



Approved
Osteopathic Medical Board of California
Board Meeting Minutes February 13, 2025

**MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

Denise Pines, MBA, *Board President*
Andrew Moreno, Esq., *Vice President*
Gor Adamyan, *Secretary*
John M. Cummins, J.D.
Brett Lockman, D.O.
Matthew Swain, D.O.

**MEMBERS
ABSENT:**

Hemesh Patel, D.O.

**STAFF
PRESENT:**

Erika Calderon, *Executive Director*
Yuping Lin, *Attorney I, Board Legal Counsel*
Kristy Schieldge, *Attorney IV, Regulations Legal Counsel*
Machiko Chong, *SSM I, Licensing Program Unit*
Terri Thorfinnson, *SSM I, Administrative Program Unit*
Ralph Correa, *Probation Monitor*
Beth Clark, *Associate Governmental Program Analyst*
Mia Quinn, *Staff Services Analyst*
Gabriela Gonzalez, *Staff Services Analyst*

**MEMBERS OF
THE AUDIENCE:**

Michelle Monserrat-Ramos, *Consumer Watchdog*
Maria Ibarra-Navarrette, *Consumer Watchdog*
Tracy Dominguez, *Consumer Watchdog*
Monique Himes, *Consumer Watchdog*
Kimberly Turbin, *Consumer Watchdog*
Xavier De Leon, *Consumer Watchdog*
Holly Macriss, *Executive Director, Osteopathic Physician and Surgeons of California (OPSC)*
Judie Bucciarelli, *SSMI, DCA Executive Office*
Harmony DeFilippo, *DCA Budgets*
Kirsten Cox, *DCA Budgets*

Agenda Item 1 Call to Order / Roll Call / Establishment of a Quorum, *Machiko Chong, Staff Services Manager (SSMI)*

The Board Meeting of the Osteopathic Medical Board of California (OMBC) was called to order by Madame President, Denise Pines at 9:06 a.m. The meeting was held at the Department of Consumer Affairs (HQ1) 1625 North Market Blvd (Hearing Room) Sacramento, CA 95834.

Machiko Chong, SSM I, called roll and determined a quorum was present. Due notice was provided to all interested parties.

Agenda Item 2 Reading of the Board's Mission Statement - *Erika Calderon, Executive Director*

Erika Calderon, Executive Director, read the Board's mission statement.

Agenda Item 3 Review and Possible Approval of Board Meeting Minutes- *Beth Clark, Associate Governmental Program Analyst*

- A. Amended August 15, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes
- B. November 14, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes

Agenda Item 3(A) can be found [here](#). Agenda Item 3(B) can be found [here](#). The full audio of the Agenda Item 3 can be heard [here](#).

Madame President, Denise Pines called for a motion to adopt the Amended August 15, 2024, and November 14, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes.

Motion – Dr. Swain

Second – Gor Adamyan Call Vote Taken

- Cummins – Aye
- Lockman – Aye
- Moreno – Aye
- Pines – Aye
- Swain – Aye

Motion carried to adopt the Amended August 15, 2024, and November 14, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes.

Agenda Item 4 Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda, *Denise Pines, Board President*

The Board may not discuss or take action on any matter raised during this public comment section except to decide whether to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting

(Government Code sections 11125, 11125.7(a).)

Madame President, Denise Pines, opened public comment for items not on the

agenda and reminded the public and the Board Members that comments are welcome under the open meetings act. The Board may not take action on issues raised by public comment that are not on the agenda other than to decide if the issue will be added to a future meeting. The full audio of Agenda Item 4 can be heard [here](#).

No comments from the public in attendance.
No comments from the public online.

Agenda Item 5 President's Report - *Denise Pines, Board President*

Madame President, Denise Pines addressed the President's Report. The Board has worked hard in the first and second quarters of the fiscal year 2024-2025 to meet objectives for enhancing consumer protection and the Board is dedicated to advancing consumer protection goals. Director Calderon has been instrumental in shaping meeting agendas and progressing Board projects.

Madame President, Denise Pines took a moment to address recent discussion from the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) amongst the updates she provided were how other states have enacted legislation to allow for international licensure pathways to increase the physician workforce.

