

**NEVADA STATE BOARD OF  
HOMEOPATHIC MEDICAL EXAMINERS  
(DRAFT MINUTES)**

**MEETING MINUTES OF  
TELEPHONE BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 25, 2018 WEDNESDAY 6 P.M. (PACIFIC)  
at  
SIERRA INTEGRATIVE MEDICAL CENTER  
9333 DOUBLE R BLVD # 100  
RENO, NV 89521**

**Board members (present)**

<b>Diane Kennedy</b>	<b>President</b>
<b>Bruce Fong</b>	<b>Vice President</b>
<b>KJ Smith</b>	<b>Secretary Treasurer</b>
<b>Dawn Minstrel</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>Cora Ibarra</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>Robert Eslinger</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>Keith Scott Mumby</b>	<b>Member</b>

**Staff**

**Nancy Eklof, Executive Director (present)**  
**Rosalie Bordelove, Deputy Attorney General (Telephone)**

**AGENDA**

**The meeting of the Board of Homeopathic Medical Examiners was called to order by President Kennedy at approximately 6:00 pm**

- Item 1. Roll call and determination of a quorum. A quorum was present.**
- Item 2. Public comment (none)**
- Item 3. Approval of the Meeting Agenda  
Cora Ibarra motioned to approve  
Bruce Fong second  
Motion passed**

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- Item 4. Certify posting of the agenda at the stated locations  
Executive Director confirmed**
- Item 5. Public Comment (none)**
- Item 6. Call for Election of Officers (for possible action)  
KJ Smith motioned to approve  
Cora Ibarra second  
Motion passed**
- Item 7. Election of Officers (for possible action/discussion)  
President Diane Kennedy (current)  
Vice President Bruce Fong (current)  
Secretary Treasurer KJ Smith (current)  
Dawn Minstrel nominated Bruce Fong as President  
Cora Ibarra motioned to elect Bruce Fong as President  
Robert Eslinger second**
- Bruce Fong nominated Cora Ibarra Vice President  
KJ Smith motioned to elect Cora Ibarra as Vice President  
Robert Eslinger second**
- Robert Eslinger motioned KJ Smith to maintain her role as  
Secretary Treasurer  
Bruce Fong second**
- President Diane Kennedy asked if there was any discussion.  
Board member Keith Scott Mumby at that time said yes  
and stood up to address the Board stating his opposition to  
elect Bruce Fong as President. He did not feel that change  
was warranted particularly considering the current LCB  
Sunset Committee situation. He went on to state that the  
state of Nevada did not specifically want to wipe out our  
Board but instead felt that the LCB's Subcommittee on the  
sun-setting of Boards was a routine matter and that all  
Boards were under scrutiny. However, he felt the Board  
would be taken down based on the lack of integrity and**

**credibility now. He was very agitated and questioned Executive Director Eklof regarding matters surrounding why Bruce Fong as Board Vice President was not involved nor invited to participate in the first meeting in Carson City. Executive Director Nancy Eklof did not really answer his questions. He further brought up past issues surrounding Dr. Fong's Board history and continued the path for several minutes. It was obvious the Public was not in agreement with his position and he recognized that, and at that time said he was resigning from the Board, put down the cell phone he was holding that was recording the meeting. He then left the room and the public applauded.**

**Robert Eslinger spoke at that time that Bruce Fong did not want to be President due to all his personal and profession obligations but was deeply concerned regarding the Sunset Committee and the possibility of the Board being dissolved by the State. Bruce Fong stated he was here to help the Board get through the Sunset Committee process with a strong concerted effort to show the Sunset Committee that the Board is relevant and important.**

**President Kennedy then called for the vote of the nominees and the Board members voted unanimously for the officers as nominated to become the new officers for the next year.**

**Item 8. Sunset Committee Recap and Lobbyist Activities.  
(discussion/for possible action)**

**President Fong gave a brief overview of the current situation and asked Lobbyist Nick Vanderpohl whom was attending the meeting via the telephone to further report. Vanderpohl stated that the LCB Sunset Sub-Committee sent a letter to Attorney General Adam Laxalt regarding the Boards' sizable debt with the Attorney General's office that has accumulated over many years and incorrectly much of the bill was not written off when the Board was correct in the matters that were inflating the bill. He mentioned Committee Member Assemblyman (LV) Keith**

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**Pickard wanted information on how the Board's Licensees impact economic development in the state, the potential growth of licensees and other related questions. Spoke of the consolidation with any other boards, which there is no avenue for.**

**Robert Eslinger spoke up wondering if the Sunset Committee asked other Boards to furnish this information. Diane Kennedy said yes.**

**Vanderpohl stated that the Committee wondered if there was a need for licensing homeopathy. Robert Eslinger stated that it was about protecting public safety and not about the dollars brought to the state.**

**The outstanding bill to the Attorney General's office was discussed further with the importance of it being resolved. Diane Kennedy stated previous meetings with the Attorney General's office top management regarding the problems with the bill were met with a lack of *significant* concern. KJ Smith asked if there was documentation to this fact and no there was not. "It was not appropriate at the time."**

**Brue Fong stated that historically the majority of the debt was due to a lawsuit matter pertaining to the not licensing of a specific doctor that had applied but that the Board had had reservations about licensing.**

**At that time KJ Smith asked regarding the timeline to meet with the LCB's Sunset Committee and to provide the information they are seeking. Vanderpohl stated we should get all documentation together regarding the Licensees that do serve patients from out of the state and the impact.**

- Item 9. Public Comment**  
**Dr. James Forsythe, MD, HMD stated he can furnish impressive figures regarding his patients, room nights, families accompanying them, etc. He said he would provide.**
- Item 10. Approval of December 29, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes (for possible action)**  
**KJ Smith Motioned to approve**  
**Dawn Minstrel second**  
**Motion passed**
- Item 11. Adjournment (for possible action)**  
**Dawn Minstrel motioned to adjourn**  
**KJ Smith second**  
**Motion passed**  
**Meeting adjourned 6:58pm**