

# MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

## MINUTES, Revised January 9, 2025

OCTOBER 17, 2024

HYATT PLACE, 1016 HIGHLAND COLONY PARKWAY, RIDGELAND, MS 39157

In Accordance with MISS. CODE ANN. § 25-41-11 (1)

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### I. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Hoda, chair, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

### II. ROLL CALL

Yvonne Laird provided a roll call with the following present.

David Allen, D.C.

Mary G. Armstrong, M.D.

S. Neely Berry, D.C.

Desmond Hoda, D.C.

B. Tripp Henderson, D.C.

Felicia F. King, D.C.

A quorum was present for voting purposes.

Board representatives present:

Kim Turner, Assistant Attorney General / Counsel for the Board

Eric Hospodor, Special Assistant Attorney General

Yvonne Laird, Executive Secretary

Members of the public present:

Debbie Moore, D.C. – Moore Chiropractic Clinic

### III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Dr. Henderson moved with a second by Dr. Berry to accept the agenda as presented.

The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

### IV. Hearing / Executive Session

#### CLOSED DETERMINATION / EXECUTIVE SESSION

Dr. Armstrong moved to go into a closed session to determine whether an Executive Session was needed. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Dr. Allen moved, seconded by Dr Henderson, that the Board had reason to go into Executive Session pursuant to MISS. CODE ANN. § 25-41-7(4)(d) investigative proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct or violation of law. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Within Executive Session the following action was taken:

#### A. Unlicensed Practice – Certificate Number 2392

Dr. Allen agreed to contact DC licensee 794 to determine if a violation has occurred.

- B. Ownership Status  
Tabled until January 9, 2025.
- C. 2024-2  
Dr. King moved, with a second by Dr. Armstrong, to initiate a contract for investigative services not to exceed \$6,000. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- D. Arkansas Chiropractic Society CE  
Dr. Allen moved, with a second by Dr. King, to approve this continuing education program as it falls under the scope of practice for chiropractors and meets all other requirements for approval and no violations of law have been substantiated. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- E. 2024-4  
Dr. Allen moved, with a second by Dr. King, to take official action and offer a consent agreement and levy a fine of \$500. The vote was, as follows:
 

Aye – David Allen	Aye – Dr. Armstrong
Recused – Dr. Henderson	Aye – Dr. Hoda
Aye – Dr. Berry	Aye – Dr. King

 Motion carried.
- F. 2025-5  
Tabled for further investigation.
- G. Certificate # 165 Extension Request  
Dr. King moved, with a second by Dr. Berry, to deny the request to extend certificate #165. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- H. 2024-9  
Dr. Henderson moved, with a second by Dr. Armstrong, to offer a consent agreement and levy a fine of \$500, due to failure to apply for sponsorship. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Dr. Allen moved to exit Executive Session and return to Open Session. The second was provided by Dr. Henderson. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Dr. Hoda provided the Executive Meeting action taken.

- V. Approval of the Minutes
  - A. Dr. Allen moved, with a second by Dr. Berry, to accept the minutes of July 11, 2024, September 17, 2024, and September 1, 2024, as released. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- VI. Financial Report
  - A. The financial report was presented for information purposes.
- VII. Report of Officers

A. Committee Reports

1. Continuing Education

a. Dr. Berry moved, with a second by Dr. Allen, to accept the recommendations of Dr. King and approve the following continuing education submittals:

