

MINUTES
Credentials Committee Meeting
Florida Board of Medicine
Rosen Centre Hotel
Tampa International Airport
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To accommodate individuals required to appear before the Committee, the Chairman adjusted the sequence of the agenda items. The minutes reflect the actual sequence of events rather than the original agenda order.

Dr. Michael Chizner called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Those present included the following:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Michael Chizner, M.D., Chairman
Administrator
Robert Cline, M.D.
Onelia Lage, M.D.

STAFF PRESENT:

Chandra Prine, Program Operations

BOARD COUNSEL:

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PERSONAL APPEARANCES

9:00 a.m.

MICHAEL CHIZNER, M.D. — LED THE DISCUSSION ON TABS 1-10

Tab 1 Saeed Shahzad, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Failure to disclose probation and resignation from Caritas Saint Elizabeth Medical Center on the licensure application.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for licensure with the condition of a corrected application page and a \$1,000.00 fine. Dr. Lage seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve licensure with the condition of a corrected application page and a \$1,000.00 fine.

Tab 2 Craig A. Fredericks, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Request to withdraw the licensure application.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to allow Dr. Fredericks to withdraw his application for licensure. Dr. Lage seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to allow Dr. Fredericks to withdraw his application for licensure.

Tab 3 Shahid B. Meer, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Action against Texas and New Jersey medical licenses.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Lage seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the applicant for licensure.

Tab 5 Paul D. Ellis, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Postgraduate training and prior conviction.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Lage seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the applicant for licensure.

Tab 5A Asad Raza, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Petition for Wavier or Variance of rule 64B8-4.018(4), F.A.C.

Represented by Frank P. Rainer, Esq.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, a motion was made, seconded and carried 3/0 to deny the Petition for Wavier or Variance. After further discussion Dr. Cline made motion to allow the applicant to withdraw the licensure application. Dr. Lage seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to deny the Petition for Wavier or Variance and to allow the applicant to withdraw the licensure application.

Tab 5B Peter A. Rubin, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Action by the Massachusetts State Medical Board.

Represented by Allen Grossman, Esq.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Lage seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Tab 5C Jyoti S. Kalra, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Consider request for Petition for Variance/Waiver of Rule 64B8-2.001(2),F.A.C.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Lage made a

motion to approve the Petition for Waiver or Variance. Dr. Cline seconded the motion, which carried 3/0. After further discussion Dr. Lage made motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Cline seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the Petition for Waiver or Variance and to approve the application for licensure.

Tab 6 Udy Kumar, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Training requirement pursuant to section 458.311(1)(f)3.C.,F.S. and 64B-4.004(2), F.A.C.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Lage seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the applicant for licensure.

Tab 7 Maria C. Manzanares, M.D. – Examination

Issue(s) Training requirement pursuant to section 458.311(1)(f)3.C.,F.S. and 64B-4.004(2), F.A.C.

Represented by Allen Grossman, Esq.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Lage made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Cline seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Tab 9 Alexandra Taylor, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Practice requirement pursuant to section 458.313(1)(c), F.S.

The applicant was present. After discussion, Dr. Cline made motion to approve the application for licensure with the condition of direct supervision for one year. Dr. Lage seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure with the condition of direct supervision for one year.

Tab 10 Lawrence S. Wilson, M.D. – Examination

Issue(s) Positive response to questions 16b, 16d, 16e, 24, 29, 31, 33, 34, and 36 on the licensure application.

Accompanied by Judy Rivenbark, M.D., Assistant Medical Director, Professionals Resource Network

The applicant was present. After discussion, Dr. Cline made motion to approve the application for licensure with the condition of direct supervision for one year. Dr. Lage seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure with the condition of direct supervision for one year.

Tab 11 Adam D. LeRoy, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Positive response to questions 12b, 12c, 13b, 33 and 34 of the licensure application.

Accompanied by Judy Rivenbark, M.D., Assistant Medical Director, Professionals Resource Network

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Lage made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Cline seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the applicant for licensure.

ONELIA LAGE, M.D. — LED THE DISCUSSION ON TABS 12-16

Tab 12 Samuel M. Rosati, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Previous Florida license application, conviction of false claims against the United States (Health Care Fraud) and action against New York and Pennsylvania state medical licenses.