The full audio of Agenda Item 5 can be heard [here](#).

Madame President, Denise Pines opened public comment on Agenda Item 5.
No comments from the public in attendance.
No comments from the public online.

Agenda Item 6 Board Member Communications with Interested Parties - *Denise Pines, Board President*

Madame President, Denise Pines asked the Board Members if they had any disclosures to announce.

The full audio of Agenda Item 6 can be heard [here](#).

Madame President, Denise Pines opened public comment on Agenda Item 6.
No comments from the public in attendance.
No comments from the public online.

Agenda Item 7 Intergovernmental Relations Reports and Administrative Services Update

A. DCA Update – Judie Bucciarelli, SSML, DCA Executive Office

Governor's 2025-26 Proposed State Budget

Governor Newsom released his proposed 2025-26 State budget on January 10th, which included eight Budget Change Proposals (BCPs) for DCA's boards and bureaus. Additionally, DCA's vacancy reduction and government efficiency plans were approved by the Department of Finance and may be made official in the

Spring revisions.

The Governor remains committed to funding resources to address California's housing and homelessness crisis. Included in the Governor's proposed budget is the creation of a dedicated California Housing and Homeless Agency. The Department of Consumer Affairs and other regulators currently under the Business and Consumer Services and Housing Agency would form a Consumer Protection Agency.

This is an extraordinary opportunity for DCA to better align with other consumer protection entities as one Consumer Protection Agency. With a Consumer Protection Agency Secretary within the Governor's cabinet, this is an exciting opportunity that will only strengthen our mission, momentum, and delivery of services to California.

The Governor's reorganization proposal will be reviewed by the non-partisan Little Hoover Commission and the Legislature in the Spring. As more information is available, DCA will continue to keep board leadership updated.

FORM 700 Filing Changes Effective January 1, 2025

The Governor signed AB 1170 (Chapter 211, Statutes of 2024, Valencia), which requires board members to file their Form 700s electronically with the Fair Political Practice Commission (FPPC) using the FPPC's electronic filing system.

Effective January 1 of this year, DCA Board Members MUST file Form 700s through the FPPC's online system. Filings will no longer be filed via the NetFile portal that DCA board members have been using for many years. Additionally, paper filings will not be accepted.

On January 2nd, 2025, the FPPC emailed all board members with a link to the FPPC portal and login information. As a reminder, the Annual Form 700 Filing deadline is Tuesday, April 1, 2025. Please contact Board and Bureau Relations with questions regarding the new requirements at MemberRelations@dca.ca.gov.

President's Training – February 19, 2025

DCA invites presidents and vice presidents to attend our annual President's training on February 19, 2025, from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm. This virtual training is for board members who are new to the role of president or vice president, and those who have served in the role for a year or more. The training will review the role of a board president, communication best practices with the Executive Officer and board members, as well as the President's administrative duties. It also includes a panel of prior board members who will share their knowledge and expertise, and answer questions from attendees. Learning from each other is a large part of this training and we look forward to seeing all presidents and vice presidents. Please register online using DCA's Learning Management System also referred to as LMS.

Board and Bureau Relations Team

An update regarding DCA's Board and Bureau Relations Team. Yvonne Dorantes served as the Assistant Deputy Director of Board and Bureau Relations since

October of 2022. On December 6, the Governor appointed Yvonne as the Assistant Deputy Director of Legislative and Government Affairs at the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services. Yvonne's last day at DCA was December 31. We appreciate Yvonne's dedication to the Board and Bureau Relations team and wish her well in her new role.

Message from the Director

Director Kirchmeyer would like to thank the Board and the staff for their hard work and partnership last year. She is excited about 2025 and the many opportunities that await us. Your dedication to protect CA consumers is appreciated.

The full audio of Agenda Item 7(a) can be found [here](#).

Madame President Pines opened comments for Agenda Item 7(a).

The Board Members discussed the Intergovernmental Relations and Administrative report with Ms. Bucciarelli.

Comments from the Board Members can be heard [here](#). Comments were made by:
Denise Pines, Board President
Brett Lockman, DO, Board Member

No comments from the public in attendance.

