

**Arkansas State Board of Chiropractic Examiners  
Special Meeting Teleconference  
Tuesday, September 7, 2021**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The special meeting was called to order by Tanya Holt, D.C., President, at 1:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Board Members present:

Harold Gunter  
Michael Courtney, D.C.  
Gregory Ungerank, D.C.  
Tanya Holt, D.C.  
Jack McCoy (joined @ 1:03 pm)

Board Members absent:

Sarah Hays, D.C.  
Kent Moore, D.C.

Staff present:

Lisa Cross, Administrative Analyst  
Laurie Mayhan, Executive Director  
Joe West, Assistant Attorney General

Guests present:

None

## **Business Items**

### **C.E. Requirements**

The agency and some board members have been getting questions about waiving the onsite CE requirement for 2021 due to the pandemic still going on. Dr. Courtney brought up the fact that the governor has opened up the state to be as business as usual as long as people are socially distanced. All the ones he knows in the state are practicing and seeing patients every day with proper sanitation and so forth. Society seminars, there is enough space reserved so that the attendees can be socially distanced. The doctors in practice are seeing patients every day in a public setting, so they're well aware of safer precautions. Chiropractic is a hands-on profession. I think that online CE has its place, but the rules state that 12 have to be in person, and we cannot violate our own rules. Dr. Ungerank motioned to keep the CE requirements as stated in rule, 12 of the 24 are to be obtained in person and up to 12 can be obtained online, or all 24 can be obtained in person. Motion seconded by Dr. Courtney. Motion passed.

### **Temporary License Requests**

*David G. Contreras* submitted a temporary license request. Dr. Courtney presented this agenda item noting, with Ms. Cross's approval, that the applicant has no actions against him, but is missing Part IV. Brief discussion on whether he qualifies for reciprocity or temporary licensure due to not have Part IV. It was explained by the director that due to the applicant's graduation date and when the board started requiring Part IV, he does not have to have it and that he qualifies for at least the temporary license. Dr. Ungerank motioned to approve the temporary license request. Motion seconded by Dr. Courtney. Motion passed.

### **Externship & Supervisor applications**

*Rianna Nicodemus* submitted an externship application along with a supervisor application from Amanda Bledsoe, DC. Dr. Ungerank motioned to approve the externship and supervisor. Motion seconded by Mr. Gunter. Motion passed.

### **Other Business before the Board**

Dr. Holt brought up an email that was forwarded to her from the director, which was sent to the agency by Dr. Raker. The email consisted of a concern that the AR Dept. of Health was revising rules which would redefine the term "Physician" under their rule titled Registration of Sources of Radiation, part B, definitions. The director informed the board she had spoken with counsel prior to her leave about the bill/rule change and counsel stated it would not affect the actual state definition of a Physician as this section is only related to ionizing radiation. Dr. Courtney stated that Dr. Faulkenberry had investigated this and it only pertains to ionizing isotopes and does not affect chiropractors. No further action by the board.

## **ADJOURN**

Dr. Courtney moved to adjourn. Dr. Ungerank seconded. Motion passed. The Board adjourned at 1:22 p.m.

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*Board minutes approved: November 4, 2021*