Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine
Public Board Meeting
April 9, 2018

Present: Board Chair: Jennifer Gibbons, ND, Board Members: Robert Skarperud, ND; Lissa McNiel, ND; Tracy Erfling, ND; Keivan Jinnah, ND, LAc; Public Member: Joana Freedman, PT; Joanna Tucker Davis, AAG, Mary-Beth Baptista, Executive Director

Absent: Charles Wiggins, Public Member

Guest: Beth Martin, Executive Director of the Oregon Association Naturopathic Physicians

The Board went into Public Session at 11:19am.

Meeting Minutes: Board member Dr. T. Erfling made a motion to approve the February 12, 2018, executive session minutes, Board member J. Freedman seconded the motion, motion approved unanimously. Board member Dr. T. Erfling made a motion to approve the March 15, 2018, executive session minutes, Board member Dr. K. Jinnah seconded the motion, motion approved unanimously. Board member Dr. R. Skarperud made a motion to approve the February 12, 2018, public session minutes, Board member Dr. T. Erfling seconded the motion, motion approved unanimously. Board member Dr. T. Erfling made a motion to approve the March 15, 2018, public session minutes, Board member Dr. K. Jinnah seconded the motion, motion approved unanimously.

Complaint/Investigation/Discipline Recommendations/Case Resolution Update:

N12-08-23: Board member Dr. T. Erfling made a motion to offer a new settlement agreement with additional ten (10) years of probation. Board member Dr. K. Jinnah seconded the motion, motion approved unanimously.

N17-05-19: Board member Dr. T. Erfling made a motion not to issue proposed discipline and close the case. Board member Dr. K. Jinnah seconded the motion, motion approved unanimously.

Qualifications for Administering IV and Injections: Dr. L. McNiel researched Oregon Laws regarding who can administer IV and Injections under a licensed ND. Dr. L. McNiel will draft a statement of philosophy around the use of unlicensed health care personnel for board review.

Questions have come up whether ND’s can supervise nurses. Under the nursing board rules an ND can supervise nurses.

Ketamine: The Board needs more background information on injectable Ketamine before making a policy statement. Dr. L. McNiel will do some research and bring information to the next public board meeting.
**Mandatory PDMP Registration-HB4143 (Drew Simpson-OHA):** The PDMP is a program to assist physicians who prescribe to patients in Oregon. The PDMP OAR 333-023-0820(8) is to inform physicians to register with the PDMP by July 1. If a Physician doesn’t hold a DEA license the physician is not required to register with the PDMP. A non-prescribing physician may choose to sign up because it is still a useful tool for non-prescribing physician to see if a patient is on medication. North Dakota and Idaho are registered on the PDMP program, Montana will be on board soon, followed by Washington and Colorado.

**Board Chair/Vice Chair Nominations:** Dr. K. Jinnah made a motion to continue having Dr. J. Gibbons as chair, Dr. R. Skarperud seconded the motion, motion approved unanimously. Dr. T. Erfling made a motion that Dr. L. McNiel remain vice chair, Dr. R. Skarperud seconded the motion, motion approved unanimously.

**Directors Report:**

**Legislative Concept Request: ORS 674.345 Limited Liability Program:** If an ND is donating health care services/volunteering they are covered under the limited liability program.

**Formulary Council:** The OBNM office received 5-6 applications to fill the vacant position on the Formulary Council. The Formulary Council voted at the March 12, 2018, to bring on Carmen Ionescu, MD, ND as their new member.

**Board Retreat:** The strategic retreat and public board meeting will be held at Cannery Pier Hotel, June 1-3, 2018. Board members were asked to think about the direction the board should be moving towards for the next two years.

**Probationer Requests for CE approval:** A few CE applications have been submitted by probationers for board approval. CE applications that were submitted are approved.

**Final Administrative Rules Filed & Posted on the Board Website:** MB Baptista, executive director, reported that final rule changes are posted on the board website. OAR 850-050-0010 & 850-050-0190: Adopts Code of Ethics. OAR 850-0035, 0090, 0195: Changes License Renewal Deadline & Eliminates Fine. OAR 850-040-0210: Reduces Overall Number of Continuing Education Credits to Maintain an Active License.

**Public Comment:** No public comment

Board adjourned at approximately 12:46pm.