

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL AFFAIRS

F I N A L M I N U T E S

MEETING OF:

STATE BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

TIME: 10:30 A.M.

Held at

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

2525 North 7th Street

CoPA HUB, Eaton Conference Room

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17110

as well as

VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

August 12, 2026

State Board of Osteopathic Medicine
August 12, 2026

BOARD MEMBERS:

Arion Claggett, Acting Commissioner of Professional
and Occupational Affairs
Robert A. Bonacci, M.D., MPH, on behalf of Debra L.
Bogen, M.D., Secretary of Health
Joseph M. Zawisza, D.O., Chair
Randy Litman, D.O., Vice Chair
Ayanna S. Kersey-McMullen, D.O., Secretary
Hillary D. Snyder, MSPAS, PA-C.
Jonathan Oline, D.O.
Bruce Frantz, D.O.
Lisa Witherite-Rieg, D.O.
Neil Curtis, EdD, LAT, ATC

BUREAU PERSONNEL:

Ashley B. Goshert, Esquire, Board Counsel
Jamison Cassel, Board Administrator
Keith E. Bashore, Esquire, Board Prosecution Liaison
Nicholas Kahler, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
Todd Kriner, Esquire, Senior Prosecutor-In-Charge
Courtney J. Restemayer, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
Ronald Rouse, Esquire, Senior Counsel, Office of
General Counsel
Jason C. Giurintano, Esquire, Deputy Chief Counsel,
Counsel Division
Robert Beecher, Deputy Policy Director, Office of
Policy
Willow Marsh, Legislative Aide
Holly Hoffman, Law Clerk

ALSO PRESENT:

Misha Patel, Esquire, Assistant General Counsel,
Pennsylvania Medical Society
William Reynolds, MPAS, PA-C, DFAAPA, Executive
Director, Pennsylvania Society of Physician
Associates
Tanya Miller, MS, LAT, ATC, NASM-CES, Governmental
Affairs Chair, Pennsylvania Athletic Trainers'
Society
Mary Marshall, Senior Director, Workforce and
Professional Development, The Hospital and
Healthcare Association of Pennsylvania

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ALSO PRESENT (cont.):

Katie Gruber, MSW, CADC, Billing Data and Training
Manager, Peer Assistance Monitoring Program,
Foundation of the Pennsylvania Medical Society
Kyle Harris, Assistant Professor, Barnett College of
Public Health, Temple University
Catharine Conner, Partner, Milliron Goodman LLC
Wendy Ruderman, The Philadelphia Inquirer
Jacob Hill, Sargent's Court Reporting Service, Inc.

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[Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act, at 9:30 a.m. the Board entered into Executive Session with Ashley B. Goshert, Esquire, Board Counsel, for the purpose of conducting quasi-judicial deliberations on a number of matters that are currently pending before the Board and to receive the advice of counsel. The Board returned to open session at 10:30 a.m.]

The regularly scheduled meeting of the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine was held on Wednesday, August 12, 2026. Joseph M. Zawisza, D.O., Chair, called the meeting of the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine to order at 10:30 a.m.

[Chair Zawisza noted the meeting was being recorded, and those who continued to participate were giving their consent to be recorded. He requested that all electronic devices be turned off.]

Introduction of Board Members/Attendees

1 [Jamison Cassel, Board Administrator, provided an
2 introduction of Board members, staff, and attendees.
3 A quorum of Board members was present.]

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5 Approval of Minutes - June 10, 2026

6 CHAIR ZAWISZA:

7 So the next order of business is I will
8 ask for a motion to approve the minutes
9 from our June 10, 2026 meeting.

10 DR. KERSEY-MCMULLEN:

11 So moved.

12 CHAIR ZAWISZA:

13 We have a first, is there a second?

14 DR. FRANTZ:

15 Second.

16 CHAIR ZAWISZA:

17 Okay, first and second. Is there any
18 discussion? Hearing none, I'll call
19 for the vote on that.

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21 Mr. Claggett, aye; Dr. Zawisza, aye;
22 Dr. Littman, aye; Dr. Kersey-McMullen,
23 aye; Ms. Snyder, aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye;
24 Dr. Frantz, aye; Dr. Witherite-Rieg,
25 aye; Mr. Curtis, aye.

