

INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT COMMISSION

November 8, 2021

MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order

Chair Spangler (WV)

The Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Commission convened at approximately 11:00 AM Eastern time in Gulf Shores, Alabama and via video conference.

Roll Call

Secretary Smith

The roll was called, and a quorum was established.

Approval of the agenda

Chair Spangler (WV)

An agenda for the meeting was provided prior to the meeting.

MOTION

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER CLEVELAND (MS), SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TERRANOVA (ME), TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.

MOTION PASSED

WITH 44 YES VOTES, 0 NO VOTES AND 0 ABSTENTIONS

Approval of the minutes

Secretary Smith

The minutes from the May 17, 2022 meeting were provided prior to the meeting.

MOTION #1

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER ESTEP (KS), SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ (MN), TO APPROVE THE IMLCC COMMISSIONER MEETING MINUTES FROM MAY 17, 2022.

MOTION PASSED

WITH 44 YES VOTES, 0 NO VOTES, AND 0 ABSTENTIONS

Welcome and Keynote Speaker

William Perkins, Executive Director, Alabama State Board of Medical Examiners & Peter Graham, Ph.D., Acumen Assessments

Mr. Perkins welcomed the Commissioners to Alabama via pre-recorded video.

Dr. Graham presented the keynote address titled "Orientation to Duty". A discussion and a question-and-answer session was led by Dr. Graham.

Chair's Report

Chair Spangler (WV)

The chair provided comments to the commissioners, highlighting the accomplishments during 2022, including the doubling of applications processed, completing 3 financial audits in a 12-month timeframe, the passage of enabling legislation in 4 states, with 4 states beginning active processing of applications.

The Compact is now a successful organization and an established method for physicians to obtain licenses quickly and effectively. All due to the hard work of board staff, Commissioners, and Commission staff.

Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Smith

The executive director provided an update on the progress of the Compact, focusing on the impacts on the physician licensure process in the five years of its operational existence. A roadmap of future activities and system improvements were outlined.

Report from Legal Counsel

IMLCC Legal Counsel Rick Masters

Mr. Masters requested that his report be conducted in a session closed to the public in order to provide legal advice.

MOTION

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER GILE (KS), SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HERLIHY (VT), THAT THE MEETING BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC IN ORDER TO RECEIVE LEGAL ADVICE AS AUTHORIZED BY IMLCC STATUTE, SECTION 11, PARAGRAPH H.

MOTION PASSED

WITH 44 YES VOTES, 0 NO VOTES, AND 0 ABSTENTIONS

Meeting closed to the public

The meeting was closed. During this time the commissioners, IMLCC Executive Director and Legal Counsel were segregated into a private conference call room where no members of the public were included and members of the public retired from the meeting space and the room secured. The general conference call room remained active for members of the public. At the conclusion of the closed session, the private conference call room was emptied and the meeting resumed in public session.

Working Lunch - New member board on-board process

*IMLCC Operations Manager
David Clark*

Mr. Clark along with Ms. Trevino, Texas Medical Board Compact Program Supervisor, and Mr. Joseph Turek, State Medical Board of Ohio Director of Licensure and Licensee Services, led a discussion about how the Compact has developed a new member board on-boarding process that includes a test environment for board staff to work through the different types of applications. Mr. Trevino and Mr. Turek provided information about their board's recent on-boarding experience.

Rulemaking Hearing

Commissioner Martinez (MN)

At 1:00 pm Central Time, the commission was called to order for the purpose of a rulemaking hearing as authorized by IMLCC Statute, Section 15. The rulemaking hearing was noticed and opportunity for comment was done in accordance with IMLC Rules, Chapter 1. The proposed rules were discussed and additional opportunity for comments from commissioners and the public were provided during the consideration of the proposed rule.

A copy of the proposed amendments to IMLC Rules - Chapter 6 were provided prior to the meeting. The change to IMLC Rule Chapter 6 was to add a new paragraph, 6.6.

The public hearing was closed at 1:05 pm Central Time after no requests from the public to provide comment were requested.

A discussion on the proposed amendments was led by Commissioner Martinez. Each commissioner who wished to provide a comment was provided that opportunity. Additionally, the three (3) written comments which were received prior to the meeting were read into the record. A copy of each will be recorded along with these minutes on the IMLCC webpage.

After the discussion the question was called and put to a vote.

MOTION

MOVED BY THE RULES AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES COMMITTEE, A MOTION BY A COMMITTEE DOES NOT REQUIRE A SECOND, TO AMEND IMLC RULE CHAPTER 6 - RULE ON COORDINATED INFORMATION SYSTEM, JOINT INVESTIGATIONS AND DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS TO ADD PARAGRAPH 6.6.

