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MINNESOTA BOARD OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE

**Report pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 214.07 Subdivision 1
for the period July 1, 1996 - June 30, 1998**

a. General statement of board activities

The following activities were undertaken by the board during the biennium:

- Appointment of a new Executive Director
- Participated with other health-licensing boards in decisions regarding joint administrative services and moving office locations to University Park Plaza
- Purchased a new computer and printer with Board funds. The data base system was upgraded from dbase to FoxPro, a more user friendly system at little cost to the board
- Infection control rules were adopted through joint rulemaking efforts with other health-licensing boards
- Began work on statute and rule changes to clarify temporary permit language, accept continuing education approval by a national council, and revise the fee structure
- An agreement to accept a composite score from all three parts of the national clinical examination
- Rewriting of the jurisprudence quiz
- Designing and printing of new licenses
- Records were audited by the Legislative Auditors Office and found to be in compliance
- The Executive Director followed legislative hearings and kept Board apprised of issues pertaining to Board, participated in Executive Director's monthly and special meetings, Council of Boards, HPSP, and HIV/HBC program meetings
- Revised renewal forms, form letters, and procedures for tracking continuing education
- Took needed disciplinary action following proper procedures

b. Number of meetings and approximate total hours spent by board members on board activities

During the biennium, the board held eight regular meetings and two special meetings. The Complaint Resolution Panel met three times. A Board representative attended HPSP meetings, two Board members participated in a Hay evaluation meeting, and the Board president attended the Council of Boards meetings. Personal interviews were conducted by individual Board members. Board members spent approximately 180 hours attending meetings. Additionally they spent an uncalculated number of hours reading materials in preparation for these meetings.

c. Receipts and disbursements of board funds

Fiscal Year	<u>FY 1997</u>	<u>FY 1998</u>
Receipts	\$46,000	\$42,000
Disbursements	\$36,000	\$45,000

d. Names of board members, addresses, occupations and dates of appointment to the board

Kim Fjelstad 7373 France Avenue S. #506 Edina, MN 55435	4/93-1/97 1/97-1/01	Doctor of Podiatric Medicine
Jane Jones 2181 Cedar White Bear Lake, MN 55110	4/93-1/97 1/97-1/01	Public Member
William Lockner 517 Medical Arts Building Minneapolis, MN 55402	9/94-1/95 1/95-1/99	Doctor of Podiatric Medicine
Roderic Marschke 204 Nature Way Little Canada, MN 55117	3/98-1/02	Public Member
Stephen Powless 3900 Park Nicollet Boulevard Minneapolis, Minnesota 55416	4/95-1/99 7/99-1/03	Doctor of Podiatric Medicine
Daniel Ryan 2024 S. Sixth Street Brainerd, MN 56401	3/92-1/96 1/96-1/00	Doctor of Podiatric Medicine
Judith Sperling Twin Cities Foot & Ankle Clinic, P.A. 5851 Duluth Street, #101 Golden Valley, MN 55422	4/94-1/98 1/98-1/02	Doctor of Podiatric Medicine
Jean Weitzel 1901 Summit St. Cloud, MN 56303	1/86-1/90 1/90-1/94 1/94-1/98	Public Member

e. Names and job classifications of board employees

Joann Benesh, Executive Director

f. A brief summary of board rules proposed or adopted during reporting period

Infection Control rules adopted by the Board of Podiatric Medicine in cooperation with the Boards of Chiropractic Examiners, Dentistry, Medical Practice, and Nursing as published in the State Register on July 8, 1996.

g. Number of persons having each type of license and registration issued by the board as of June 30, 1998

142 persons were licensed as doctors of podiatric medicine on June 30, 1998
15 persons held temporary permits to practice under supervision on June 30, 1998

h. Location and dates of exams administered by the board

Board staff proctored four national clinical examinations on the first Tuesday of December and the second Tuesday of June of each of the two fiscal years. All examinations were administered at the Board office locations, 2700 University Avenue, St. Paul and 2829 University Avenue, Minneapolis.

i. Number of persons examined by the board

During the biennium 36 persons took the PMLexis (national clinical examination) If a candidate fails the examination they are allowed to retake it so some persons may be counted twice. Of the 36 taking the examination 7 were women, 29 men. Eighteen were from Minnesota, others were from Florida, Indiana, Michigan, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, and Wisconsin. Information on age is not available.

j. Number of persons licensed by the board after taking examinations

Nine persons were licenses by the board after taking the examination

k. Number of persons not licensed or registered by the board after taking the examinations

27 were not licensed after taking the examination. They may have been licensed in other states. Persons licensed in Minnesota may have taken the examination in other states.

l. Number of persons not taking the examinations referred to in clause (h) who were licensed or registered by the board or who were denied licensing or registration

Everyone who becomes licensed in Minnesota must take the PMLexis in Minnesota or in another state. No person was denied licensing upon completion of all requirements.

m. Number of persons previously licensed whose licenses were revoked, suspended, or altered reasons therefore.

One person signed a Stipulation and Order for conditional license. A previous Stipulation and Order was amended. Thirteen persons voluntarily terminated or did not renew during this period.

n. Number of written and oral complaints 1) alleging a violation of statute or rule which the board is empowered to enforce 2) which are forwarded to other agencies

1)14 complaints were received 2) 2 forwarded to other boards. Three remained open at end of report period.

o. Summary of the substance of complaints and dispositions thereof

Of the 14 complaints, seven involved treatment, misdiagnosis, or neglect allegations; others ranged from fee disputes, allegations of others performing services that only podiatrist should perform, falsification of records, racial discrimination, and criminal sexual conduct. As indicated one agreement was signed; three remain open; the others were dismissed for lack of jurisdiction or insufficient evidence to pursue further.

p. Any other objective information which the board members believe will be useful in reviewing board activities.

None

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