

Tennessee Board of Osteopathic Examiners Special Teleconference Meeting Friday, December 5, 2014

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A Special Meeting of the Tennessee Board of Osteopathic Examiners was called to order at 9 a.m. in the Iris Room, Ground Floor, Metro Center Complex, 665 Mainstream Drive, Nashville, Tennessee 37243 by Dr. Polk, Board President.

Board members present:	Donald Polk, DO Jeffrey Hamre, DO J. Michael Wieting, DO Shant Garabedian, DO Karen Shepherd, DO
Board member(s) absent:	Robert Fletcher Lance, Consumer Member
Staff present:	Maegan Carr Martin, Executive Director Stacy Tarr, Administrative Director Devin Wells, Deputy General Counsel

The necessary number of Board members joined the teleconference and a quorum was established. Board of Osteopathic Examiners Chair, Donald Polk, DO, called the meeting to order.

Ms. Martin made opening remarks to the Board and provided an overview of the requirements for a special meeting by teleconference. All of the requirements were satisfied.

Ms. Martin stated this meeting was initially scheduled to satisfy the requirements of T.C.A § 4-5-320, which requires that a licensee whose license is summarily suspended may request an informal hearing on the board's action within seven (7) business days of the suspension. The licensee in question, Dr. Brett Bolton, requested the hearing; however, the Board's Administrative Office received notice from his counsel on December 4th that Dr. Bolton would be waiving this informal hearing. Notice was not delivered before the Board granted an applicant for licensures request to be interviewed. The Board agreed to proceed with the scheduled interview of Bradley Hall, DO.

Dr. Shepherd made a motion, seconded by Dr. Hamre, to proceed to conduct the meeting electronically. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Polk stated all applications are reviewed by a consultant or a member of the board. If there are any questions regarding the application, the applicant is asked to come in for an interview.

Dr. Hamre stated he reviewed Dr. Hall's file and noticed outstanding liability claims. One case was reported and one is still open. Dr. Hamre also had questions regarding Dr. Hall's work history.

Dr. Hall stated he worked with a large neurosurgery group for five years and transitioned to Winston Salem, NC. In North Dakota he spent two weekends doing Locum Tenens work. Dr. Hall has been in practice for about seven years and was recruited by Blount Memorial Hospital, East Tennessee Medical Group. Dr. Hall currently has active licenses in the states of Michigan, Florida and North Carolina. Dr. Hall stated the North Dakota license is expired, due to it only being Locum Tenens work. Dr. Hall discussed the two liability cases with the board. He confirmed that one of the cases has settled.

After a thorough interview, Dr. Wieting made a motion, seconded by Dr. Shepherd, to approve the application of Bradley Hall, DO. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:24 a.m.