# Medical Licensing Board of Indiana Indiana Government Center - South Building Room W064 402 W. Washington Street Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

# Minutes from the Meeting of December 05, 2024

John Strobel, MD, President, called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m. and declared a quorum in accordance with IC 25-26-13-3(d), pursuant to public notice posted at the principal office for the Board, online at the board's website and on the state calendar at least forty-eight (48) hours before the time of the meeting.

# **Board Members Present:**

John Strobel, MD Kirk Masten, DO Victoria McCann, JD Heidi Dunniway, MD Bharat Barai, MD Michael Busk, MD

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

Rebecca Mueller, MD

#### PLA Staff:

Christine Maslan, Board Director Kiko Dixon, Assistant Board Director

#### **Advisory Counsel:**

Adam Harvey, JD

# **Court Reporter:**

Accurate Reporting – Margie Addington

#### **Adoption of Agenda**

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda. Barai/Dunniway 6-0-0.

#### **Adoption of Minutes**

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the amended minutes from October 24, 2024. Dunniway/Busk 6-0-0. McCann abstains

#### Occupational Therapy Proposed Rules Changes

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the proposed rules changes. Masten/Strobel 6-0-0.

#### **Discussion Items**

- 1. OAG Report presented by Ryan Eldridge
- 2. Director's Report presented by Christine Maslan

# **Administrative Hearings**

#### **Final Hearings**

Clifford W. Fetters, M.D. 01034557A Cause No.: 2023 MLB 0020

DAG: Carah Rochester

Respondent: Did not appear, attorney Robert Saint attended hearing

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

A motion was made and seconded to ACCEPT State's Motion to Dismiss with Prejudice.

Dunniway/McCann 6-0-0.

Motion carries.

Ijaz Mahmood, M.D. 01069312A Cause No.: 2022 MLB 0019

DAG: Kyle Sprunger and Amanda Elizondo Cassidy

Respondent: Did not appear

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

State moves for notice of proposed default.

A motion was made and seconded to GRANT the Notice of Proposed Default.

Masten/Dunniway 6-0-0.

Motion carries.

#### **Probation Withdrawal**

Sarah Rader, D.O. 02004221A Cause No.: 2021 MLB 0027

DAG: Alex James

Respondent: Appeared with counsel, Kennedy Bunch

Exhibit(s): Petitioner's Exhibit 1 – Petition for Withdrawal of Probation

Petitioner's Exhibit 2 – Final Order Accepting Proposed Settlement Agreement Petitioner's Exhibit 3 – Letter Regarding Updated Employment and Corresponding

**Employer Signed Board Orders** 

Petitioner's Exhibit 4 – Quarterly Reports

Petitioner's Exhibit 5 – Certificate of completion of Six (6) Continuing Education Units in

**Opioid Prescribing** 

Petitioner's Exhibit 6 – Receipt of Five Dollars (\$5) deposited into the health Records

and Personal Identifying Information Protection Trust Fund

Witness(es): Dr. Rader

A motion was made and seconded to GRANT probation withdrawal.

Barai/Masten 6-0-0.

Motion carries.

#### Stephanie M. Davis, MD. 01064535A Cause No.: 202408 MED 0022

DAG: None

Respondent: Appeared without counsel

Exhibit(s): None Witness(es): Dr. Davis

A motion was made and seconded to DENY probation withdrawal at this time.

McCann/Masten 6-0-0.

Motion carries.

# Jeffrey Seizys, M.D. 01043925A Cause No.: 2024 MLB 0034

DAG: Ryan Eldridge

Respondent: Appeared without counsel

Exhibit(s): State's Exhibit 1 – IPLA Affidavit for Licensing Probation Matter Witness(es): Dr. Seizys and Brad Repass, PLA Office of Litigation Management

The Board proposes modification of probation.

A motion was made and seconded to MODIFY but not withdraw probation. With modified terms and conditions to include: Enroll in ISMA PAP, provide proof from employer of ongoing employment, provide documentation from Parkdale and Hazelton of clean record/negative sober link tests Strobel/Masten 6-0-0.