MOTION PASSED

WITH 23 YES VOTES, 20 NO VOTES AND 1 ABSTENTION

The rulemaking hearing was concluded at approximately 2:45 pm Central Time.

Election of officers
Secretary Smith

Elections for the officers of the Commission were held in accordance of IMLCC Bylaws, Article III, Section 1. A call for nominations was held for each position, discussion held, nominations were then closed, and the nominations voted on by members as separate actions.

CHAIR

Commissioner Manahan (MN) nominated Commissioner Mark Spangler (WV) to the position of IMLCC Chair. The nomination was seconded by Commissioner Bohall (AZ). The nomination was accepted and discussion held. No other nominations were put forward.

RESULT

Commissioner Spangler (WV) was elected to the position of Chair by 100% of the members voting.

VICE CHAIR

Commissioner Terranova (ME) nominated Commissioner Christine Farrelly (MD) to the position of IMLCC Vice Chair. The nomination was seconded by Commissioner Marx (UT). The nomination was accepted.

Commissioner Cleveland (MS) nominated Commissioner Karen Silas (AL) to the position of IMLCC Vice Chair. The nomination was seconded by Commissioner Judd (TN). The nomination was accepted.

A discussion about the nominations was held and the question called.

RESULT

Commissioner Silas (AL) was elected to the position of Vice Chair by 65% of the members voting.

TREASURER

Commissioner Silas (AL) nominated Commissioner Cleveland (MS) to the position of Treasurer. The nomination was seconded by Commissioner Cousineau (NV). The nomination was accepted and discussion held. No other nominations were put forward.

RESULT

Commissioner Cleveland (MS) was elected to the position of Treasurer by 100% of the member voting.

Discussion Topic #1
Secretary Smith

A discussion was held regarding the question “Should ex-officio members be voting members?” A discussion of the question was held and it was determined that the matter should be referred to the Rules & Administrative Procedures Committee for consideration and action.

MOTION

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER CLEVELAND (MS), SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TERRANOVA (ME), TO REFER THE MATTER TO THE IMLCC’S RULES AND ADMINSTRATIVE PROCEDURES COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION.

MOTION PASSED

BY A UNANOMOUS VOICE VOTE WITH NO ONE EXPRESSING OPPOSITION

Discussion Topic #2
Secretary Smith

A discussion was held regarding the question “Should the Compact publish a rule regarding the sharing of non-disciplinary information

between member boards?” A discussion of the question was held and it was determined that the matter should be tabled.

MOTION

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER BOHNENBLUST (WY), SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RODMAN (KY), TO TABLE DISCUSSION.

MOTION PASSED

BY A UNANOMOUS VOICE VOTE WITH NO ONE EXPRESSING OPPOSITION

Discussion Topic #3
Secretary Smith

A discussion was held regarding a request that the Rules and Administrative Procedures Committee consider and review IMLCC Rule Chapter 6 to ensure that it accurately reflects the IMLCC statute and provides clear guidance to member boards. A discussion was held and it was determined that the Commissioners wished to request that the Rules and Administrative Procedures Committee begin a review of IMLC Rule Chapter 6 as soon as it was practical.

MOTION

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER TERRANOVA (ME), SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CLEVELAND (MS), TO REFER THE MATTER TO THE IMLCC’S RULES AND ADMINSTRATIVE PROCEDURES COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION.

MOTION PASSED

BY A UNANOMOUS VOICE VOTE WITH NO ONE EXPRESSING OPPOSITION

Committee reports

Treasurer Farrelly (MD) provided a brief Budget Committee report.

Commissioner Rodman (KY) provided a brief Communications Committee report.

Commissioner Herlihy (VT) provided a brief Personnel Committee report.

Commissioner Martinez (MN) provided a brief Rules and Administrative Procedures Committee report.

Commission Manahan (MN) provided a brief Technology Committee report.

Staff reports

Keyla Blanco, IMLCC Controller, provided a brief update about the IMLCC’s fiscal unit.

Dale Watts, IMLCC IT Manager, provided a brief update about the IMLCC’s IT unit.

David Clark, IMLCC Operations Manager, provided a brief update about the IMLCC’s Operations unit.

Public Comments
Chair Spangler (WV)

None were provided.

Location of the next annual commission meeting
Chair Spangler (WV)

The next meeting of Commissioners:

- May 2023 - a virtual meeting to review and finalize the IMLCC’s FY2024 budget.
- November 2023 - the annual in-person and virtual meeting in Colorado

The specific dates and information about attending the meetings will be provided when it has been finalized.

Adjournment

Chair Spangler (WV)

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:55 pm Central Time.