

NC State Board of Chiropractic Examiners



BOARD MEETING

Held via Zoom Call

July 24, 2020 10AM-12:30 PM

Minutes

NOTE: SL 2020-3 Conducting Remote Meetings during a Declaration of Emergency was reviewed and implemented

1. Dr. Ayres called the meeting to order at 10AM
All Members of the board were present as well as Mr. Nichols, Dr. Siragusa, Lisa Hicks-Jones, John Riggleman. A quorum was present and Dr. Ayres read the Conflicts of Interest / Ethics Reminder
2. Dr. Mitchell made a brief statement regarding a recent online article.
3. The minutes of the 6 19 2020 board meeting were **APPROVED**.
4. Ms. Swintosky and Dr. Siragusa gave the Treasurer's Financial report including year-end budget to actual.
5. Dr. Hammer gave a brief summary of the activity of the Discipline committee. Board members were alerted to a potential full board hearing scheduled for December 10-11 and were asked to check their calendars for conflicts.
6. Dr. Outten presented the Education Committee report and made a motion:
MOTION:
Utilizing the authority granted in 21 NCAC 10.0216 Waiver, and after considering the appropriate factors within the rule, the board will keep in place the in-person continuing education requirement [described in 21 NCAC 10.0205(c)] for 2020 and 2021 but will allow approved "live online" continuing education hours to count toward the in-person requirement for 2020 and 2021.
MOTION APPROVED

There was discussion of the hardships placed on graduating doctors who are unable to take Part IV of National Boards. This will be taken up the Legislative Task Force.
7. Dr. Siragusa gave the Executive Director Report:
 - a. Reviewed the move to virtual offices
 - b. Rule Making Timeline and Updates
 - c. Veterinary Board Meeting
 - d. Public Records Requests

- e. Insurance Review and Renewal
- f. Legislative Agenda and Priorities task force to be led by Dr. Ayres

8. Old Business

- i. Dr. Outten described the additional work that needs to be done in the alignment of the CCA and X-ray Tech statutes/rules and plans to work with Dr. Siragusa to present a plan to the board.
- ii. Dr. Sharp discussed the idea of implementing a periodically, mandatory Ethics and Sexual Boundaries CE course. No specific action was taken.

9. New Business

- a. The board discussed the need for an election before the end of the year for Dr. Chavez appointment. He is eligible for re-appointment but an election must be held. The board asked Dr. Siragusa to investigate an option for online voting.
- b. There will be no board sponsored CE hours in October.
- c. Continuity of Care Position Statement was reviewed. Dr. Sharp will edit and submit to board members for review.
- d. Utilizing the authority granted in 21 NCAC 10.0216 Waiver, and after considering the appropriate factors within the rule, the board considered a **MOTION** to Waive Enforcement for 2020 of 21 NCAC 10 .0206 CERTIFICATION OF RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS (a) Definition. The Board shall refer to the terms "radiologic technologist," "x-ray tech," and "x-ray technician" interchangeably to mean "diagnostic imaging technician," as identified in G.S. 90-143.2. (b) Application Procedure. After successful completion of the Certification of Clinical Assistants described in 21 NCAC 10 .0213 and completing the education program described in Paragraph (c) of this Rule, a person desiring certification as a radiologic technologist shall pass a competency examination administered by or under the authority of the Board.
MOTION APPROVED

- e. Retired License Reactivation Criteria re 90-155

"If any licensee of the Board retires from active practice, the licensee may renew his or her license annually by paying the license fee and shall not be required to furnish the Board proof of continuing education; however, if at a later time the licensee desires to resume active practice, the licensee shall first appear before the Board and the Board shall determine the licensee's competency to practice."

This will be considered by the Legislative Task Force

- f. Utilizing the authority granted in 21 NCAC 10.0216 Waiver, and after considering the appropriate factors within the rule, the board considered a **MOTION** to Waive the 180 Day Rule for CCCAs for 2020 of 90-143.4. Chiropractic clinical assistants; certification of competency.
(b) Any person employed as a chiropractic clinical assistant shall obtain a certificate of competency from the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (Board) within 180 days after the person begins employment. Certification shall not be required for employees whose duties are limited to administrative activities of a nonclinical nature. Except as otherwise provided in

G.S. 90-142.1 and this section, it shall be unlawful for any person to practice as a chiropractic clinical assistant unless duly certified by the Board.

MOTION APPROVED

10. The Attorney Report was given by Jack Nichols.

11. Public Comments were heard

12. Dr. Ayres Adjourned the meeting at 12:30

Next Meeting Scheduled for 10/23/2020

Location and Time TBD