No comments from the public online.

B. Budget Update - Harmony DiFilippo, SSML, and Kirsten Cox, Budget Analyst,
DCA's Budget Office

Ms. Cox from the DCA's Budget Office provided an update on the Board's budget. The Board Meeting materials can be found [here](#). The full audio of Agenda Item 7(b) can be heard [here](#).

Madame President Pines opened comments for Agenda Item 7(b).

The Board Members discussed the Budget report with DCA Budget Staff.

Comments from the Board Members can be heard [here](#). Comments were made by:
Gor Adamyan, Board Member
Erika Calderon, Director

No comments from Board Members or the public in attendance.

No comments from the public online.

Agenda Item 8 Aging Brain Presentation-*Richard Reimer, D.O., Professor, Touro University Medical Group*

Dr. Reimer presented on the aging brain.

The full audio of Agenda Item 8 can be heard [here](#).

The Board Members discussed the presentation with Dr. Reimer.

Madame President Pines opened comments on Agenda Item 8.

Comments from the Board Members can be heard [here](#). Comments were made by:

Denise Pines, Board President

Brett Lockman, Board Member

No comments from the public in attendance.

No comments from the public online.

15 MINUTE BREAK

Machiko Chong, Licensing Program Manager, called roll and determined a quorum was present.

Agenda Item 9 Executive Director's Report - *Erika Calderon, Executive Director*
(*Administrative services, including personnel, and technology updates*)

Executive Director, Erika Calderon, provided updates on the Board's personnel, administrative functions projects and an annual strategic plan review.

The Board Meeting materials for Agenda Item 9 can be found [here](#). The full audio of Agenda Item 9 can be found [here](#).

Madame President, Denise Pines opened comments on Agenda Item 9.

Comments from the Board Members can be heard [here](#). Comments were made by:

Denise Pines, Board President

Brett Lockman, DO, Board Member

Erika Calderon, Executive Director

Comments from the public attending remotely can be heard [here](#). Comments were made by:

Michele Monserratt-Ramos, Consumer Watchdog

Tracy Dominguez, Consumer Watchdog

Monique Himes, Consumer Watchdog

Maria Ibarra- Navarrette, Consumer Watchdog

Agenda Item 10 Licensing Program Summary, including licensing unit updates, and statistics – Mia Quinn, Staff Services Analyst

Mia Quinn, Staff Services Analyst, provided a licensing unit summary, including licensing unit updates and statistics.

The board meeting materials can be found [here](#). Full audio of Agenda Item 10 can be heard [here](#).

Madame President Pines opened comments on Agenda Item 10.

Board Members discussed the Licensing Program Summary and received answers from Board staff.

Comments from the Board Members can be heard [here](#). Comments were made by:
Machiko Chong, Licensing Program Manager
Erika Calderon, Executive Director
Denise Pines, Board President
Mathew Swain, Board Member
Brett Lockman, DO, Board Member

No comments from public in attendance.
No comments from the public online.

Agenda Item 11 Administrative Services Program Summary, including licensing unit updates, and statistics - Terri Thorfinnson, (SSMI)

Ms. Thorfinnson, Administrative Services Program Manager, provided an update on the administrative services program, and statistics for the Administrative Services Program. The board meeting materials can be found [here](#). Full audio of Agenda Item 11 can be heard [here](#).

Madame President Pines opened comments on Agenda Item 11.

Board Members discussed the Administrative Services Program Summary and had their questions answered by Ms. Thorfinnson and Director Calderon.

Comments from the Board Members can be heard [here](#). Comments were made by:
Terri Thorfinnson, Administrative Services Program Manager
Erika Calderon, Executive Director

No comments from the public in attendance.
No comments from the public online.

Agenda Item 12 Enforcement Program Summary, including enforcement unit updates, and statistics – Cristy Livramento, Lead Enforcement Program Analyst

Ms. Livramento gave an update on the Board's Enforcement Program, including enforcement unit updates and statistics, which was included in the board meeting material [here](#). The full audio of Agenda Item 12 can be found [here](#).

