

In Attendance

Sahil Chaudhary, Citizen Member
Helene Clayton-Jeter, OD, Board of Optometry
Kevin Doyle, EdD, LPC, LSATP, Board of Counseling
Louise Hershkowitz, CRNA, MSHA, Board of Nursing
Allen Jones, Jr., DPT, PT, Board of Physical Therapy
Louis Jones, FSL, Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers
Derrick Kendall, NHA, Board of Long-Term Care Administrators
Ryan Logan, RPh, Board of Pharmacy
Kevin O'Connor, MD, Board of Medicine
John Salay, MSW, LCSW, Board of Social Work
Herb Stewart, PhD, Board of Psychology
James Watkins, DDS, Board of Dentistry
James Wells, RPh, Citizen Member

Absent

Steve Karras, DVM, Board of Veterinary Medicine
Alison King, PhD, CCC-SLP, Board of Audiology & Speech-Language Pathology
Martha Rackets, PhD, Citizen Member
Maribel Ramos, Citizen Member
Vacant - Citizen Member

DHP Staff

David Brown, DC, Director DHP
Barbara Allison-Bryan, MD, Deputy Director DHP
Elizabeth A. Carter, PhD, Executive Director BHP
Yetty Shobo, PhD, Deputy Executive Director BHP
Laura Jackson, MSHSA, Operations Manager BHP
Charis Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General
Rajana Siva, MBA, Research Analyst BHP
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Policy Analyst DHP

Speakers

No speakers signed-in

Observers

Scott Johnson, Hancock Daniel & Johnson, PC

Emergency Egress

Elizabeth Carter, PhD

Call to Order

Dr. Jones, Jr.
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Quorum: Established

Public Comment

No public comment was provided

Approval of Minutes

Motion

Dr. Jones, Jr.

A motion to accept meeting minutes from the August 29, 2019 Full Board meeting was made and properly seconded. All members were in favor, none opposed.

Director's Report

Dr. Brown announced that the agencies Board Member Training held October 7, 2019 was rated a 4.5 out of 5. He noted that additional information will be made available to board members on the agencies website. Dr. Brown stated that the agency's website upgrade was going well and that several boards have made the transition. He requested that the board members go to the website and look to see if it is more user friendly. Boards will now be able to make their own postings, reducing the need for Data to post the information on their behalf.

Dr. Allison-Bryan reviewed building security changes that have gone into effect and those that are yet to be implemented.

The Council on Licensure, Enforcement and Regulation (CLEAR) is an organization designed to help those in professional regulation have access to resources. At the annual CLEAR meeting in September, DHP's research and analysis into the workload of the Enforcement Division staff was presented by DHP's Enforcement Director Ms. Schmitz and Visual Research, Inc. President Neal Kauder.

Welcome

Dr. Jones, Jr. introduced newly appointed Board of Health Professions board members Louise Herskowitz with the Board of Nursing and Steve Karras with the Board of Veterinary Medicine.

Legislative and Regulatory Report

Ms. Yeatts provided an overview of the regulations distributed during the meeting. She advised that the agency has hired a P-14 law student to assist with the review and analysis of mandated and/or discretionary regulations. A link to the report will be posted on the agencies webpage once it is completed.

Board Chair Report

Dr. Jones, Jr. thanked agency staff for the high level of training provided at the October board member training.

Sanction Reference Points Review

Mr. Kauder with VisualResearch, Inc. provided a PowerPoint presentation discussing the SRP worksheet updates made for the Boards of Funeral Directors and Embalmers, Long-Term Care Administrators, Physical Therapy and Dentistry and that the review for the Board of Nursing is still in progress. (Attachment 1)

Executive Director's Report

Dr. Carter reviewed the Board's budget and provided insight into the agency's statistics and performance.

Dr. Carter provided an overview of the meetings she attended at The National Conference of State Legislatures Multi-State Learning Consortium in Utah and the The Council of State Governments Occupational Licensing Learning Seminar in Kentucky.

**Healthcare Workforce
Data Center**

Dr. Shobo provided an overview of the PowerPoint presentation she presented at the Home Care and Health Medicaid Conference in September. She also provided an update on the status of requests made for the sharing of the agency's workforce data.

