



Arkansas State Board of Chiropractic Examiners

July 2025 Board Meeting Minutes

July 15th, 2025 | 9:00_{AM}

CALL TO ORDER

The board meeting was called to order by Elizabeth Jones, Executive Director at 9:03am.

ROLL CALL

Board Members present:

Joseph Long, D.C
Michael Courtney, D.C
Harold Gunter
Gregory Ungerank, D.C.
Tanya Holt, D.C.
Sarah Hays, D.C.

Staff present:

Elizabeth Jones, Executive Director
Heather Foster, Administrative Analyst
Jessica Kloss, Assistant Attorney General
Matt Gilmore, Deputy Director For Boards And Governmental Affairs

Guests present:

Dr. Randy Holt
Dr. Chris Cathey
Bonnie Hicks
Dr. Karen Konarski- Hart

NEW LICENSEE ORIENTATION

A welcome introduction was given by ASBCE Executive Director Elizabeth Jones followed by an introduction of staff member, Heather Foster. Each board member introduced themselves and gave words of encouragement and wisdom to the new licensees. Dr. Chris Cathey spoke on behalf of the Arkansas Chiropractic Society and Bonnie Hicks spoke for the Arkansas Chiropractic Association. The director presented orientation materials to all new licensees.

A motion was made by Dr. Long to grant licenses to those qualifying applicants in attendance. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gunter and passed unanimously.



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Congratulations to the following applicants who received their license this day with their attendance at the July 2025 Orientation.

TyRhee Burnett, D.C.
Brett Gollhofer, D.C.
Haley Hagood, D.C.
Audrey Hilliard, D.C.
Bonnie Kragel, D.C.
Madison Norwood, D.C.
Lydia Townsend, D.C.
Kelly Wilkerson-Dullenty, D.C.

The Board recessed at 9:31am and resumed at 9:45am.

Presentation

Karen Konarski-Hart

Her teaching hours will be accepted for CCE hours that are approved courses for the state.

A motion was made by Dr. Holt to accept those state approved hours. The motion was seconded by Dr. Courtney and passed unanimously.

DIRECTORS REPORT

The director's report was presented by Director Jones. There was discussion about the board's income, expenses, and past months. Matt Gilmore with the ADH provided comments on the process and how the board could access its funding if it was needed for unexpected expenses. There were additional comments and questions about reimbursements for travel and stipends. Dr. Courtney asked at what point the board could resume normal fees collections, meaning the ASBCE is no longer under a 95% fee reduction. The director explained for the ASBCE to resume normal fees, it must first have at or less than three years' worth of operating expenses.

A motion was made by Dr. Courtney to accept the director's report and was seconded by Mr. Gunter. Motion passed unanimously.



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Externship & Supervisor Applications:

Mariah Gray-Herndon (extern) & Cliff VanBuren, D.C. (supervisor): Both meet the requirements to participate in the externship program. Dr. Long made a motion to accept the applications, seconded by Dr. Holt. Motion passed unanimously.

The board reviewed email correspondence from Cory Hatcher concerning doctor-to-doctor consultations. It was determined they needed to consult their own legal counsel.

Complaint Committee

Complaint # 798-03-04-24

Complaint committee recommended no further action be taken on complaint and complaint be closed after investigation. A motion was made by Dr. Holt, seconded by Dr. Long and passed unanimously.

FY26 Board meeting Dates

The proposed board meeting dates as followed October 21, 2025, January 13, 2026, April 14, 2026, July 14, 2026, were presented.

A motion was made by Dr. Long to accept the dates. The motion was seconded by Dr. Courtney and passed unanimously.

FY26 Board Officers

Mr. Gunter nominated Dr. Courtney for President; no second was made. Dr. Holt nominated Dr. Ungerank for President, and Dr. Long seconded. No one opposed. Dr Long proposed Dr. Courtney as Secretary, and Dr. Hays seconded. It passed unanimously. Dr. Courtney proposed Mr. Gunter as Treasurer. Dr. Hays seconded, and it passed unanimously. Dr. Courtney nominated Dr. Hays as Investigator, Dr. Hays did not accept. Dr. Hays nominated Dr. Holt as Investigator, seconded by Dr. Courtney and passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

Dr. Courtney moved to adjourn, seconded by Dr. Long. The Board adjourned at 10:48am.