Madame President Pines opened comments on Agenda Item 12.

Comments from the Board Members can be heard [here](#). Comments were made by:
Erika Calderon, Executive Director
Denise Pines, Board President
Gor Adamyan, Board Member

Comments from the public in attendance can be heard [here](#). Comments were made by:

Holly Macriss, Executive Director, OPSC

Comments from the public attending remotely can be heard [here](#). Comments were made by:

Monique Himes, Consumer Watchdog
Michele Monserratt-Ramos, Consumer Watchdog
Maria Ibarra-Navarrette, Consumer Watchdog
Tracy Dominguez, Consumer Watchdog

Agenda Item 13 Probation Program Summary, including probation unit updates and statistics - *Ralph Correa, Probation Monitor*

Mr. Correa, Probation Monitor, presented the total number of probationers, new probationers, non-compliant probationers, and the diversion program statistics. The licensee website and all discipline summaries are now up to date. The Board meeting materials can be found [here](#). The full audio of Agenda Item 13 can be found [here](#).

Madame President Pines opened comments on Agenda Item 13.

No comments from the Board Members were made.
No comments from the public in attendance.

Comments from the public attending remotely can be heard [here](#). Comments were made by:

Tracy Dominguez, Consumer Watchdog

45 MINUTE BREAK FOR LUNCH

Machiko Chong, Licensing Program Manager, called roll and determined a quorum was present.

Agenda Item 14 Interested Parties/Consumer Complaint Tutorial Video, *Erika Calderon – Executive Director*

Ms. Calderon, Director, presented the proposed Consumer Complaint Tutorial Video script. The Board meeting materials can be found [here](#). The full audio of Agenda Item 14 can be found [here](#).

Madame President Pines opened comments on Agenda Item 14.

Comments from the Board Members can be heard [here](#). Comments were made by:
Denise Pines, Board President
Erika Calderon, Director
Brett Lockman, Board Member

No comments from the public in attendance.

Comments from the public attending remotely can be heard [here](#). Comments were made by:

Maria Ibarra-Navarrette, Consumer Watchdog

Agenda Item 15 Rulemaking Update-2024 Rulemaking for Pending or Proposed Regulations-Terri Thorfinnson, *Administrative Services Program Manager*

Terri Thorfinnson, Administrative Services Manager, presented an update on the 2024 pending and proposed regulations as set forth in the meeting materials.

Madame President Pines opened comments on Agenda Item 15.

No comments from the Board Members were made.

No comments from the public in attendance.
No comments from the public online.

Agenda Item 16

Discussion and Possible Actions on Rulemaking Proposal to Amend Sections 1635, 1636, 1638, 1641, 1646, 1659.30, 1659.31, 1659.32, 1659.33, 1659.34 and 1659.35 and Repeal Sections 1639 and 1640 in Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations (16 CCR) (Requirements for Continuing Medical Education and Citation and Fines) - Terri Thorfinnson, Administrative Services Program Manager and Kristy Schieldge, Attorney IV, Legal Affairs Regulations Unit, DCA

A. Consideration of Public Comments Received During the Public Comment Period and/or Hearing and Proposed Responses Thereto

Ms. Thorfinnson provided an overview of the memo and all its attachments that the members would be reviewing which included the Board's original proposed text and repealed forms and documents added to the rulemaking file. These included the repealed AMA CME Guide, the repealed AOA CME Guide, an addendum to the initial statement of reasons (ISOR) which provides the rational for new proposed language recommendations, and a copy of Assembly Bill (AB) No. 487. In addition, the packet included a copy of the notice of hearing on proposed regulations, a copy of the certified hearing transcripts, and all of the regulatory comments received during the

public comment period with proposed staff responses at Attachments 3-5). Attachment 6 included a clean copy of the modified text and Repealed CME Guides, which the Board needs to review and approve at this meeting. Ms. Thorfinnson turned it over to Ms. Kristy Schieldge to add anything to the overview.

Ms. Schieldge explained that overall there were two issues that the members needed to look at. The first being the comments that were received during the public comment period and staff summaries of these comments along with staff proposed responses to the comments. If members agree with the proposed responses the members would need to make a motion to approve the responses to include them in the rulemaking file. The second is a consideration for a possible language change to the text that was originally noticed that was covered in Attachment 6.