Biohackin Biochemistry with Nutritional Interventions; 6 hours; Northeast College of Health Sciences; 2/22/2025, 3/22/2025, 4/5/2025, 4/26/2025, 5/3/2025, 5/31/2025, 8/16/2025, 9/6/2025 and 12/6/2025
Active Release Technique - Lower Extremity Level II; 22.5 hours; Northeast College of Health Sciences; 3/20-23, 2025
Active Release Technique - Spine Level II; 22.5 hours; Northeast College of Health Sciences; 1/23-26, 2025
Active Release Technique - Upper Extremity Level 1; 15 hours; Northeast College of Health Sciences; 1/10-12/2025, 2/21-23/2025 and 3/14-16/2025
Active Release Technique - Spine Level 1; 15 hours; Northeast College of Health Sciences; 1/10-12/2025, 1/24-26/2025, 1/13-2/2/2025, 3/7-9/2025 and 3/28-30/2025
Active Release Technique - Lower Extremity Level 1; 15 hours; Northeast College of Health Sciences; 1/24-26/2025, 1/31-2/2/2025, 2/14-16/2025 and 2/28-3/2/2025
The Craniosacral Therapy for the Modern Office; 12 hours; National University of Health Sciences; 11/2/2024
The Neuropathy Decompression Certificate Class; 8 hours; Life University; 2/22/2025
Healthy Longevity and Chiropractic: The 100 Year Lifestyle Extensive Seminar; 8 hours; Life University; 11/16-17/2024
The NRCME Accredited DOT Medical Examiner Training Program; 8 hours; Northeast College of Health Sciences; 10/18-20/2024
Functional Methylation Hybrid Foundation/Advanced; 12 hours; Logan University; 10/19-20/2024
CPK Symposium Kansas City; 13 hours; Logan University; 11/1-2/2024
Excite Medical Decompression; 12 hours; Northeast College of Health Sciences; 10/18-20/2024
Optimal Practice Symposium: Systemize Your Practice; 9 individual hours; Northeast College of Health Sciences; 10/18-20/2024
Anatomy for Shockwave Users - Beginner Level; 4 hours; Northeast College of Health Sciences; 11/8/2024
CCEP Mod 1 Advanced Principles of TMJ, Ribs & Shoulder Girdle; 15 hours; Life University; 10/12-13/2024
CCEP Mod 2 Upper Extremity; 15 hours; Life University; 11/16-17/2024
CCEP Mod 3 Lower Extremity; 15 hours; Life University; 1/18-19/2025
CCEP Mod 4 Soft Tissue; 15 hours; Life University; 2/15-16/2025
CCEP Mod 5 Rehabilitation; 15 hours; Life University; 3/15-16/2025
CCEP Mod 6 Global; 15 hours; Life University; 4/12-13/2025
CBP Lumbar Rehab; 12 hours; Life University; 11/16-17/2024
Neuroscience of Stress: Redeem Health; 24 hours; Life University; 10/11-13/2024
EPIC Functional Medicine Conference; 12 hours; Logan University; 10/4-6/2024
ProSport Chiropractic 33rd Annual Hands-on Training/Workshop; 7 individual hours; Logan University; 10/3-5/2024
GCA Spring Conference and Trade Show; 20 hours (3 hours Risk Management); Georgia Chiropractic Association; 6/7-9/2024
NetworkSpinal Awaken Care Experience; 22 hours; Sherman College of Chiropractic; 10/25-27/2024
Talsky Tonal Chiropractic Seminar & Workshop; 19 hours; Sherman College of Chiropractic; 11/1-3/2024, 11/15-17/2024 and 10/18-20/2024

Parker Seminars Las Vegas 2024; 13 individual hours (13 CA hours; 3 hours Risk Management; CRT and CR hours available) Parker University; 2/22-24/2024
Diabetes Metabolic Biotransformation & Weight Loss; 8 hours; Northeast College of Health Sciences; 11/16/2024
Anatomy for Shockwave Users - Advance Level; 4 hours; Northeast College of Health Sciences; 11/8/2024

The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

b. Dr. Berry moved, with a second by Dr. Armstrong, to conditionally approve the following pending clearance by CE reviewer:

FOCUS Level II; 12 hours; Sherman College of Chiropractic; 1/10-11/2024
A Chiropractic Winter Getaway in Puerto Rico 2025; 24 hours; Northeast College of Health Sciences; 1/30-2/2/2025.