Medicaid utilization will be added as a survey item on the 2020 workforce surveys. Discussion ensued on how best to collect the information.

Lunch

12:20 working lunch

**Board Member
Introductions**

Staff and board members in attendance introduced themselves to the newly appointed board members.

Individual Board Reports

Board of Psychology - Dr. Stewart (Attachment 2)

Board of Nursing - Ms. Hershkowitz provided licensure count for the Board of Nursing professions. She stated that the Board is working with VisualResearch Inc. on massage therapy SRP worksheets. The Board is also working on conversion therapy; and identifying ways that board members could better balance personal life/work with the time demands of the Board. Regulations for elimination of a second, additional license for Nurse Practitioner Prescriptive Authority have been finalized.

Board of Counseling - Dr. Doyle (Attachment 3)

Board of Long-Term Care Administrators - Mr. Kendall (Attachment 4)

Board of Pharmacy - Mr. Logan announced that the Board of Pharmacy has received two new member appointments. The board is implementing a process to cease mailing a hard copy license, registration or permit that bear an expiration date. The Board is very concerned with the use of vape products currently on the market. The Board is in the process of increasing licensure fees.

Board of Optometry - Dr. Clayton-Jeter (Attachment 5)

Board of Physical Therapy - Dr. Jones, Jr. (Attachment 6)

Board of Social Work - Mr. Salay (Attachment 7)

Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers - Mr. Jones (Attachment 8)

Board of Dentistry - Dr. Watkins (Attachment 9)

Board of Medicine - Dr. O'Connor stated that the Board of Medicine continues to see an increase in complaints. The board is resisting entry into the licensure compact by implementing an expedited licensure process. A new board president has been appointed. The board is also working on conversion therapy for adults and children.

Practitioner Self-Referral

Mr. Salay provided an overview of the Practitioner Self-Referral request made by Telomerix Stem Cell Biobank, LLC and the agency subordinate recommendation to the Full Board. After brief discussion, it was determined that this arrangement does not constitute a self-referral.

Motion

The practitioner self-referral request made by Telomerix Stem Cell Biobank, LLC was determined to not be a referral. A motion was made to accept the agency subordinates recommendation. The motion was properly seconded, with all members in favor, none opposed.

Election of Officers

The Nominating Committee Chair, Dr. Clayton-Jeter, reported on individuals interested in the position of Board Chair as follows: Dr. Jones, Jr. and Dr. Stewart. Both individuals acknowledged their interest and reasoning for seeking the position. There were no nominations from the floor. Prior to voting, Dr. Stewart withdrew his interest in the Board Chair position, making Dr. Jones, Jr. the only individual seeking the seat.

By acclamation Dr. Jones, Jr. was appointed Chair of the Board of Health Professions for a one year term. All members were in favor, none opposed.

The Nominating Committee Chair, Dr. Clayton-Jeter, reported on individuals interested in the position of Board Vice Chair as follows: Dr. Doyle, Dr. Stewart and Mr. Salay. Prior to voting, Mr. Salay and Dr. Doyle withdrew their interest in the Board Vice Chair position, making Dr. Stewart the only individual seeking the seat.

By acclamation Dr. Stewart was appointed Vice Chair of the Board of Health Professions for a one year term. All members were in favor, none opposed.

Education Committee Report

The Education Committee meeting will be rescheduled.

New Business

Dr. O'Connor offered to take the discussion of stem cell storage to the Board of Medicine.

Dr. Clayton-Jeter requested that an agenda item be added to the February 27, 2020 Full Board meeting to determine if the Board should consider extending the Chair and Vice Chair term of one year to two years.

Telehealth

The boards of Social Work and Psychology provided information regarding the impact of telehealth on their respective boards.

Next Full Board Meeting Dr. Jones, Jr. advised the Board that the next meeting is scheduled for February 27, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

Adjourned 1:28 p.m.

Chair Allen Jones, Jr., DPT, PT

Signature _____ /_____/_____

Board Executive Director Elizabeth A. Carter, PhD

Signature _____ /_____/_____