Ms. Thorfinnson explained to the members that Board staff was proposing a rejection of all CME comments but proposing some modified text and the reason behind the rejection was that all comments included mainly policy changes that would require a statutory change since the CME requirements are written in statute and not in regulations and the Board's intent behind this regulatory packet is to align our regulations with our current statutory requirements.

Ms. Thorfinnson proceeded to explain the 45-day public comment period process to the members and explained that the Board received a request for a hearing during this comment period which the Board granted and furthermore extended the written comment period to allow for the Board to accept written public comment up until the day of the public hearing until 12 p.m. Ms. Thorfinnson then proceeded to direct the members to the comments received as set forth in the meeting materials and the staff's suggested responses.

At this point Ms. Thorfinnson asks if there are any questions from the members and after seeing none, she turns to Ms. Schieldge to see if this would be the appropriate time for the Board to make a motion. Ms. Schieldge verified that there were no questions from the Board and proceeded to direct the members to page fifteen of their meeting materials memo.

Madame President called for a motion to approve the proposed regulatory language.

Dr. Brett Lockman, Board Member made the following motion, which was seconded by John Cummins, Board member:

Direct staff to proceed as recommended to reject the adverse comments as specified and provide the responses to all comments as indicated in the staff recommended responses as set forth in the meeting materials.

Dr. Mathew Swain commented that before the Board moves to vote that he wishes to address the concerns coming from the directors of OPSC in comment seven regarding the expansion of the cite and fine authority. Ms. Schieldge explained that the Board is limited on the types of violations it can issue a citation and fine for because current regulations have a "punch list" of citable violations. Ms. Schieldge further explained that Business and Professions Code Section 125.9 allows the Board to issue a citation for any violation of the applicable licensing act or any regulation adopted by this board. In

her experience, most of the boards and bureaus at this Department are going in the direction of allowing their Executive Officer, Executive Director, or Bureau Chief to have the authority to exercise their discretion in determining whether to issue a citation and fine to allow for a lower-level opportunity to resolve a violation. So, for items that are not on the citable violation list the Board would currently only have the option of going directly to discipline to correct the violation.

Ms. Schieldge further explained how older Boards including the Medical Board of California have recently moved away from old policy of having a list of citable violations and currently have their citation and fine regulations say they have the authority to issue a citation and fine for any violation of any law or regulation or under their jurisdiction. Ms. Schieldge stated that the Medical Board of California adopted this new regulation last year after it was approved by the Office of Administrative Law. Ms. Schieldge pointed out that these same concerns were raised by CMA, and the answer really is that the Board's Executive Director is under your supervision and control, and if there are any issues raised with the exercise of the Director's discretion, the Board ultimately has the as to whether to uphold any citation issued by the Director. So, if the Executive Director ever issued a citation that the Board didn't agree with, the Board could simply dismiss it and then the Board would give direction to the Director and Board staff as to how the Board would like staff to consider those cases going forward in its decision. In addition, the proposal contains factors that the Executive Director must apply in every case that sets the Board's policy as to how the Director decides when to issue a citation and fine. The other matter raised by Ms. Schieldge was that the Board has the authority to issue fines up to \$5000 for each violation and this Board has decided in this proposal that they're only going to issue fines up to \$2500 for most violations and only under certain exceptional circumstances would the fine go up to \$5000.

Dr. Matthew Swain responded that he believed that the responses given personally answered his question, and he feels that he understands the process and how this can avoid having to go straight to discipline which can have greater implications to physicians.

The motion was re-confirmed that Dr. Brett Lockman moved and John Cummins seconded the following motion:

Direct staff to proceed as recommended to reject the adverse comments as specified and provide the responses to all comments as indicated in the staff recommended

responses as set forth in the meeting materials. No comments from the public in attendance.