1 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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3 [Jonathan Oline, D.O. entered the meeting at 10:33
4 a.m.]

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6 Appointment - PA Athletic Trainers' Society -
7 Athletic Trainers Compact

8 [Kyle Harris, Assistant Professor, Barnett College of
9 Public Health, Temple University, explained the
10 Pennsylvania Athletic Trainers' Society is currently
11 working towards the passage of Senate Bill 1312 which
12 was introduced and referred to the Senate
13 Professional Licensure Committee. The bill would
14 allow Pennsylvania to join the interstate compact for
15 athletic trainers. He stated ten states have
16 currently enacted the legislation including New
17 Jersey, Virginia, and Delaware. He added Ohio has
18 also introduced the legislation. He provided a
19 summary of the compact which would be similar to
20 other professional compacts. He noted the commission
21 for the compact is currently being formed and will be
22 working on the final enactment of the compact.

23 Tanya Miller, MS, LAT, ATC, NASM-CES,
24 Governmental Affairs Chair, Pennsylvania Athletic
25 Trainers' Society, noted she could provide a

1 PowerPoint presentation for the Board to review. In
2 addition, she stated the website atcompact.org had
3 additional information.

4 Chair Zawisza thanked them for the presentation.]

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6 Report of Prosecuting Attorneys

7 [Keith Bashore, Esquire, Prosecution Liaison,
8 presented the VRP Consent Agreements for Agenda Item
9 No. 4, Case No. 26-53-006688; and Agenda Item No. 5,
10 Case No. 26-53-010186.]

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12 [Nicholas Kahler, Esquire, Board Prosecutor,
13 presented Agenda Item No. 6, Case No. 25-53-003360;
14 Agenda Item No. 7, Case No. 26-53-006273; Agenda Item
15 No. 8, Case No. 25-53-010113; and Agenda Item No. 9,
16 Case No. 25-49-0015227.]

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18 [Ashley Goshert, Esquire, Board Counsel, stated
19 pursuant to Section 708(a)5 of the Sunshine Act, at
20 9:30am the Board entered into Executive Session with
21 counsel for purposes of conducting quasi-judicial
22 deliberations and receive advice of counsel.]

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24 MS. GOSHERT:

25 Based on those Executive Session

1 deliberations, I believe the Board
2 would entertain a motion to approve the
3 VRP Agreements at Case Nos. 26-53-00688
4 and 26-53-010186.

5 CHAIR ZAWISZA:

6 Do I have a motion?

7 DR. KERSEY-MCMULLEN:

8 So moved, Dr. Kersey-McMullen.

9 CHAIR ZAWISZA:

10 Is there a second?

11 DR. WITHERITE-RIEG:

12 Witherite-Rieg, second.

13 CHAIR ZAWISZA:

14 Thank you. It's been moved and
15 seconded. Is there any discussion?

16 Hearing none, I'll call for the
17 vote.

18

19 Mr. Claggett, aye; Dr. Zawisza, aye;
20 Dr. Litman, aye; Dr. Kersey-McMullen,
21 aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Ms. Snyder, aye;
22 Dr. Oline, aye; Dr. Frantz, aye; Dr.
23 Witherite-Rieg, aye; Mr. Curtis, aye.

24 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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1 MS. GOSHERT:

2 I can then take Agenda Items 6, 7, 8,
3 and 9 together.

4 Based on Executive Session
5 deliberations, I believe the Board
6 would entertain a motion to approve the
7 Consent Agreements at Case Nos. 25-53-
8 003360, 26-53-006273, 25-53-010113, and
9 25-49-0015227.