Represented by Allen Grossman, Esq.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Tab 14 Joseph M. Capo, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Restriction on staff privileges at New York Eye and Ear Infirmary and malpractice cases.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Tab 15 Frederick A. Rapoport, M.D. – Examination

Issue(s) Licensure action in New York and Massachusetts

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Tab 16 Jerome C. Carolino, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Action taken against New Jersey Medical License

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Chizner made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Cline seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

ROBERT CLINE, M.D. – LED THE DISCUSSION ON TABS 17-21 & 29-36

Tab 17 Chunming Dong, M.D. – Medical Faculty Certificate

Issue(s) Training requirements pursuant to section 458.3145(1)(d), F.S.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Chizner made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Lage seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Tab 18 Madgy M. Girgis, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Resignation from University of Missouri-Kansas City and failure to meet the practice requirement pursuant to section 458.313(1)(c), F.S.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Lage made a motion to allow Dr. Girgis to withdraw his application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to allow Dr. Girgis to withdraw his application for licensure.

Tab 19 Kenneth S. Weiss, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Surrender of Michigan License

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Chizner made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Lage seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Tab 20 Alex M. Barrocas, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Less than favorable evaluation and probation at Massachusetts General Hospital

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Lage made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Tab 21 Miami Rescue Mission – Request to Approve as a Area of Critical Need Facility

Issue(s) Approval by the board pursuant to section 458.317(1)2(d):

Ronald Brummitt, President of Miami Rescue Mission and Pete A. Gutierrez, MD, site physician were requested to appear before the Committee to discuss the request for approval. Mr. Brummitt and Dr. Gutierrez were not present. A motion was made and seconded to table until the next meeting,

ACTION: the Committee voted to table the request for approval.

ONELIA LAGE, M.D. — LED THE DISCUSSION ON TABS 22-29

Tab 22 Mariano M. Martinez, P.A., M.D. – Area of Critical Need

Issue(s) Past discipline on the Florida Physician Assistant license.

Represented by Allen Grossman, Esq.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Tab 23 Andrew J. Appel, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Training requirement pursuant to section 458.311(1)(f)3.c., F.S. and rule 64B8.4004(2) F.A.C.

The applicant was not present. A motion was made and seconded to table the application at the next scheduled meeting of the Committee, which carried 5/0. .

ACTION: the Committee voted to table the application until the next meeting.

Tab 24 Jesse Balseiro, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Training requirements pursuant to section 458.313(1)(c), F.S.

The applicant was present. After discussion, Dr. Cline made motion to approve the application for licensure with the condition of direct supervision for one year. Dr, Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure with the condition of direct supervision for one year.

Tab 25 Peter K. Harman, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Practice requirements pursuant to section 458.313(1)(c), F.S. and positive response to questions 16e, 16d, 35 and 36.

Represented by Allen Grossman, Esq.
Accompanied by Judy Rivenbark, M.D., Assistant Medical Director, Professionals Resource Network

The applicant was present. After discussion, Dr. Cline made motion to approve the application for licensure with the condition of direct supervision for one year. Dr, Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure with the condition of direct supervision for one year.

Tab 26 David R. Ware, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Positive response to questions 12b, 13c, 17d, 29, 30 and consent order with the Kansas Board

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, the applicant waived the 90 days for the Board to act on the application. Dr. Cline made a motion to table the application and require the applicant to have a PRN evaluation and reappear before the

Committee. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to table the application and require the applicant to have a PRN evaluation and reappear before the Committee.

Tab 27 Saied Talaie, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Petition for Variance or Waiver of rule 64B8-4.009(5), F.A.C., and failure to disclose liability claims or actions on licensure application.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to table the application and allow him to file his Petition in the proper format. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0. The applicant waived the 90 days for the Board to act on both the petition for variance and waiver and on the application.

ACTION: the Committee voted to table the application and to allow him to file his Petition in the proper format.

Tab 28 Antonio C. Bianco, M.D. – Medical Faculty Certificate

Issue(s) Postgraduate Training is equivalent to the 1 year residency requirement pursuant to section 458.3145, F.S.

Represented by Allen Grossman, Esq.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Tab 29 Clara I. Roman, M.D. – Examination

Issue(s) Petition for Variance or Waiver of Rule 64B8-4.018, F.A.C.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the Petition for Wavier or Variance. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0. After further discussion Dr. Cline made motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the Petition for Waiver or Variance and to approve the application for licensure.

ROBERT CLINE, M.D. – LED THE DISCUSSION FOR TABS 30-36

Tab 30 Christopher J. Smith, M.D. – Examination

Issue(s) Petition for Variance or Waiver of Rule 64B8-4.018, F.A.C.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Lage made a motion to approve the Petition for Wavier or Variance. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0. After further discussion Dr. Lage made motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the Petition for Waiver or Variance and to approve the application for licensure.

Tab 31 Randa M. Sawan, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Medical education, postgraduate training, employment at Valley Ambulatory Surgery Center and California licensure application.

