

INDIANA BOARD OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE
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MINUTES OF JUNE 5, 2020

Vincent Coda, D.P.M., Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m. and declared a quorum in accordance with IC § 25-29-2-5, pursuant to public notice posted on line at the board's website and on the state calendar at least forty-eight (48) hours before the time of the meeting.

Members Present by Telephone: Vincent Coda, D.P.M., Chair
William Oliver, D.P.M., Member
Therese Eustler, P.T., Member
Jane Koch, D.P.M., Secretary (arrived 10:14a.m.)

Members Absent: Lisa Lanham, D.P.M., Vice Chair

Staff Present by Telephone: Laura Turner, J.D., Board Director
Professional Licensing Agency
Jody Edens, Assistant Director
Professional Licensing Agency
Nicole Schuster, J.D. Deputy Attorney General
Office of the Attorney General

The Board voted by roll call to adopt the agenda.

Eustler/Oliver, 3/0/0
Motion carries

The following board members voted aye by roll call:
Vincent Coda, William Oliver, Therese Eustler
The following board members objected: none
The following board members abstained: none

The Board voted by roll call to adopt the March 13, 2020 minutes as written.

Oliver/Eustler, 3/0/0
Motion carries

The following board members voted aye by roll call:
Vincent Coda, William Oliver, Therese Eustler

The following board members objected: none
The following board members abstained: none

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

Russel Harms, D.P.M., License No. 07001065A, Cause No. 2019 DPM 0002

Respondent did not appear telephonically or in person and was not represented by counsel regarding a Summary Suspension Extension scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Patricia Gipson, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Margie Addington with Accurate Reporting Services also appeared telephonically.

Dr. Harms has been on summary suspension since October 2019. Ms. Gipson requested the Board to review exhibits A – I which were submitted previously to the Board.

She submitted the following new exhibits.

States Exhibits:

J – request to revoke license
K – his admission that allegation are true
L – court documents

After having considered the evidence presented and taking official, judicial notice of the pleadings, evidence and orders in this matter the Board voted by roll call to EXTEND the SUMMARY SUSPENSION for ninety (90) days

Oliver/Koch, 4/0/0
Motion carries

The following board members voted aye by roll call:
Vincent Coda, William Oliver, Therese Eustler, Jane Koch
The following board members objected: none
The following board members abstained: none

After discussion, the Board voted by roll call to not hold the Respondent in Default due to issue with the notice.

Oliver/Eustler, 4/0/0
Motion carries

The following board members voted aye by roll call:
Vincent Coda, William Oliver, Therese Eustler, Jane Koch
The following board members objected: none
The following board members abstained: none

DISCUSSION

CE Audit:

Staff informed the Board that the CE audit was on hold due to covid-19.

Therese Eustler, P.T. informed the Board that this would be her last meeting as she has been appointed to the Physical Therapy Board.

There being no further business the Board adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

Vincent Coda, D.P.M., Chair

Lisa Lanham, D.P.M., Vice Chair