Public comment online received by Alicia Sanchez from the California Medical Association (CMA). Ms. Sanchez stated that she was speaking on behalf of the California Medical Association, and she would like to thank board staff for taking the time to review and respond to their comments and for the discussion today. CMA recommends that the Board maintain the established list of citable offenses. CMA believes that getting a clear list of statutes and regulations eligible for citation and fine would provide physicians and consumers with more transparency about how the board will handle specific deviations

from the law. For this reason, we ask the board to reconsider using a specific list of statutory and regulatory code sections eligible for citation and fine if violated.

Dr. Brett Lockman proceeds to ask if the Board could clarify if the amendments to 1659.33 include citations for unlicensed practice. Ms. Schieldge advised that the proposed language would only delete existing text that limited the Board's unlicensed activity authority to those who have allowed their licenses to lapse. So, what that means is, with this proposed change (and this is consistent with the California Medical Board and other boards in this Department), anyone that's practicing medicine without a license is potentially subject to citation and the citation amount is \$5000. After continued discussion between Ms. Schieldge, Ms. Thorfinnson and Ms. Calderon to clarify the Boards limitations to unlicensed practice Dr. Brett Lockman confirmed that his motion stands.

Ms. Pines requested that Ms. Chong once again call roll for a vote on the motion on the table.

Ms. Chong called role and the votes are recorded as the following:

- Gor Adamyan-Aye
- John Cummins-Aye
- Dr. Lockman-Aye
- Andrew Moreno – Aye
- Denise Pines – Aye
- Dr. Swain – Aye

Motion Carries.

B. Discussion and Possible Action to Consider Adoption of Proposed Amendments to 16 CCR Sections 1635, 1636, 1638, 1641, 1646, 1659.30, 1659.31, 1659.32, 1659.33, 1659.34 and 1659.35 and Repeal of 16 CCR Sections 1639 and 1640.

Ms. Thorfinnson proceeded to explain that the second motion includes two parts: adding repealed documents back to the rulemaking file that were missed when going out for public comment and approving modified text. Ms. Thorfinnson pointed out that a concern was raised by a board member about the current language related to out of state practice and being eligible for an exemption from CME for pain management. Upon review by staff and Regulations Counsel, Board staff wanted to narrow and clarify language that further defined who should really be eligible.

Ms. Schieldge further discussed AB 487 that enacted the pain management course at Business and Professions Code section 2190.5 and gave the Board the authority to establish exemptions; the exemption list included physicians that do not reside in California. However, there was nothing in the legislative history for AB 487 that she could find that documented why this exemption was given and no concerns were brought up while the legislation was going through about those physicians who may be practicing telehealth since telehealth was not much of a big deal in 2001 as it is today. Furthermore, Ms. Schieldge explained how the Board's telehealth statute at Business and Professions Code section 2290.5 was actually enacted a decade later and it made no reference to this earlier-enacted statute, the discretionary exemptions in Section

2190.5 were never revisited, and the statute may not have contemplated that the Board would have out-of- state physicians treating California patients via telehealth.

Ms. Schieldge thanked Board member John Cummins for bringing this matter to the Board's attention. To make sure that there is no disparate treatment between physicians that are practicing in California providing the same services as those physicians that are out of state, Board staff is proposing that the language be amended to limit the exemptions to physicians that are not providing direct patient care. She advised the Board to review page 17, which refers to physicians not engaged in direct patient care, meaning direct patient care being provided either by face-to-face interaction with a patient located in California or personal contact with a patient located in California. Then the proposal lists examples of the kinds of treatments and interactions considered direct patient care. Then there's a definition proposed to be added for personal contact which shall include communication by any method of direct interaction with the patient or via telehealth.

These changes should address the problem identified and ensure consistent application of the exemptions. The modified text would clarify that if you're not providing patient care to a California patient, wherever you reside, you're exempt. So, the Board would be treating people in state and out of state the same way depending on the kind of care they're providing to California patients. Ms. Schieldge explained that the intent of the proposed amendments is to address this loophole. Ms. Schieldge reviewed the amendments, line by line, starting on page 17 as set forth in the meeting materials.

