

# Georgia Board for Physician Workforce

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## Georgia Board for Physician Workforce Meeting Minutes

Thursday April 19, 2018  
8:35 a.m.

Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM)  
625 Old Peachtree Road NW  
Suwanee, GA 30024

### **Board Members Present:**

Mark Hanly, M.D.; Antonio Rios, M.D.; Jacinto Del Mazo, M.D.; Terri McFadden-Garden, M.D.; David Kay, M.D.; Scott Bohlke, M.D.; Thomas Hatchett, M.D.; Steven Gautney, MHA; Indran Indrkrishnan, M.D.; William Kemp,

### **Staff Present:**

LaSharn Hughes; Daniel Dorsey; Janice Campbell; Tommy Kelly; Freeman Montaque; Yvette Speight; Andrea Pass; Penny Hannah, Georgia Department of Law (teleconference)

### **Guests Present:**

John Bucholtz, MD MEAC; R. Bryan Ginn, Jr., Chief Officer-PCOM; Marilane Bond, Emory School of Medicine; Betsy Bates, Morehouse School of Medicine; Margie Miller, Augusta University; Mark Sanders, Hugh Sosebee Jr, Mercer University School of Medicine; Laura Bland, Mercer University School of Medicine; Dr. Jean Sumner, Michael Sampson, Associate Dean of Clinical Education, PCOM; Joseph Hobbs, M.D. Medical College of Georgia at Augusta University, Alan Dever, M.D., PhD.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Rios called the Board Meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

On Motion (**Hanly/Indrkrishnan**), the Board unanimously approved the Agenda of the April 19, 2018 meeting.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. William Kemp presented the minutes from the January 25, 2018 meeting for approval.

On Motion (**Bohlke/Gautney**), the Board unanimously approved the minutes from January 25, 2018 and the March 6, 2018 Conference Call minutes.

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## **Introductions**

Dr. Rios thanked PCOM for hosting the Board meeting. He introduced R. Bryan Ginn, Jr, Chief Officer of PCOM, who spoke about the 3.5 million clinical simulation on the PCOM campus. He also announced a new PCOM campus opening in rural Moultrie, GA.

Dr. Michael Sampson, DO, Associate Dean Clinical Education, spoke about Trauma Day, in which the campus reenacts emergency situations. He welcomed the Board, other schools present and asked the group to participate.

Kyle Altman, medical student, spoke highly of the PCOM campus programs.

Dr. Indran Indrakrishnan complimented the PCOM campus on its exemplary quality teaching to future doctors. He has been pleased with the quality of students that rotated through his practice.

## **BOARD BUSINESS**

### **Chairman's Report**

Dr. Rios announced there are still three vacancies on the Board. The next Board meeting is July 26, 2018 at 2 Peachtree Street location.

Dr. Indrakrishnan announced he is a candidate for the general assembly in District 9.

### **Executive Report**

Ms. Hughes thanked PCOM for hosting the Board meeting. She spoke of the Composite Medical Board and Georgia Board for Physician Workforce move to the 6<sup>th</sup> floor and acknowledged Mr. Montaque for coordinating the transition. Board meetings will now be held on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor.

Ms. Hughes recognized Dr. Bucholtz for his achievement in receiving the National Award for Outstanding Family Residency Program Director.

## **REPORTS/FACT SHEETS**

Ms. Hart presented the Medical School Operating Grant and the Medical Student Capitation outcomes surveys reports.

Ms. Pass presented the Composite results reports for information to the Board.

On **Motion (Bohlke/McFadden)**, the Board unanimously approved the reports for publishing.

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## **External Affairs Report**

Mr. Dorsey informed the Board of the outcome of the last opportunity fair for the Fiscal Year, which was in March. He has started collecting data to gauge the impact and the effectiveness of the fairs. Legislative review: House Bill 769 was passed and the impact it will have on the Board.

Mr. Dorsey also reported on the following:

### **Johnny Bonner, MD**

Mr. Dorsey spoke about information provided to verify Dr. Johnny Bonner's employment. Dr. Bonner's current and former places of employment are not approve counties.

On **Motion (Hanley/Del Mazo)**, the Board unanimously approved the amount of the Loan Repayment due.

### **Jeffrey Dowis- MD**

Requested an adjustment in his hours regarding his clinical practice.

On **Motion (Hanly/Hatchett)**, the Board unanimously approved the repayment proposal.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Dr. Shahin Zohoori is no longer an eligible candidate due to loss of employment. He sent a correspondence appealing his denial of his loan repayment application. Dr. Zohoori based his appeal on the fact that he worked for two years in a rural area and should be compensated for the time with his former employer.

On **Motion (Gautney/Kay)**, the Board unanimously voted to uphold the decision to deny Dr. Zohoori's application for loan repayment.

## **BUDGET**

Mr. Montaque discussed the FY'19 Budget passed by the Legislature, which is waiting for the Governor's signature. He provided a breakdown of the budget information for each program. He noted that there are 99 residency slots that have been funded.

On **Motion (Rios/Hanly)**, the Board unanimously approved the budget report.

**Margie Miller- Augusta University**

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Ms. Miller provided information from HB 684 which provides for new fellowship positions at Augusta University in Vision; Retinal and Glaucoma, Cancer: Gynecological Oncology, Neurology: Alzheimer's Disease and Stroke/Vascular, and Aging.

## **STRATEGIC PLAN**

Ms. Hughes discussed the draft strategic plan with the Board and asked for input. The Board asked her to develop a SWOT Analysis for the Board by the next meeting.

## **Loan Repayment**

### **Physicians for Rural Areas Assistance Loan Repayment Program**

Ms. Speight presented new applicant Dr. Cassandra Wilson, who met the qualifications for the loan repayment award.

On **Motion (Kay/Kemp)**, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation for the loan repayment award to the applicant.

## **Scholarship Deferment**

Lynda Greene- haven't been successful in passing her examination, which will allow her to return to school to complete her obligation.

On **Motion (Bohlke/Hanly)**, the Board unanimously voted to invite Ms. Lynda Green to appear for an interview with the Board.

## **Practice Approval Request**

Shanda Newsome- requested approval to work at Lee Medical Center, Leesburg, Georgia.

On **Motion (Hanly/Hatchett)**, the Board unanimously approved the request.

## **RULES**

Ms. Hughes discussed Rule 195-12-.01, regarding the 35,000 rule changing to 50,000.

On Motion (Hanley/Hatchett), the Board unanimously approved to post the Rule for comment.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held in July 26, 2018- 2 Peachtree Street, SW- 5<sup>th</sup> Floor

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Motion Mr. Gautney seconded Dr. Hatchet to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Antonio Rios, MD  
Chairman

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Executive Director

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William Kemp, MBA  
Secretary Treasurer

Recorded by:

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Janice Campbell  
Board Secretary