.J.B.

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Steven Leuthner, to issue an Administrative Warning in the matter of D.J.B., DLSC Case Number 23 MED 153. Motion carried unanimously.

Case Closings

MOTION: Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Diane Gerlach, to close the following DLSC Cases for the reasons outlined below:

1. 21 MED 243 – E.D.A. – No Violation
2. 22 MED 148 – R.B.H. – No Violation
3. 22 MED 222 – Unknown – No Violation
4. 22 MED 362 – J.R.M. – No Violation
5. 22 MED 365 – C.K.S. – No Violation
6. 22 MED 445 – B.A.W. – Prosecutorial Discretion (P5)
7. 22 MED 499 – J.J.S. – No Violation
8. 23 MED 050 – M.M.N. & A.C.F. – No Violation
9. 23 MED 063 – D.T.M. – No Violation
10. 23 MED 083 – T.K.B. & E.S.W. – No Violation
11. 23 MED 189 – M.P.S. – Insufficient Evidence
12. 23 MED 220 – M.J.S. – No Violation
13. 23 MED 277 – G.A.G. – Insufficient Evidence

Motion carried unanimously.

21 MED 477 – A.J.

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Steven Leuthner, to close DLSC Case Number 21 MED 477, against A.J., for Prosecutorial Discretion (P5). Motion carried unanimously.

CREDENTIALING MATTERS

Full Board Oral Interview

Abdulrahman Rageh, M.D. – Waiver of 24 Months of ACGME/AOA Accredited Post-Graduate Training

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Sumeet Goel, to approve the waiver of 24 Months of ACGME/AOA Accredited Post-Graduate Training application of Abdulrahman Rageh, M.D. Motion carried unanimously.

Waiver of 24 Months of ACGME/AOA Accredited Post-Graduate Training

Yi Tang, M.D.

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Emily Yu, to approve the waiver of 24 Months of ACGME/AOA Accredited Post-Graduate Training application of Yi Tang, M.D., and to approve the Medicine and Surgery application of Yi Tang M.D., once all requirements are met. Motion carried unanimously.

Application Review

Brenda Blohm, M.D. – Medicine and Surgery Renewal Applicant

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Diane Gerlach, to require Brenda Blohm to submit to a Fitness to Practice evaluation with an evaluator approved by the Board or its designee within 30 days and prior to further action on her renewal application, and to refer this matter to DLSC intake for investigation. Motion carried unanimously.

Jan Fraessdorf, M.D.– Visiting Physician Applicant

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Sumeet Goel, to approve the Visiting Physician application of Jan Fraessdorf, once all requirements are met. Motion carried unanimously.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Lubna Majeed-Haqqi, to reconvene to Open Session. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 10:55 a.m.

VOTE ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED UPON IN CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Gregory Schmeling, to affirm all motions made and votes taken in Closed Session. Motion carried unanimously.

(Be advised that any recusals or abstentions reflected in the closed session motions stand for the purposes of the affirmation vote.)

**DELEGATION OF RATIFICATION OF EXAMINATION RESULTS AND
RATIFICATION OF LICENSES AND CERTIFICATES**

MOTION: Sumeet Goel moved, seconded by Emily Yu, to delegate ratification of examination results to DSPS staff and to ratify all licenses and certificates as issued. Motion carried unanimously.


ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Gregory Schmeling moved, seconded by Sumeet Goel, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.

**State of Wisconsin
Department of Safety & Professional Services**

AGENDA REQUEST FORM

1) Name and title of person submitting the request: Nilajah Hardin, Administrative Rules Coordinator		2) Date when request submitted: 12/06/23 Items will be considered late if submitted after 12:00 p.m. on the deadline date which is 8 business days before the meeting	
3) Name of Board, Committee, Council, Sections: Medical Examining Board			
4) Meeting Date: 12/20/23	5) Attachments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	6) How should the item be titled on the agenda page? Administrative Rule Matters – Discussion and Consideration 1. Pending or Possible Rulemaking Projects a. Rule Projects Chart	
7) Place Item in: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open Session <input type="checkbox"/> Closed Session	8) Is an appearance before the Board being scheduled? <i>(If yes, please complete Appearance Request for Non-DSPS Staff)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	9) Name of Case Advisor(s), if required: N/A	
10) Describe the issue and action that should be addressed: Attachments: Rule Project Chart (Board Rule projects can be Viewed Here if Needed: https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/RulesStatutes/PendingRules.aspx)			
11) Authorization			
		12/06/23	
Signature of person making this request		Date	
Supervisor (if required)		Date	
Executive Director signature (indicates approval to add post agenda deadline item to agenda) Date			
Directions for including supporting documents: 1. This form should be attached to any documents submitted to the agenda. 2. Post Agenda Deadline items must be authorized by a Supervisor and the Policy Development Executive Director. 3. If necessary, provide original documents needing Board Chairperson signature to the Bureau Assistant prior to the start of a meeting.			

**Medical Examining Board
Rule Projects (updated 12/06/23)**

Clearinghouse Rule Number	Scope #	Scope Expiration	Code Chapter Affected	Relating clause (description)	Current Stage	Next Step
Not Assigned Yet	Not Assigned Yet	TBD	Med 24	Telemedicine and Telehealth	Scope Statement Pending Approval by Governor	Submission of Scope Statement for Publication in Administrative Register
23-037 (EmR 2308)	044-22	11/23/2024	Med 26	Military Medical Personnel	Legislative Review (Emergency Rule 2308 was effective 6/1/23-12/1/23)	Board Review of Adoption Order at a Future Meeting