## Alabama State Board of Podiatry



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## MINUTES Board Meeting Friday, January 19, 2007

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

The meeting was called to order at 2:06 p.m. and the following members were present: Dr. Mark Veres (President), Dr. Robert Russell (Vice-President), Dr. Darron Barrus (Secretary/Treasurer), Dr. Patricia Antero and Dr. James (Jay) Morgan. Also in attendance were Mr. Keith E. Warren (Executive Director), and Ms. Hope Paulene (Executive Assistant). Dr. Tara Blasingame and Randy Reaves (Board Counsel) were not present. 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 in the *Montgomery Advertiser*.

The minutes from the October 20, 2006 Board meeting were presented for approval. Dr. Morgan made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Russell and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren welcomed and introduced Gina Tucker of Tucker Consulting, LLC to the Board. Ms. Tucker is the lobbyist for the Alabama Podiatric Medical Association. The Board discussed with her that it wishes for its pending legislation to be introduced by the Association during the next legislative session. She informed the Board that she would pass its desire onto the Association for further discussion.

Dr. Barrus addressed the Board with the current financial information; the account balance is \$81,647.03. Dr. Morgan made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Russell and unanimously approved by the Board.

Dr. Barrus informed the Board that the balance of the account was \$51,825.74 as of September 29, 2006; and, therefore, \$1,825.74 will be sent to the State General Fund.

Mr. Reaves was not present for the Board Meeting; however, he prepared a report which was presented to the Board by Mr. Warren. (A copy of this report is available in the Board's Official Book of Minutes).

Dr. Antero made a motion to accept the propose rules and regulations as presented for advertisement. The motion was seconded by Dr. Morgan and unanimously carried by the Board.

Mr. Warren informed the Board that each of them will be receiving 1099s soon for Board Compensation. These are being prepared by Debra Henry, CPA.

Dr. Russell made a motion for the Board to add a search engine on its website, <a href="https://www.podiatryboard.alabama.gov">www.podiatryboard.alabama.gov</a> and for the Board staff to coordinate with ISD in getting this established. The motion was seconded by Dr. Morgan and unanimously carried by the Board.

Dr. Veres opened the floor for nominations for President, Vice President, and Secretary/Treasurer.

Dr. Barrus made motion to elect Dr. Antero as President and Dr. Morgan as Vice President. The motion was seconded by Dr. Veres and passed by acclamation.

Dr. Veres made a motion to elect Dr. Barrus as Secretary/Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Dr. Morgan and passed by acclamation.

Dr. Veres requested the Board discuss nominees to replace himself. After discussion, the first choice would be Dr. Angelo K. Agee and the second choice would be Dr. Ronald D. Agee. Dr. Barrus made a motion to approve these two nominations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Russell and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board approved 4 applications to take the Law exam on February 14, 2007.

Mr. Warren announced by next Board meeting scheduled is Friday, April 20, 2007 beginning at 2:00 p.m.

There being no further business, Dr. Barrus made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:04 p.m. The motion was seconded by Dr. Russell and unanimously approved by the Board.

Respectfully Submitted.

r. Mark Veres

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Executive Director