# MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF THE MEDICAL LICENSING BOARD OF INDIANA

## **AUGUST 25, 2022**

# INDIANA GOVERNMENT CENTER SOUTH PROFESSIONAL LICENSING AGENCY ROOM W064 402 WEST WASHINGTON STREET INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

## I. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

8:30 a.m.

#### **Board Members Present:**

John Strobel, M.D.

Kirk Masten, D.O.

Bharat H. Barai, M.D. (arrived at 11:51 a.m. and did not participate in appearances or hearings)

Rebecca Moredock-Mueller, M.D.

Heidi Dunniway, M.D.

Victoria McCann, J.D. (participated via telephone for Cause Nos. 2019 MLB 0003 and 2018 MLB 0013)

All Board Members participated in voting unless otherwise noted.

#### **Board Members Absent:**

Michael Busk. M.D.

#### **PLA Staff:**

Alyssa Servies JD, MPH Zharia Collins

## **Advisory Counsel:**

Adam Harvey, JD

#### II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made and seconded to accept the amended agenda. Masten/Strobel 4-0-0.

#### III. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

8:30 a.m.

## A. Initial Application

1. Brandon Daniels, M.D. – Positive Response (#1,4,5,8,9)

Dr. Daniels failed to appear. He will be rescheduled.

2. Allen Amorn, M.D. – Positive Response (#1,4)

Dr. Amorn appeared after disclosing multiple positive responses on an initial application. He appeared with counsel, Cynthia Marcus. His Ohio license was placed on probation in 2018 after a mental health incident. Subsequently, his California license was placed on probation. His Ohio license is now free and clear, but his California license remains on probation until a hearing can be held. He was also granted an unrestricted license in Louisiana. He has been practicing at LSU in Shreveport doing clinical and teaching duties. Dr. Amorn wants to come back to the Midwest to practice closer to home. A motion was made and seconded to grant the license. Masten/Mueller 4-0-0.

3. Eric Krivitsky, M.D. – Positive Response (#4,5,8,10)

Dr. Krivitsky appeared after disclosing multiple positive responses on an initial application. In 2010, he was convicted of reckless driving. He also disclosed two medical malpractice cases. He currently has a job opportunity with Franciscan Health. A motion was made and seconded to grant the license. Strobel/Masten 4-0-0.

4. Robert Aria, M.D. – Positive Response (#7,12)

Dr. Aria appeared after disclosing multiple positive responses on an initial application. He was suspended from a residency program for plagiarism while he was in the process of transferring to a different residency program. He had also been suspended from a fellowship in New York. He has not had any issues since his residency and fellowship. Dr. Aria works in interventional radiology and has a job offer with University of Louisville, which will include working in New Albany, Indiana. A motion was made and seconded to grant the license. Dunniway/Mueller 4-0-0.

#### IV. DISCUSSION

#### A. Reports

Board Director
 The report was presented by Alyssa Servies. Concerns with licensing matters were raised by Dr. Barai.

## ii. Attorney General

The report was presented by a representative from the Office of the Indiana Attorney General.

#### V. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

9:30 a.m.

#### A. PETITIONS TO WITHDRAW PROBATION/REINSTATEMENT

## 1. RICHARD CAESAR, M.D., 01083147A

Cause No.: 2022 MLB 0006 Re: Probation Withdraw

DAG: No DAG

Respondent: Present via telephone with counsel, Jim Bleeke, in-

person.

Witness(es): None

Exhibit(s): Exhibit A – Indiana Order Renewing License on

Probation

Exhibit B – Consent Agreement with the Maine Board Exhibit C – Letter from Maine Board re: Completion of

Requirements

Exhibit D – Consent Order from Massachusetts

A motion was made and seconded to withdraw the probation.

Masten/Dunniway 4-0-0.

## 2. PERRIN DOBYNS, M.D., 01056477A

Cause No.: 2013 MLB 0033

Re: Reinstatement DAG: Alex James

Respondent: Present with counsel, Elliot Pinkie.

Witness(es): Molly Dagon, ISMA PAP

Exhibit(s): Exhibit A – Acumen Assessment

Exhibit B – CPEP Assessment Exhibit C – Letter from Dr. D. Akin

Exhibit D – Letter from Claude Drouet, LCSW

A motion was made and seconded to reinstate on indefinite probation. Dr. Dobyns may not work until he presents a plan to get back into practice, which must include a residency program in or outside of the State of Indiana. Once a plan has been approved by the Board, then Dr. Dobyns can work in a training setting where he is supervised by a physcian with an unencumbered license. Strobel/Masten 4-0-0.

## 3. JAMES LUNDEEN, M.D., 01070276A

Cause No.: 2012 MLB 0005

Re: Reinstatement

Lundeen did not appear. The hearing will be continued.

## 4. STEVEN MARCHINO, M.D., 01052937A

Cause No.: 2019 MLB 0003 Re: Probation Withdraw

DAG: Alex James

Respondent: Present, with counsel, K. Michael Gaerte.

Witness(es): None

Exhibit(s): Exhibit A – Indiana Order Filed October 31, 2019

Exhibit B – Court Order from Parke County
Exhibit C – Indiana Order Filed July 26, 2021
Exhibit D – Support Letter from Dr. Susec, Jr.
Exhibit E – Compliance Letter from Dr. Frick (ISMA)

PAP)

Exhibit 1 – Proof of Community Service

Exhibit 2 – Proof of Discharge of Federal Probation Exhibit 3 – Memorandum of Agreement (DEA)

Exhibit 4 – Updated Compliance Letter from Dr. Frick

(ISMA PAP)

Exhibit 5 – Updated Support Letter from Dr. Susec, Jr.

All exhibits submitted by Dr. Marchino's counsel.

A motion was made and seconded to withdraw the probation.

Masten/Mueller 4-0-0. Dunniway recused.

## 5. MICHAEL PORVAZNIK, M.D., 01060166A

Cause No.: 2018 MLB 0013 Re: Probation Withdraw

DAG: Alex James

Respondent: Present, with counsel, K. Michael Gaerte.

Witness(es): None

Exhibit(s): Exhibit A – Indiana Order Filed July 23, 2018

Exhibit B – Indiana Order Filed March 1, 2022

Exhibit C – DEA Certificate

Exhibit 1 – KEJM Knowledge Self Assessment in Internal Medicine and other Continuing Education

Certificates

Exhibit 2 – Compliance Letter from Dr. Frick (ISMA)

PAP)

A motion was made and seconded to withdraw the probation.

Mueller/Dunniway 4-0-0.

Strobel recused.

## **B. FINAL HEARINGS**

## 1. MAHENDRA SANAPATI, M.D., 01055762A

Cause No.: 2021 MLB 0012

Re: Motion to Dismiss DAG: Ryan Eldridge

Respondent: Present by counsel, Chad Sullivan.

Witness(es): None Exhibit(s): None

A motion was made and seconded to dismiss the matter without

prejudice. Masten/Strobel 4-0-0.

#### VI. ADJOURNMENT

## **UPCOMING BOARD DATES**

September 22, 2022 August 24, 2023
October 27, 2022 September 28, 2023
December 1, 2022 October 26, 2023

January 26, 2023 December 7, 2023

February 23, 2023

March 23, 2023

April 27, 2023

May 25, 2023

June 22, 2023

July 27, 2023