Represented by Monica Rodriguez, Esq.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Tab 32 Jeffrey M. Greenburg, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Default status on student loans and failure to disclose postgraduate training at Lincoln Medical and Mental Health Center.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Lage made a motion to table the application and to allow the applicant to reappear when he can present documentation that he has a repayment plan for his student loans. The applicant waived the 90-day requirement for the board to act on the application.

ACTION: the Committee voted to table the application and to allow the applicant to reappear when he can present documentation that he has a repayment plan for his student loans.

Tab 33 Jeffrey D. Morgan, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Postgraduate Training at Tulane University and staff privileges action.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Chizner made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Lage seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Tab 34 Richard A. Klimas, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Positive response to questions 26d, 17d, 24, 33 and 34 on licensure application.

Accompanied by Judy Rivenbark, M.D., Assistant Medical Director, Professionals Resource Network

The applicant was present. After discussion, Dr. Lage made motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Tab 35 Rania K. Hamvas, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Action against Georgia, North Carolina and Pennsylvania Medical licenses, positive response to questions 30, 31, and 33 on the licensure application.

Represented by Allen Grossman, Esq.

Accompanied by Judy Rivenbark, M.D., Assistant Medical Director, Professionals Resource

Network

The applicant was present. After discussion, Dr. Lage made motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Tab 36 Surbhi Jain, P.A., M.D. – Examination

Issue(s) Training requirement pursuant to section 458.311(1)(f)3.c.,F.S.

Represented by Allen Grossman, Esq.

The applicant was present. After discussion, Dr. Lage made motion to approve the application. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Tab 37 Odean M. Severseike, M.D. – Limited License

Issue(s) Lack of practice since 2000 pursuant to section 458.317(1)(c), F.S.

The applicant was not present. A motion was made and seconded to table the application at the next scheduled meeting of the Committee, which carried 5/0. .

ACTION: the Committee voted to table the application until the next meeting.

INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATIONS

Tab 38 Good Samaritan Health Clinic of Pasco, Inc. – New Port Richey – Area of Critical Need Facility

Issue(s) Ratification of Temporary approval as an area of critical need facility.

A motion was made and seconded to ratify Good Samaritan Health Clinic of Pasco, Inc. – New Port Richey facility as an Area of Critical Need

ACTION: the Committee voted to ratify Good Samaritan Health Clinic of Pasco, Inc. – New Port Richey facility as an Area of Critical Need

Tab 39 Good Samaritan Health Clinic of Pasco, Inc. – Deland – Area of Critical Need Facility

Issue(s) Ratification of Temporary approval as an area of critical need facility.

A motion was made and seconded to ratify Good Samaritan Health Clinic of Pasco, Inc. – Deland as an Area of Critical Need facility.

ACTION: the Committee voted to ratify Good Samaritan Health Clinic of Pasco, Inc. – Deland as an Area of Critical Need facility.

Tab 40 La Clinic Guadalupana – Clearwater – Area of Critical Need Facility

Issue(s) Ratification of Temporary approval as an area of critical need facility

A motion was made and seconded to ratify La Clinic Guadalupana – Clearwater as an Area of

Critical Need facility

ACTION: the Committee voted to ratify La Clinic Guadalupana – Clearwater as an Area of Critical Need facility

Tab 8 Alvaro J. Sanchez, M.D. – Examination

Issue(s) Training requirements pursuant to section 458.311(1)(f)3.c.,F.S. and rule 64B8-4.004(2) F.A.C.

The applicant was present. After discussion, Dr. Lage made motion to approve the application. Dr, Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

ACTION: the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Tab 4 Aric Doanes, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Failure to disclose probation at Erie County Medical Center on the licensure application.

The applicant was not present. A motion was made and seconded to table the application at the next scheduled meeting of the Committee, which carried 5/0. .

ACTION: the Committee voted to table the application until the next meeting.

Tab 13 Phillip M. Bruner, M.D. – Endorsement

Issue(s) Past discipline against previous Florida license, positive response to questions 33, 36 and staff privileges at Monroe Regional Medical Center.

The applicant was not present. A motion was made and seconded to table the application until the next scheduled meeting of the Committee, which carried 5/0. .

ACTION: the Committee voted to table the application until the next meeting.

Tab 41 Approval of Revised Allopathic Physician Applications, Draft Amended Language to Rules 64B8-4.009 and Rule 64B8-1.007, F.A.C.

A motion was made and seconded to approve all proposed revisions to the MD licensure applications and the amended language to rules, 64B8-4.009 and 64B8-1.007, F.A.C. The motion carried 3/0. A motion was made and seconded for both rules that there is no impact on small business and therefore no requirement for a statement of estimated regulatory costs. The motion carried 3/0.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 1:48 p.m.