10 CHAIR ZAWISZA:

11 Do I have a motion?

12 DR. KERSEY-MCMULLEN:

13 Kersey-McMullen, so moved.

14 CHAIR ZAWISZA:

15 Thank you. And a second?

16 DR. WITHERITE-RIEG:

17 Witherite-Rieg, second.

18 CHAIR ZAWISZA:

19 Okay, we have a motion and a second.

20 Is there any discussion?

21 Hearing none, we'll call for the
22 vote.

23

24 Mr. Claggett, aye; Dr. Zawisza, aye;

25 Dr. Litman, aye; Dr. Kersey-McMullen,

1 aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Ms. Snyder, aye;
2 Dr. Oline, aye; Dr. Frantz, aye; Dr.
3 Witherite-Rieg, aye; Mr. Curtis, aye.
4 [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondents are
5 as follows: Agenda Item No. 6, Case No. 25-53-003360,
6 Gary K. Augter, D.O.; Agenda Item No. 7, Case No. 26-
7 53-006273, Samit Ashock Patel, D.O.; Agenda Item No.
8 8, Case No. 25-53-010113, Masood Ahmed Siddiqui,
9 D.O.; and Agenda Item No. 9, Case No. 25-49-0015227,
10 Frances Michael Hyduk, R.T.]

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12 Report of Board Counsel

13 MS. GOSHERT:

14 We have a Final Adjudication on the
15 Agenda.

16 I believe, based on Executive
17 Session deliberations, the Board would
18 entertain a motion to approve that
19 Final Adjudication and Order drafted in
20 the matter against Adarsh Kumar Gupta,
21 D.O., Case No. 20-53-011484.

22 CHAIR ZAWISZA:

23 Do I have a motion?

24 DR. KERSEY-MCMULLEN:

25 Kersey-McMullen, so moved.

1 CHAIR ZAWISZA:

2 Very good and a second?

3 DR. WITHERITE-RIEG:

4 Witherite-Rieg, second.

5 CHAIR ZAWISZA:

6 Okay, thank you. Is there any
7 discussion?

8 Hearing none, we'll move to the
9 vote.

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11 Mr. Claggett, aye; Dr. Zawisza, aye;
12 Dr. Litman, aye; Dr. Kersey-McMullen,
13 aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Ms. Snyder, aye;
14 Dr. Oline, aye; Dr. Frantz, aye; Dr.
15 Witherite-Rieg, aye; Mr. Curtis, aye.

16 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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18 Report of Board Counsel - Regulatory Status Report
19 [Ashley B. Goshert, Esquire, Board Counsel, stated a
20 status report was provided from Regulatory Counsel.
21 She pointed out a draft was completed for the
22 Physician Assistant Regulation.]

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24 Report of Board Counsel - Other
25 [Ashley B. Goshert, Esquire, Board Counsel, explained

1 House Bill 76 would update the Medical Practice Act
2 to allow physicians' assistants to be supervised by
3 either MDs or DOs. The bill passed the House
4 unanimously on June 23, 2026 and was now with the
5 Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure
6 Committee in the Senate.]

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8 Report of Board Counsel - Application

9 MS. GOSHERT:

10 I have one application before you.
11 It's a graduate training license
12 application submitted by Jonathan
13 Bussey, D.O.

14 Based on Executive Session
15 deliberations, I believe the board
16 would entertain a motion to grant the
17 graduate training license to Dr.
18 Bussey.

19 CHAIR ZAWISZA:

20 Do I have that motion?

21 DR. KERSEY-MCMULLEN:

22 Kersey-McMullen, so moved.

23 CHAIR ZAWISZA:

24 Very good and a second?

25 DR. WITHERITE-RIEG:

1 Witherite-Rieg, second.

2 CHAIR ZAWISZA:

3 Great, is there any discussion?

4 Hearing none, we'll move on to the
5 vote.

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7 Mr. Claggett, aye; Dr. Zawisza, aye;
8 Dr. Litman, aye; Dr. Kersey-McMullen,
9 aye; Dr. Bonacci, aye; Ms. Snyder, aye;
10 Dr. Oline, aye; Dr. Frantz, aye; Dr.
11 Witherite-Rieg, aye; Mr. Curtis, aye.

