

**PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
July 15, 2022**

ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Physician Assistant Committee was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Tamara Dolphens, PA-C, Chairperson in the Husker Conference Room, of the Hampton Inn & Suites, located at 7343 Husker Circle, Lincoln, Nebraska 68504. The meeting was held In-Person and by WebEx. The following members answered the initial roll call:

Tamara Dolphens, PA-C, Chairperson by WebEx
Nicole Schwensow, PA-C - Vice Chairperson
Corrigan McBride, MD by WebEx

Absent: Merle Henkenius, Secretary
John Massey, MD

A quorum was present, and the meeting convened. Present from the Department was Jesse Cushman, Program Manager and Jan Gadeken-Harris, Health Licensing Coordinator; Mindy Lester, Assistant Attorney General by WebEx; Suzanna Glover-Ettrich, DHHS Department Attorney by WebEx; Anna Harrison, Compliance Monitor, with the DHHS Licensing and Investigations by WebEx and Kathleen Kruger, Investigator with the Investigation Unit.

Dolphens announced that there is a copy of all the public documents being reviewed at this meeting available in the meeting room pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.

In accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-1411 of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, copies of the agenda were e-mailed to the Committee members and other interested parties, posted on the DHHS web site at <https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Agendas-and-Minutes.aspx>, and posted in the Licensure Unit on July 1, 2022.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Schwensow moved, seconded by McBride, to adopt the agenda as presented. Voting aye: Dolphens, McBride and Schwensow. Voting nay: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Henkenius and Massey. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Schwensow moved, seconded by McBride to approve the meeting minutes of May 6, 2022 as written. Voting aye: Dolphens, McBride and Schwensow. Voting nay: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Henkenius and Massey. Motion carried.

2022 LEGISLATION UPDATES

There were no comments at this time.

REGULATIONS UPDATE

There were no updates at this time.

INVESTIGATIONAL REPORTS – CLOSED SESSION

McBride moved, seconded by Schwensow to go into closed session at 2:03 p.m. for the purpose of review and discussion of investigative reports, licensure applications, and other confidential information, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals. Voting aye: Dolphens, McBride and Schwensow. Voting nay: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Henkenius and Massey. Motion carried.

The committee members returned to Open Session at 3:34 p.m.

APPLICATION(S) REVIEW – OPEN SESSION

There were no applications for review at this time.

COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

The next Physician Assistant Committee meeting is scheduled September 30, 2022.

The schedule for 2022 is listed on the DHHS website:
<https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Agendas-and-Minutes.aspx>

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Dolphens, Chairperson, adjourned the meeting at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

signature available upon request

Nicole Schwensow, PA-C, Vice-Chairperson
Physician Assistant Committee