The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

2. Rules and Regulations

a. Draft Rules

1. Animal Chiropractic Services

Dr. Henderson moved, with a second by Dr. Allen, to file a temporary rule, effective upon filing, to define “direct supervision.” The remaining rules will continue to be reviewed with discussion and consideration at the January 9, 2025, meeting. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

3. Examination

Dr. Berry moved, with a second by Dr. Henderson, to approve for licensure four (4) individuals who had taken and passed the MSBCE jurisprudence examination and met all requirements for licensure:

- David Coleman
- Casey Edmonson
- Elizabeth Plaisted Edmonson
- Amanda Mowery (UROLA – Temporary Practice Permit)

The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

VIII. FCLB / NBCE

A. District Meeting 2024 – District V, Asheville, NC, September 12-15, 2024

Dr. Berry moved, with a second by Dr. Armstrong to authorize twelve (12) CEU hours for board members Dr. Hoda and Dr. King. The vote was, as follows:

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| Aye – David Allen   | Aye – Dr. Armstrong |
| Aye – Dr. Henderson | Recused – Dr. Hoda  |
| Aye – Dr. Berry     | Recused – Dr. King  |

IX. Report of Counsel

Kim Turner, Assistant Attorney General advised the Board that Catherine Bell would be departing the State Agency Division of the Mississippi Attorney General’s Office; therefore, she would serve as the representing board attorney. The Board commended Catherine’s tireless work and dedication to MSBCE.

X. Executive Director's Report

A. License Approvals

Dr. Allen moved, with a second by Dr. Berry, to authorize certification of sixteen (16) chiropractic assistants. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

- B. Dr. Henderson moved, with a second by Dr. King, to accept the CEUs previously taken by DC license 1230 to meet the requirements for reapplication. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

XI. Old Business

No old business to come before the Board.

XII. New Business

A. 2025 Scheduled Board Meetings

The 2025 board meeting schedule was set for January 9, April 10, July 10, and October 9, 2025. These dates will be placed on the website as well as DFA Transparency.

B. System Enhancements – LMS Database

The Executive Secretary will continue to research options for system enhancements to include provisions for rollover of CE's up to two (2) renewal periods and implementing the mandatory requirements that CEs be uploaded when making application for renewal of DCs, CAs, CRTs, and CRs. A manual verification will be performed internally prior to approval of the Office Information Sheet.

C. Requirements for Name Change

Dr. Allen moved, with a second by Dr. Berry, to adopt a policy pursuant to which a license issued will reflect the licensee's name as it appears on the application for licensure. A licensee may request a name change of his/her license upon application therefor, return of his/her existing license, and payment of a \$50.00 fee. . The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

D. Request for Exemption for Payment of Late Fee

Dr. Allen moved, with a second by Dr. Henderson, to deny the request for refund of the late fee. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

E. Reciprocity Request

Dr. Henderson moved, with a second by Dr. Berry, to advise the individual that he would be eligible for consideration of reciprocal licensure when he meets the educational requirements [passage of the NBCE Physiotherapy Examination] and is active in Louisiana at the time of application. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

F. Request for Declaratory Opinion

Counsel advised that MSBCE does not have sufficient information to issue a declaratory opinion as insurance matters have no applicability to specified facts of a statute administered or enforceable by the Board or a rule promulgated by the Board.

XIII. Approval of Expenses

After review, Dr. Berry moved, with a second by Dr. Armstrong, to approve the following expenses:

A. July 12, 2024, through October 17, 2024

Vendor	Period	Total Amount
ITS (\$13.50 & \$5.00)	July & August 2024	\$18.50
J-Bar and Associates, Inc.	July 1, 2024 thru September 30, 2024	\$12,000.00
J-Bar and Associates, Inc. Reimbursable Expenses	July 1, 2024, thru September 30, 2024	
Postage (\$32.16 & \$29.88)	July and August 2024	\$62.04
Office Supplies Unique to the MSBCE (\$403.89 & \$110.19)	August and Sept. 2024	\$514.08
CSpire Bill (\$53.03, \$53.08 & \$53.08)	July, Aug. & Sept. 2024	\$159.19
Home2Suites by Hilton	September 19, 2024	\$450.00
Board Meeting Expense	September 19, 2024	\$159.92
Board Meeting Expense	October 17, 2024	\$91.97
Adobe (Life University transcripts) \$21.39; \$21.39; \$21.39	July, August, and Sept. 2024	\$64.17
U.S. Next (\$140.00, \$140.00, \$5,400, \$140.00 & \$140.00)	July, Aug. (x2), Sept. & Oct. 2024	\$5,960.00
MSBCE Travel Card – Conference room \$550.00 and hotel rooms @ \$125 X 3)	October 17, 2024	\$925.00

As well as public hearing travel for Thursday, September 19, 2024, and board member travel and expenses for October 17, 2024, and CEU review and investigative per diem of Dr. King.