12 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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14 Report of Board Chair

15 [Joseph M. Zawisza, D.O., Chair thanked all the
16 members of the Board for being present at the
17 meeting. He appreciated them taking seriously the
18 Board's commitment to protecting physicians and the
19 public.]

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21 Report of Vice Chair - No Report

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23 Report of Acting Commissioner - No Report

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25 Report of Department of Health

1 [Robert A. Bonacci, M.D., MPH, on behalf of Debra L.
2 Bogen, M.D., Secretary of Health, provided updates on
3 outbreaks and infectious diseases. Regarding
4 measles, Dr. Bonacci reported the Department of
5 Health dashboard is updated three times a week with
6 new case information. He stated Pennsylvania is up
7 to more than 230 cases with 57 cases added in the
8 last week. The majority of cases are in the
9 southeastern and south-central areas of Pennsylvania.
10 He encouraged everyone to be aware of the common
11 signs, symptoms and presentation of measles. He also
12 encouraged proactive action from a clinical
13 perspective, to keep potential patients isolated, and
14 ensure staff have the proper PPE to avoid unnecessary
15 exposure. He also provided comments on MMR
16 vaccination recommendations. He noted the two doses
17 of the MMR vaccine provide 97 percent protection
18 against measles.

19 Regarding cyclospora, he reported infections were
20 trending downward. He noted the parasite causes
21 abdominal symptoms, most notably explosive or severe
22 diarrhea and can cause dehydration leading to
23 hospitalization. He stated the parasite had been
24 linked in 15 states with two deaths reported in
25 Michigan. The outbreak was centered around iceberg

1 lettuce with the suspected supplier, Taylor Farms,
2 distributing beyond the initial media reports linking
3 Taco Bell. He noted there have been more than 200
4 cases in Pennsylvania with more than 13,000 cases
5 nationwide, the largest cyclospora outbreak in U.S.
6 history. He encouraged clinicians to be aware of
7 symptoms and noted specific testing has to be
8 requested.

9 Dr. Kersey-McMullen asked if most of the measles
10 cases were in people either not vaccinated, not fully
11 vaccinated, or individuals who are no longer showing
12 immunity to the vaccination. Dr. Bonacci stated the
13 information is on the dashboard and none of the 232
14 cases in Pennsylvania were in a fully vaccinated
15 individual. He emphasized measles is largely
16 spreading among people who are unvaccinated or not
17 fully vaccinated.]

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19 Report of Board Administrator - No Report

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21 Public Comment - None

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23 Adjournment

24 CHAIR ZAWISZA:

25 I'll call for a motion for adjournment.

1 DR. KERSEY-MCMULLEN:

2 Kersey-McMullen, so moved.

3 CHAIR ZAWISZA:

4 We'll accept that, thank you. And a
5 second?

6 DR. WITHERITE-RIEG:

7 Witherite-Rieg, second.

8 CHAIR ZAWISZA:

9 Perfect. We are adjourned. Thank you,
10 everyone. Have a good day.

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12 [There being no further business, the State Board of
13 Osteopathic Medicine Meeting adjourned at 11:04 a.m.]

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CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing summary minutes of the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine meeting, was reduced to writing by me or under my supervision, and that the minutes accurately summarize the substance of the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine meeting.



Jacob Hill,

Minute Clerk

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Service, Inc.

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10:39	Report of Prosecuting Attorneys
10:48	Report of Board Counsel
10:53	Report of Board Chair
10:54	Report of Department of Health
11:04	Adjournment