

Alabama State Board of Podiatry

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MINUTES Board Meeting Friday, October 19, 2007

The Alabama State Board of Podiatry met on Friday, October 19, 2007 at the Board Office in Montgomery, Alabama in order to conduct business.

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. and the following members were present: Dr. Patricia Antero (President), Dr. James (Jay) Morgan (Vice-President), Dr. Darron Barrus (Secretary/Treasurer), Dr. Mark Veres, Dr. Tara Blasingame, Dr. Steven Grunfeld. Dr. Eric Fillingner was not present. Also in attendance were Mr. Keith E. Warren (Executive Director), and Ms. Hope Paulene (Executive Assistant), and Mr. Randy Reaves (Board Counsel). A quorum was declared to conduct business.

Public Notice of this meeting was submitted to the Secretary of State's Website in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act and it was also published on the Board's website, www.podiatryboard.alabama.gov.

The minutes from the July 20, 2007 Board meeting were presented for approval. Dr. Grunfeld made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Veres and unanimously approved by the Board.

Dr. Veres made a motion for final adoption of the rules change of Chapter 730-X-3 as advertised in the Administrative Monthly. The motion was seconded by Dr. Barrus and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Reaves addressed the Board, informing them that the Board had received several complaints that would require administrative hearings. Also, he would like for the Board to consider creating new rules and regulations that would address unprofessional behavior of podiatrists, including a code of sexual acts. He suggested that the Board also work on developing legislation to address these issues as well. Mr. Warren informed the Board that he would work on preparing a draft for the Board and he would also contact Ms. Gina Tucker, Lobbyist with the Alabama Podiatric Medical Association.

Dr. Barrus addressed the Board with the current financial information; the account balance is \$ 74,210.28. Dr. Morgan made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Veres and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren proceeded with the opening of the bids received for Investigator Services.

The following bids were received:

- 1) KSR--\$100.00 hourly
- 2) FlameSeal Products--No Bid
- 3) Donald Hiltz--\$30.00 hourly
- 4) Murray Guard--No Bid
- 5) Meridian Investigative--\$70.00 hourly
- 6) Global Investigations--\$60.00 hourly
- 7) Taylor International--No Bid

Dr. Blasingame made a motion to accept the bid presented by Donald Hiltz for a five year period, from November 1, 2007 to October 30, 2012. The motion was seconded by Dr. Veres and unanimously approved by the Board.

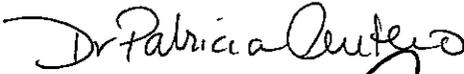
Dr. Barrus asked the Board to approve his attendance and travel expenses pertaining to the 32nd Annual Federation of Associations of Regulatory Boards meeting from January 25 -27, 2008 in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Dr. Veres made a motion to approve Dr. Barrus's request and for the Board to reimburse expenses related to the conference. The motion was seconded by Dr. Blasingame and unanimously approved by the Board.

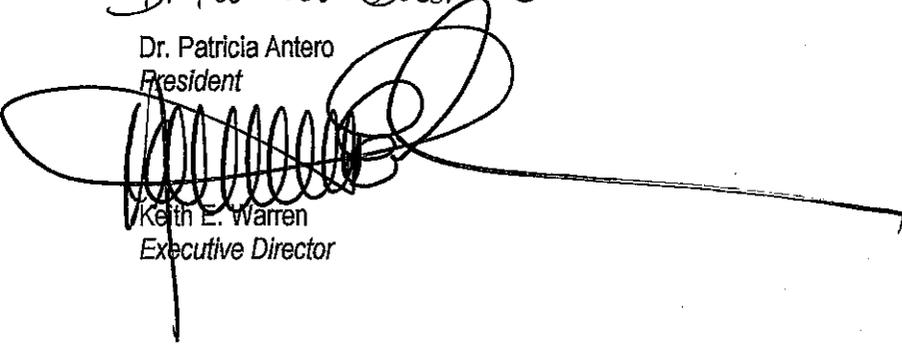
Mr. Warren announced by next Board meeting is tentatively scheduled for Friday, January 18, 2008 beginning at 10:00 a.m.

There being no further business, Dr. Morgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:40 p.m. The motion was seconded by Dr. Blasingame and unanimously approved by the Board.

Respectfully Submitted,



Dr. Patricia Antero
President



Keith E. Warren
Executive Director