Madame President Pines called for a motion. Board Member John Cummins made the following motion, which was seconded by Dr. Mathew Swain:

To approve the documents added to the rulemaking file in Attachment 2 and the proposed modified text in Attachment 6 and direct staff to take all steps necessary to complete the rulemaking process, including sending out the modified text and notice of the addition of documents added to the rulemaking file for an additional 15-day comment period. If after the 15-day public comment period, no adverse comments are received, authorize the Executive Director to make any non-substantive changes to the proposed regulations and the rulemaking documents, and adopt the proposed regulations as provided in the modified text in Attachment 6.

No comments were received from the public in attendance.
No comments were received from the public online.

Madame President Pines requested that Ms. Chong call roll on the motion.

Ms. Chong calls role and the votes are recorded as the following:

- Gor Adamyan-Aye
- John Cummins-Aye
- Dr. Lockman-Aye
- Andrew Moreno – Aye
- Denise Pines – Aye
- Dr. Swain – Aye

Motion Carries.

Agenda Item 17 Election of Officers, Erika Calderon – *Executive Director*

Ms. Calderon, Director, presented the election of officers. The full audio of Agenda Item 17 can be found [here](#).

For Board President a nomination was made for Denise Pines by Board Member Gor Adamyan and a second nomination for Denise Pines was made by Dr. Mathew Swain.

Machiko calls role and the votes are recorded as the following:

- Gor Adamyan-Aye
- John Cummins-Aye
- Dr. Lockman-Aye
- Andrew Moreno – Aye
- Denise Pines – Aye
- Dr. Swain – Aye

Motion Carries.

For Board Vice President a nomination was made for Dr. Hamesh Patel by Board Member Andrew Moreno and a second nomination for Dr. Hamesh Patel was made by John Cummings.

Machiko calls role and the votes are recorded as the following:

- Gor Adamyan-Aye
- John Cummins-Aye
- Dr. Lockman-Aye
- Andrew Moreno – Aye
- Denise Pines – Aye
- Dr. Swain – Aye

Motion Carries.

For Board Secretary a nomination was made for Gor Adamyan by Board President Denise Pines and a second nomination for Gor Adamyan was made by Board Member Andrew Moreno.

Machiko calls role and the votes are recorded as the following:

- Gor Adamyan-Aye
- John Cummins-Aye
- Dr. Lockman-Aye
- Andrew Moreno – Aye
- Denise Pines – Aye
- Dr. Swain – Aye

Motion Carries.
No comments from the public in attendance.
No comments from the public online.

Agenda Item 18 Future Agenda Items and Meeting Dates, *Denise Pines, Board President*

Madame President, Denise Pines discusses the next proposed meeting dates and locations as follow:

May 15, 2025 – *Western University*
August 14, 2025-*Touro University*
November 13, 2025-*Department of Consumer Affairs Headquarters*

A comment was made by Dr. Brett Lockman to propose a presentation on the corporate practice of medicine.

The full audio for Agenda Item 18 can be heard [here](#).

Comments from the public can be heard [here](#). Comments were made by:
Holly Macriss, *OPSC*

Agenda Item 19 The Board will hold Discussion and Possible Action regarding the Board's Executive Director exempt level increase – *Denise Pines, MBA*

Madame President Pines presented the materials on the possible action regarding the Board's Executive Director exempt level increase and explains how this position hasn't received a level increase in over 30 years.

Madam Board President Pines calls for a motion.

Gor Adamyan, Board Member makes a motion.
Dr. Mathew Swain, Board member seconds the motion.

The board meeting materials can be found [here](#). The full audio for Agenda Item 19 can be heard [here](#).

Comments from the public can be heard [here](#). Comments were made by:

Kimberly Turbin, Consumer Watchdog
Michele Monserratt-Ramos, Consumer Watchdog
Maria Ibarra-Navarrette, Consumer Watchdog
Tracy Dominguez, Consumer Watchdog

Agenda 20 CLOSED SESSION and Adjournment

Deliberation on disciplinary matters, including proposed decision, non-adopt proposed decisions, and stipulations (Government Code section 11126 (c)(3).)

Pursuant to Government Code section 11126(a)(1) the Board will conduct the annual performance evaluation and consider the salary of its Executive Officer.

Adjourned at 5:22 pm.