

Minutes
Arkansas State Board of Chiropractic Examiners
101 East Capitol, Suite 209
Board Meeting - Teleconference
November 23, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Ryan Collins, President, at 12:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Board Members present:

Terry Barnett, D.C.
Ryan Collins, D.C.
Beverly Foster, D.C.
Jack McCoy
Kent Moore, D.C.
Weldon Roberts
Tom Taylor, D.C.

Board Members absent:

None

Staff Members present:

Amanda Abernethy, Assistant Attorney General
Rebecca Wright, Executive Director

Guests Present:

Sarah Agee, Governor's Office
Cindy Beemer, D.C.
Steven Bennett, D.C.
Kendra Booth, Blue Cross Blue Shield
Michael Courtney, D.C., Arkansas Chiropractic Society
Ryan Johnston, D.C.
Tiffany Lee, Governor's Office
Richard Matthews, D.C.

BOARD BUSINESS

Expert Witness for Hearings; Payment Amount

Ms. Abernethy stated that per existing Arkansas case law, when the Board is considering professional conduct of a chiropractic doctor, an expert from the industry can provide testimony regarding the standards of practice. Dr. Chris Cathey and Dr. Larry Grinder have been contacted and both have agreed to sit as an expert witness. If Dr. Cathey is not available, Dr. Grinder will provide testimony. The Board discussed payment for expert testimony. Dr. Moore moved to pay \$250 an hour, not to exceed \$1000. This is for a hearing scheduled on December 7, 2010. Dr.

Barnett seconded the motion. Dr. Foster recused. The motion passed. The payment will be made from Professional Fees & Services, line item 506:00:10, currently at \$7,199.00.

Federal Background Checks

Dr. Taylor stated that the Arkansas Chiropractic Coalition (Coalition), comprising of representatives from the Arkansas Chiropractic Association, the Arkansas Chiropractic Council, and the Arkansas Chiropractic Society, met and discussed implementing federal background checks. He stated that the Coalition was in agreement that the Board implement federal background checks. Cora Gentry of the Arkansas State Police will be contacted regarding the language to put in the Arkansas Chiropractic Rules and Regulations, and Statutes.

Continuing Education - Cindy Beemer, D.C.

Dr. Beemer took a continuing education course in September 2010 for her 2011 license renewal. The same course was offered in January and was pre-approved by Arkansas. The September course was not pre-approved by Arkansas. Discussion followed. Dr. Taylor moved that the Board accept the course that Dr. Beemer took, for her 2011 license renewal, per Rule and Regulation section E(3)(8). Dr. Barnett seconded the motion. Dr. Foster voted no. The motion passed.

Advertising - Richard Matthews, D.C.:

Dr. Matthews would like to state that he is Board certified and uses "functional neurology" in his advertising. Discussion followed. Dr. Taylor stated that there is nothing in the Rules and Regulations, and Statutes that prohibits Dr. Matthews from using this language, and he can state that he is Board certified as long as he states which Board certified him and does not mislead the public.

Adjourn

Dr. Barnett moved to adjourn. Mr. McCoy seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Board minutes approved: 12/14/2010.