## **Board of Podiatry Examiners**



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## OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 7, 2025 VIDEO CONFERENCE

Members Present: Scott Torness, DPM, President

Adam Nichols, DPM, Member Rylan Johnson, DPM, Member

James Johnston, DPM, Secretary-Treasurer, joined at 11:06 a.m. MST

Jeanie Blair, Lay Member

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Brooke Tellinghuisen Geddes, Executive Secretary

Katie Funke, Executive Assistant Megan Borchert, General Counsel

**Call to Order/Welcome and Introductions:** Torness called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m. MST.

**Roll Call:** Tellinghuisen Geddes called the roll. Tornes, yes; Johnston, absent; Nichols, yes; Johnston, yes; Blair, yes. A quorum was present.

**Approval of the agenda:** Nichols made a motion to approve the agenda. Johnson seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment: None.

**Approval of the Minutes from May 9, 2025:** Nichols made a motion to approve the minutes from May 9, 2025. Johnson seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

**FY Financial Update**: Tellinghuisen Geddes reported fiscal year-end figures as of June 30, 2025: revenue of \$35,170.61; expenditures of \$21,770.97 and cash balance of \$39,895.37.

**Renewal Update:** Tellinghuisen Geddes reported that one Podiatrist didn't renew their license for the 2025 renewal period.

Interstate Podiatric Medical Licensure Compact (IPMLC)-Discussion: The board discussed the model language for the Interstate Podiatric Medical Licensure Compact. Borchert noted that this compact is for the purpose of expedited licensure. Following review, the board consensus was that it was interested in joining the compact at this time. The Board raised concerns with cost, investigations and slowing licensure down from an already expedited licensure method South Dakota has through SDCL 36-1D and federal expedited licensing for military members and spouses. The board doesn't feel the compact solves a problem versus expedited licensure and believes it is counterproductive to the expedited licensure methods that already exist in South Dakota.

Annual Review of Open Meeting Laws (SDCL 1-25-13): Borchert presented an overview of the guide to South Dakota's Open Meeting Laws, prepared by the Attorney General's Office as required by SDCL 1-25-13. There were no questions from the Board.

**Schedule Next Meeting:** The next meeting is scheduled for April 17, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. MST/12:00 p.m. CST via Microsoft Teams.

**Any other Business:** Dr. Torness mentioned continuing education outside of APMA or CPME courses as there was a recent inquiry. The board agreed that anything outside of those can be left to the discretion of the Board President.

**Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2:** The board did not have a need to enter Executive Session.

Nichols made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:28 a.m. MST. Johnson seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Brooke Tellinghuisen Geddes

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**Executive Secretary** 

1-27-1.17. Draft minutes of public meeting to be available--Exceptions--Violation as misdemeanor. The unapproved, draft minutes of any public meeting held pursuant to § 1-25-1 that are required to be kept by law shall be available for inspection by any person within ten business days after the meeting. However, this section does not apply if an audio or video recording of the meeting is available to the public on the governing body's website within five business days after the meeting. A violation of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor. However, the provisions of this section do not apply to draft minutes of contested case proceedings held in accordance with the provisions of chapter 1-26.