



## **MEETING MINUTES**

Saturday, January 5, 2013  
Fairmont Scottsdale Princess—Scottsdale, AZ  
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM

### **Members Present:**

Dana Shaffer, DO, President, AAOE, Iowa Board of Medicine  
Geraldine O'Shea, DO, Vice-President, AAOE, Osteopathic Medical Board of California  
Scott Steingard, DO, Secretary- Treasurer, AAOE, Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and Surgery  
James Andriole, DO, Immediate Past President, AAOE, Florida Board of Osteopathic Medicine  
William Barkman, DO, New Mexico Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners  
Ronald Burns, DO, Chair, Florida Board of Osteopathic Medicine  
Mary Jo Capodice, DO, Wisconsin Medical Licensing Board  
Randel C. Gibson, DO, Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure  
James F. Griffin, DO, Rhode Island Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline  
Anna Hayden, DO, Florida Board of Osteopathic Medicine  
Ernest Miller, DO, President, West Virginia Board of Osteopathic Medicine  
C. Michael Ogle, DO, Oklahoma State Board of Osteopathic Examiners  
Donald Polk, DO, Tennessee Board of Osteopathic Examination  
Joseph Provenzano, DO, President, Osteopathic Medical Board of California  
George J. Scott, DO, President, New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners  
Anita Steinbergh, DO, President, State Medical Board of Ohio  
Michael Thompson, DO, Iowa Board of Medicine  
Joseph R. Willett, DO, CRC Member, Minnesota Board of Medical Practice

### **AOA Staff/Leaders:**

Sydney Olson, AOA Associate Executive Director, Advocacy and Government Relations  
Linda Mascheri, Director, AOA Department of State, Affiliate & International Affairs  
Nicholas A. Schilligo, MS, Director, AOA Division of State Government Affairs

- I. Dana Shaffer, DO, called the meeting to order at 2:30 PM.
- II. Dr. Shaffer presented the agenda for approval. Don Polk, DO, made a motion to approve the agenda; seconded by Geraldine O'Shea, DO. Approved unanimously.
- III. Dr. Shaffer presented the October 8, 2012, meeting minutes and asked if any amendments would be offered. Dr. O'Shea made a motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Dr. Shaffer. The minutes were approved with one abstention: Anita Steinbergh, DO.

- IV. Dr. Shaffer presented recommended changes to the organization's bylaws per the October 8, 2012, discussion. Dr. Shaffer explained that the proposed changes were an extension of fellowship eligibility to three years after state board service concluded. He stated that this change was approved in 2003 but was never incorporated. Since the bylaws have been voted on several times since then, the Executive Committee felt it was appropriate to have this discussed and approved by the fellows again. The remainder of the changes were technical corrections. Dr. Shaffer asked for discussion.
  - a. Don Polk, DO, stated that as amended Article I, section (9) is in conflict with Article I section (8). An amendment was proposed, discussed and adopted.
  - b. There was no further discussion. Randel Gibson, DO, made a motion to accept amendments as amended; seconded by Dr. Shaffer. Approved unanimously.
- V. Dr. Shaffer provided an update on the Osteopathic International Alliance meeting in Paris. He mentioned that he invited a member of the Australian osteopathy regulatory board to the Summit and his desire to improve communication and collaboration with those that regulate osteopaths outside of the United States.
- VI. Dr. O'Shea provided an update on the International Association of Medical Regulatory Authorities meeting. She discussed medical regulation issues in Jamaica and Africa relating to discipline and regulation and licensure of clinics.
- VII. Dr. Shaffer then discussed upcoming AAOE Elections that will occur during the 2013 FSMB meeting in April. Dr. Shaffer announced his appointments to the 2013 AAOE Nominating Committee: Boyd Buser, DO (Chair), Ron Burns, DO, and Dana Shaffer, DO (as President).
  - a. Dr. Shaffer stated that they are seeking candidates for President, Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer and described how the process has worked in the past.
  - b. Mary Jo Capodice, DO, asked whether absentee ballots are accepted. Dr. Shaffer responded that rules require fellows to be present to vote.
- VIII. Dr. Shaffer then discussed future meetings of the AAOE.
  - a. He asked attendees to discuss plans for meeting at the FSMB Annual Meeting in Boston on April 18-20. It was decided that the meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 17 from 7-9PM. This meeting will be a Business Meeting only.
  - b. Dr. Shaffer stated that the 2013 OMED Meeting will take place on Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup> from 2:30-4PM.
  - c. He also mentioned that the 2014 Summit is scheduled for January 11-12 in Austin, TX, and that the Osteopathic International Alliance is meeting at the same time. Discussion occurred on possible shared sessions with the OIA and OME. The Executive Committee will obtain more details and establish the meeting dates/times.
- IX. Dr. Shaffer moved to the FSMB elections that will take place at their upcoming meeting in April. Dr. Shaffer led the discussion of potential FSMB candidates from the AAOE fellowship.
  - a. Dr. Polk stated that he will be running for the Chair-elect position. Dr. O'Shea discussed his nomination and called on fellows to advocate for his candidacy and encourage their board to vote for Dr. Polk.
  - b. Dr. Shaffer also discussed the importance of getting involved in the FSMB Nominating Committee as a first step toward board interest.

- c. Ernest Miller, DO, stated his intent to run for the board and discussed his candidacy.
  - d. Anna Hayden, DO, announced her intent to run for the Nominating Committee in April. Dr. Hayden also discussed the importance of letting Dr. Thomas and Polk of getting involved in other committees so that they are prepared to run for the board and other higher up positions.
- X. Dr. Shaffer then moved to new business. There was discussion of the FSMB moving from using the terminology, “state medical and osteopathic boards” to “state medical boards” in official communications. It was determined that AAOE leadership would investigate this issue. If it is determined that this change has occurred, or is planning to occur, the organization will submit a resolution to the FSMB House of Delegates supporting the continuation of the former as the official description of the constituency represented by the organization.
- XI. Nicholas A. Schilligo, MS, discussed board related activities planned by the AOA Division of State Government Affairs in 2013. Mr. Schilligo provided an overview of AOA plans to work closely with the Maryland, Michigan and the five osteopathic boards on issues they are facing relating to osteopathic representation and changes in graduate medical education accreditation. Discussion followed.
- XII. Dr. Shaffer asked staff to send a letter of recognition and appreciation to the AOA, NBOME and all presenters for their support of the meeting.
- XIII. Dr. Shaffer, seeing no additional comments, asked for a motion to adjourn. Dr. Steinbergh made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Dr. O’Shea. Motion was unanimously adopted.
- XIV. Meeting adjourned at 3:37 PM