The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

B. ZOOM or Microsoft TEAMS for Teleconference Meetings

It was recommended that MSBCE utilize Microsoft TEAMS for any future teleconference meeting.

C. Approval of Contract for Meeting Space and Room Reservations for 2025 Quarterly Meetings

Dr. Berry moved, with a second by Dr. Henderson, to approve the quote from, and enter into a contract with, Hyatt, Ridgeland for meeting space and room reservations for 2025. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

#### XIV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Dr. King moved, with a second by Dr. Berry, to adjourn the regularly scheduled meeting of the Mississippi State Board of Chiropractic Examiners at 12:35 p.m.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD ON: Deborah W. Itoda

By and on behalf of the Board January 9, 2025

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## AGENDA

OCTOBER 17, 2024 - 8:00 A.M.

HYATT PLACE, 1016 HIGHLAND COLONY PARKWAY, RIDGELAND, MS 39157

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- I. CALL TO ORDER DESMOND HODA
- II. ROLL CALL
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| David Allen, D.C.     | Desmond Hoda, D.C.   | B. Tripp Henderson, D.C.   |
| Felicia F. King, D.C. | S. Neely Berry, D.C. | Mary Gayle Armstrong, M.D. |
- BOARD REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT:
- Kim Turner, Special Assistant Attorney General / Counsel for the Board  
Yvonne Laird, Executive Secretary
- III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
- IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION
- A. Unlicensed Practice – Certificate Number 2392
  - B. Ownership Status
  - C. 2024-2 / Independent Investigator Contract
  - D. Arkansas Chiropractic Society CE
  - E. 2024-4
  - F. 2024-5
  - G. Certificate #165 Extension Request
- V. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
- A. July 11, 2024
  - B. September 17, 2024
  - C. September 19, 2024
- VI. FINANCIAL REPORT
- A. Approval of Financial Report Ending August 30, 2024
- VII. OFFICER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS
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| A. Board Chairman’s Report  | DESMOND HODA    |
| B. Board Vice-Chairman’s Report   | TRIPP HENDERSON |
| C. Committee Reports  |                 |
| 1. Continuing Education   | FELICIA KING    |
| 2. Rules and Regulations  | TRIPP HENDERSON |
| a. Draft Rules  | KIM TURNER      |
| 1. Survey – Licensees Providing Animal Chiropractic Services              |                 |
| 2. Craig Little, Ed.D., President/CEO – Council on Chiropractic Education |                 |
| 3. Examination  | NEELY BERRY     |



- VIII. FCLB / NBCE
  - A. District V, Ashville, NC Meeting Report Approval for 12 CE Hours DESMOND HODA/ FELICIA KING
  
- IX. REPORT BY COUNSEL KIM TURNER
  
- X. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT YVONNE LAIRD
  - A. License Approvals
  - B. Consideration of Reapplication, DC # 1230
  
- XI. OLD BUSINESS
  
- XII. NEW BUSINESS DESMOND HODA
  - A. 2025 Scheduled Board Meetings – January 9; April 3; July 10; and October 2, 2025
  - B. System Enhancements – LMS Database
  - C. Requirements for Name Change
  - D. Request for Exemption for Payment of Late Fee
  - E. Reciprocity Request
  - F. Declaratory Opinion Response
  
- XIII. APPROVAL OF EXPENSES DESMOND HODA
  - A. July 12, 2024, through October 17, 2024
  - B. Zoom / Teams for Teleconference Meetings
  - C. Approval of Contract for Meeting Space and Room Reservations for January 9, 2025, April 17, 2025, July 10, 2025, and October 16, 2025
  
- XIV. ADJOURNMENT DESMOND HODA