



**NORTH DAKOTA  
STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS**

**Minutes of the Special Meeting of the North Dakota State Board of Chiropractic  
Examiners held June 8, 2020 via Conference Call, Grafton, ND.**

**Call to Order:** Dr. Dion Ficek called the meeting to order at 12:30 PM CST.

**Roll Call:** Those present via teleconference included, Dr. Dion Ficek, Dr. Michael Remmick, Dr. Eric Froehling, Dr. Stephen Pederson, Ms. Christa Mellum, Ms. Kalyn Botz, Assistant Attorney General Ms. Allyson Hicks and Executive Director Lisa Blanchard. Absent: Dr. Kent Yohe. Public: There were public attendees on the conference call, including Mr. Geiermann and Special Assistant Attorney General Mr. Svihovec.

**Reading of the Mission Statement:** Dr. Ficek.

As this was a special meeting, no additions to the agenda were permitted.


**Agenda:**

Request for release of May 21, 2020 Executive Session recording regarding Freedom Chiropractic/Dr. Schmitz. A request was made by Mr. Geiermann, to Ms. Hicks, requesting a copy of the executive session recording held on May 21, 2020 for the Freedom Chiropractic/Dr. Schmitz agenda item. Ms. Hicks informed the Board that she felt there was no violation of the open meetings law and advises not to release the recording. A motion was made by Dr. Pederson, second by Dr. Froehling, to deny the release of the recording based on the advice of Ms. Hicks. Prior to the vote, Dr. Remmick asked Ms. Botz, new Board member, if she had any type of relationship/knowledge of Dr. Schmitz. She responded in the negative indicating that the only knowledge she has is from her review of previous meeting minutes in preparation for this meeting. A roll call vote was taken with Ficek, Remmick, Froehling, Pederson, and Botz voting in the affirmative. Mellum abstaining. Yohe absent/not voting. (5-0-1-1) Motion passed.

Per Diem. A motion was made by Dr. Froehling, second by Dr. Pederson, to pay a ¼ per diem payment (\$62.50) for this meeting. A roll call vote was taken with Ficek, Remmick, Froehling, Pederson, Mellum, and Botz voting in the affirmative. Yohe absent/not voting. (6-0-1) Motion passed.

**Adjourn:** A motion was made by Dr. Froehling, second by Ms. Mellum, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. The conference call ended at 12:37 PM CST.

These minutes were prepared by Lisa Blanchard, Executive Director, for signature by Dr. Eric Froehling, Secretary.

  
Eric Froehling, D.C., Secretary

  
Date