

**West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine  
Board of Governors – Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, July 30, 2024  
Location: President’s Conference Room (WebEx/Teleconference)**

**I. Call to Order, Roll Call/Quorum, and Mission Statement**

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by Board Chair, Dr. Belt. Roll call was taken by Board Secretary, Ms. Kirby. A quorum was present. The WVSOM mission statement was read by Dr. Morgan.

**Members Present Via Teleconference:**

Randall Belt, D.O., Chair	Ethaniel Galloway
Frederick Morgan, D.O., Vice Chair	Sharon Hall
Marlena Kirby, Secretary	Michael Muscari, D.O.
Thomas Cole	Caitlyn Santer, D.O.
Ryan Fitzwater, D.O.	Peter Ward, Ph.D.

**Members Absent:**

Gary Poling, D.O.	Todd Smith, D.O.
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**Others in Attendance:**

James W. Nemitz, Ph.D., President	Debbie Green, Scribe/Board Liaison
Brian Lutz, J.D., Interim General Counsel	

**II. Introductions**

Chair Belt asked President Nemitz if there were any introductions. President Nemitz introduced Ethaniel Galloway, OMS III, the new student representative elected to the WVSOM Board of Governors effective July 1, 2024 to replace Erin Reese, OMS IV. Chair Belt welcomed Mr. Galloway to the board.

**III. Approval of Minutes**

Chair Belt asked the board if there were any revisions to the June 21, 2024 regular meeting minutes. Ms. Hall requested the language in the last paragraph under Board Items (IX.F.) be revised as follows: “It was moved and seconded (Hall/Cole) to approve the resolution to allow the President to approve the final payment on the existing contract for FY 2024 – 2025 with AllofE Solutions, in the amount of \$240,175 with the following conditions: 1) The WVSOM Contracts and Legal Departments continue the renegotiation process to attempt to lower the invoice amount; and 2) The Board of Governors strongly requests the transition to the new software platforms be complete by June 30, 2025, or sooner, so the relationship with AllofE Solutions can be concluded.”

It was moved and seconded (Hall/Kirby) to amend the June 21, 2024 regular meeting minutes under Board Items (IX.F.) as discussed. Motion Carried

It was moved and seconded (Kirby/Hall) to approve the amended June 21, 2024 regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion Carried

**IV. Rules**

- A. GA-14: Title IX, Sex-Based Harassment, and Discrimination (*revised*). Chair Belt asked Brian Lutz, Interim General Counsel, to present the proposed revisions. Mr. Lutz stated the proposed revisions to the policy were posted for a 30-day comment period, and no comments were received. The policy revisions are in response to the updated Title IX regulations that were issued on April 19, 2024 with an effective date of August 1, 2024. Implementation of the policy will be suspended pending resolution of the federal injunction issued against the 2024 Title IX rule.

Questions and discussion followed.

It was moved and seconded (Kirby/Cole) to adopt the revisions of GA-14: Title IX, Sex-Based Harassment, and Discrimination as presented. Motion Carried

**V. Information Gathering**

No items were brought forth.


**VI. Next Meeting Date**

The next scheduled board meeting will be held on Friday, August 23, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the John Manchin, II, D.O., Conference Center, Room #2, located in the Clinical Evaluation Center on the campus of WVSOM.

**VII. Adjournment**

It was moved and seconded (Fitzwater/Morgan) to adjourn. The motion carried and the board meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Approved on August 23, 2024

Signed by:  
  
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Marlena R. Kirby  
Secretary  
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