

## AGENDA

### **STATE OF CONNECTICUT BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF ELECTROLOGISTS**

Wednesday, June 12, 2019  
9:30 AM

Department of Public Health  
410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut  
Second Floor – Room A

#### **Call to Order**

- I. **Minutes**  
Review and approve minutes from the February 27, 2019 meeting.
- II. **Chair Updates**
- III. **Department of Public Health Updates**  
*Examinations Update - Deborah Brown, Health Program Assistant, DPH*

#### **Adjournment**

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please contact the Public Health Hearing Office at 860-509-7566.*

*The following minutes are draft minutes which are subject to revision and which have not yet been adopted by the Board.*

The Board of Examiners of Electrologists held a meeting on Wednesday, February 27, 2019 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:      Tatiana Eirmann, Esq. Chairperson  
   Arlene Romajas, LPN, CPE  
   Jan O'Neil, CPE  
   Jeanne Scranton-Lloyd - via telephone  
   Alicia Zalka M.D

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT      None

ALSO PRESENT:                      Alfreda Gaither, Hearing Officer, DPH

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Ms. Tatiana Eirmann, Esq. called the meeting to order at 9:29 a.m.

**I.        MINUTES**

The board reviewed the minutes from Wednesday, November 28, 2018. Grammar corrections were addressed. The motion was made to approve the minutes by Arlene Romajas and seconded by Tatiana Eirmann. The motion was passed unanimously.

**II.       CHAIR UPDATE ~**

Tatiana Eirmann requested to change dates for the next two board meeting. The board approved the changes as follows:

Original date May 15, 2019 now scheduled for June 12, 2019.

Original date September 18, 2019 now scheduled for September 25, 2019.

**III.      DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES**

A.       Investigations Update

No updates at this time

B.       Examination Update

Mr. Jeffrey Kardys shared a report from Celeste Dowdell, License and Application Analyst.

There are currently eight applicants scheduled for the next examination, three are retaking the examination.

**IV.      OLD BUSINESS**

Board continues to wait on approval for the following:

A.       Legislation change from 3 to 4 hours of continuing education units for CPR hours to coincide with the American Heart Association guidelines.

B.       The investigation into statutory changes for approval that would include the use of initials for each field that we are licensed by the State of Connecticut as well as "L.E." initials for Licensed Electrologist.

**V. New Business**

Jan O'Neil shared Marsha Sawdon's, CSEA president, letter informing members of the current proposed budget by Governor Lamont on behalf of all state electrologists. The Proposal requested elimination of the sales tax exemption status for electrology services.

Jan O'Neil and Arlene Romajas shared their concern with being in the allied health field that many of their patients are struggling with medical conditions and the added burden of this tax

would endure a great hardship. This hardship would result in patients unable to afford to continue their treatments. This not only affects the patients but every electrologist would incur additional costs and as we know the last thing a small business owner in Connecticut needs are additional taxes. Jan O'Neil inquired as to whether the Board and DPH could assist with letters and would they guide all electrologists on this dilemma. Mr. Jeffery Kardys stated the Board as a whole or DPH cannot write a letter without approval from the State Attorney General office, however, each Board member can write their own personal letter to representatives as well as each electrologist. Mr. Kardys will investigate and inform the board if a bill number has been assigned to this proposal. Alfreda Gaither will also keep the board posted on government relations information with this upcoming proposal.

**VI. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00am on a motion by Ms. Jan O'Neil which was seconded by Ms. Tatiana Eirmann.

Note: Prior to submission of minutes Mr, Jeff Kardys had responded with Governors Bill No. 877 pages 68-69, regarding elimination of sales tax exemption status for electrology services. Information was forwarded to CSEA president.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jan M.O'Neil,CPE  
Board of Examiners of Electrologists