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A meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners was held on Wednesday, May 8, 2013 at the Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, 25 Market Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Center, Trenton, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order by President George J. Scott, D.P.M., D.O., FACOFP

**ATTENDING**

Board Members Berkowitz, Cheema, Ciechanowski, DeGregorio, Jordan, Krauss, Lomazow, Maffei, Miksad, Paul, Rajput, Rock, Scott, Stanley, Tedeschi and Walsh.

**EXCUSED**

Board Members Criss, Mendelowitz, and Weiss.

**ALSO PRESENT**

Senior Deputy Attorney General Dick and Flanzman; Deputy Attorneys General Hafner and Puteska; William V. Roeder, Executive Director, and Harry Lessig, M.D., Medical Consultant.

## **STATEMENT CONCERNING THE ANNUAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS**

The requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Act" were satisfied by notice of this meeting given in the annual notice adopted by the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners on September 12, 2012 which was transmitted to the ATLANTIC CITY PRESS, STAR LEDGER, CAMDEN COURIER POST, ASBURY PARK PRESS, BERGEN RECORD and the TRENTON TIMES, all on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of October 2012.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Board offered its congratulations to former Board member, Kathryn

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Lambert, D.O., FAOASM, who was selected as the “2013 Physician of the Year” by the New Jersey Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons. She is the first woman to have been selected for this honor. Eight years earlier she was the first woman to be installed as President of the NJAOPS. The Board recognized her accomplishments through a round of applause.

**MINUTES**

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND  
SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE MARCH 13,  
2013 OPEN BOARD MINUTES

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND  
SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY  
15, 2013 OPEN PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE MINUTES

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND  
SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER  
17, 2012 ATHLETIC TRAINING ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE MINUTES

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND  
SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER  
13, 2012 ELECTROLOGIST ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **SENATE BILL 2615**

This bill seeks to establish the prescription drug donation repository program in the Department of Health. The program seeks to provide for the donation of unused prescription drugs and supplies to a central repository for redistribution to authorized medical facilities, which will re-dispense the medications for use to patients who meet certain eligibility criteria as specified by the Commissioner of Health.

**THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO SUPPORT THE CONCEPTS EMBODIED IN THE BILL, HOWEVER, IT HAD CONSIDERABLE CONCERNS ABOUT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAM AS IT WAS CURRENTLY PROPOSED. IT WAS NOTED THAT IT WAS AN UNFUNDED MANDATE AND THE BOARD EXPRESS SOME CONCERNS ABOUT THE MEANS OF DISTRIBUTION AND PERHAPS, THE COSTS OF RUNNING THE PROGRAM. ADDITIONALLY, THE BOARD NOTED THAT THERE WOULD ALSO BE NEEDED ADEQUATE ATTENTION PAID TO ENSURE THAT THE SAFETY OF THE DONATED MEDICINE TO ASSURE THAT THE DONATED PRESCRIPTIONS WOULD NOT BE ADULTERATED. THE BOARD RECOGNIZED THAT THE CLASS OF UNDER AND UN INSURED PATIENTS CONTINUES TO GROW DAILY AND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A PROGRAM SUCH AS**

**THE ONE PROPOSED IN THE BILL MIGHT ASSIST THOSE  
WITH LEGITIMATE NEEDS.**

The Motion was made by Dr. Jordan and seconded by Dr. Tedeschi. It carried unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Nothing Scheduled.

**INFORMATIONAL**

NJAOPS article entitled "*Kathryn C. Lambert, DO, FAOSM, 2013 Physician of the Year.*"

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Dr. Ackerman's counsel, William Isele, Esquire, addressed the Board concerning his client, Dr. Ackerman, who is seeking the reinstatement of her license. He outlined the contours and reasoning of his Motion for Reconsideration and Appointment of two new evaluators.

Respectfully submitted,

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George J. Scott, D.P.M., D.O., FACOFP  
Board President

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