Motion carries.

# **Default Hearing**

Carey M. Vigor, M.D., 01069925A Cause No.: 2018 MLB 0025

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#### **Petition for Summary Judgment**

John E. Humiston, M.D., 01081516A Cause No.: 2022 MLB 0018

DAG: Carah Rochester

Respondent: Appeared without counsel

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

Board reviewed State's Motion for Summary Judgement based on revocation of California medical license.

A motion was made and seconded to ACCEPT State's Motion of Summary Judgement Strobel/Masten 6-0-0.

Motion carries.

# **Personal Appearances**

# **Initial Application**

# **Christopher Dorvault, M.D. [via Zoom]**

Appeared virtually without counsel.

Reason: Medical malpractice settlement.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE the issuance of this license.

Masten/Barai 6-0-0.

Motion carries.

# Daryl Nisbett, M.D. [via Zoom]

Appeared virtually without counsel.

Reason: Positive Response, Pre-Trial Conference in October 2024

Currently practicing in FL, also has a KY license.

Has job offer in Michigan City, IN doing general surgery.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE the issuance of this license.

Barai/Masten 6-0-0.

Motion carries.

#### David Prestosa, M.D.

Appeared without counsel.

Reason: Positive Response, Expired VA-PGT (over 10+ years), No active licenses

Suicide attempt in 2013 during residency. Did not complete residency, took many leaves of absence. Only completed an internship. Currently working as a senior manager/clinical advisor. Does not have a full medical license, has never had one.

Plan for Indiana is telehealth.

Applicant requests application be withdrawn.

# Lesley Williams, M.D.

Reason: Positive Response

Active licenses in PA and VA.

Applicant requests application be withdrawn.

#### Michelle Alexandre, M.D.

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# Ran Halleluyan, M.D. [via Zoom]

Appeared virtually without counsel.

Reason: Positive Response, AL Board Order

Licensed in multiple states. Wants to do locums in Indiana. Has also been accepted into IU transplant fellowship

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE the issuance of this license.

Barai/Busk 6-0-0.

Motion carries.

# **Waiver Requests**

## Nabigha Abdul Baki, M.D. [via Zoom]

Appeared virtually without counsel.

Reason: 2<sup>nd</sup> Request for appearance, No U.S. AGME-Accredited PGT

Accepted IU school of medicine general nephrology fellowship for 2 years.

A motion was made and seconded to GRANT a waiver for of license.

Barai/Dunniway 6-0-0.

Motion carries.

#### Renewal

#### Cheyenne Parris, R.D., 37003779A

Appeared without counsel.

Reason: November Positive Response, 2023 DUI

Sobriety date – 12/12/23 On probation until Feb 2025

Random testing as part of criminal probation since Nov. 2023.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE renewal of this license.

Strobel/Masten 6-0-0.

Motion carries.

# Zachary Ventress, PGT, 11022304A

Appeared without counsel.

Reason: Positive Response, May 2024 DUI

TABLE REQUEST until January meeting

A motion was made and seconded to TABLE renewal until the January meeting.

Strobel/Masten 6-0-0.

Motion carries.

# Reinstatement

#### Darvin Javier, M.D., 01075694A

Appeared without counsel.

Reason: No Active License, has not seen patients since 2020.

Applicant request withdrawal of reinstatement application

# George Dixon, M.D., 01056420A

Reason: Positive Response

Indiana license expired since 6/3/2011, has active IL license, expires 7/31/2026.

Wanting an Indiana license as his current company is expanding into Indiana.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE reinstatement of this license.

Barai/McCann 6-0-0. Motion carries.

# Herbert Biel, M.D., 01041175A [via Zoom]

Application withdrawn

#### Yu-Tze Ng, M.D., 01055262A

Appeared virtually without counsel.

Reason: Positive Response, Title IV MedMal (2023), Voluntary Surrendered Clinical Privileges

Currently doing locums work as a neurologist. Board certified.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE the issuance of this license. Strobel/Barai 6-0-0.

Motion carries.

Adjournment 2:40 p.m.