

**Oklahoma Physician Manpower Training Commission
Commission Meeting
February 10, 2022**

MINUTES

The Board of Oklahoma Physician Manpower Training Commission met for a special commission meeting at 10:00 a.m., on Thursday, February 10, 2022, at OSU - OKC, 900 N Portland Avenue, Student Center, North and South Conference Rooms, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Dr. Young and OSU College of Medicine hosted the meeting. Notice of the meeting had been properly filed with the Secretary of State, and a copy of the notice and agenda was posted on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, 9:00 a.m., in prominent public view at PMTC, and on the Commission website, <https://Oklahoma.gov/pmtc.html>, in compliance with the Open Meeting Act.

Commission Members Present

Joe Leverett, MD, Chair
Dr. Kevin Khoury
Jeff Lester, MD
Shane Stidham, MD
Jonathan Bushman, DO
Layne Subera, DO

PMTC Staff Present

Janie Thompson, Executive Director
Kami Fullingim
Aneesa Sharp
Dana Morphew
Michelle Cecil
Benita Jose-Mathew

Guests Present

Maria Maule, Assistant Attorney General – legal
Margie Weaver, Assistant Attorney General - legal
Dennis Blankenship, DO OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine
LeRoy Young, DO OSU College of Medicine
Jennifer Colburn, OSU College of Medicine
Jana Castleberry, Oklahoma State Department of Health
Maegan Dunn, Oklahoma Osteopathic Association
DeLynn Fudge, TSET
Lisa Crouse, MD, OU College of Medicine
Steven Crawford, MD, OU College of Medicine

Dr. Leverett opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. by welcoming everyone to the OSU-OKC campus.

Ms. Fullingim gave proof of meeting notice, took roll call, and declared a quorum.

Dr. Leverett read the Mission Statement of Oklahoma Physician Manpower Training Commission and attendees introduced themselves.

1. Consideration and Vote to Approve/Disapprove Minutes of the December 14, 2021, Meeting

Dr Leverett asked for any revisions or discussion of the December meeting minutes then called for a vote.

Dr. Bushman made the motion to approve the December 14, 2021, minutes as presented. Dr. Khoury seconded the motion. Voting in favor were: Dr. Leverett, Dr. Bushman, Dr. Khoury, Dr. Lester, Dr. Stidham and Dr. Subera. None were opposed.

2. Nomination and Possible Action Regarding Vice-Chair of the Commission – Dr. Leverett

Dr. Khoury nominated Dr. Bushman for the position of Vice-Chair of the Commission. Dr. Stidham seconded the nomination. Voting in favor were: Dr. Leverett, Dr. Khoury, Dr. Lester, Dr. Stidham and Dr. Subera. Dr. Bushman abstained.

3. Director’s Report – Ms. Thompson

Ms. Thompson gave an update on the audit of the Commission. The Commission gave the auditors full access to the database and finances. They had a difficult time finding something to recommend updating or correcting, but they were confident we were cautious and that we not let our guard down on the procedures we have in place.

Ms. Thompson updated the Commission on moving the next Commission meeting date from April 14 to March 24, 2022. The date change is due to a rule making requirements.

Ms. Thompson gave an update on the Senate and House Education Appropriation sub-committee presentations. PMTC received very few questions from the presentations but felt both meetings were positive.

Ms. Thompson provided information on a meeting with the Health and Human Services Working Group she would have later in the day. The committee is looking at expanding what PMTC does currently by adding administration of AARPA funds that have to do with physician and nursing programs.

Ms. Thompson left the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

4. Consideration and Possible Action on Director’s Report – Dr. Leverett

Dr. Lester made the motion to approve the Director’s Report. Dr. Subera seconded the motion. Voting in favor were: Dr. Leverett, Dr. Bushman, Dr. Khoury, Dr. Lester, Dr. Stidham and Dr. Subera. None were opposed.

5. Update for the Commission Concerning the Changes to CMS Guidelines for the Residency Expansion Opportunities Discussed by Dr. Crawford and Dr. Crouse at the December Retreat – Dr. Leverett

Dr. Crouse discussed the challenges of rural training programs. Funding is the biggest challenge, but elective rotations to rural sites is an accreditation challenge.

6. Follow-Up Discussion Concerning Alternate Direction for Possible Gala – Dr. Khoury

Dr. Khoury said OSMA cannot use their staff to support planning a gala. We are looking at a Spring 2023 timeframe. Dr. Leverett said we need to get a contract with everything in writing. Dr. Bushman will check with OOA foundation to see if they can assist with a gala. Next meeting commissioners need to be prepared to discuss requirements to start the process for holding a gala.

7. Consideration and Possible Action from the Scholarship Loan Repayment Committee – Dr. Khoury

Dr. Khoury shared the committee's recommendations.

Payton Gentry, PA – recommendation extending time to start a new practice by March 15, 2022, if not she will have to pay the full amount of her unfulfilled service, which is 50% liquidated damages and interest starting from her graduation date.

Natalie Lindsey, PA – the recommendation includes reporting her testing results with documentation once they are available after her May 2 test date. If unsuccessful, repayment will begin May 15, 2022. With successful test results, proof of rural practice contract is to be submitted no later than June 1, 2022. If successful testing takes place after the May 2nd test date and rural practice begins, payments will stop, and practice obligation will begin with one month of the practice credit for each \$1,000 in principal payments made. If a metro practice is established, the full principle plus liquidated damages and interest from graduation date will be assessed.

Lauren Ukleya, PA – the recommendation is if Lauren chooses the Oklahoma City metro area is chosen for practice instead of a rural area, the recommendation is the full amount of unfulfilled service and 50% liquidated damages plus interest starting on her graduation date.

Dr. Leverett asked for any questions or comments regarding the Scholarship Loan Repayment Committee recommendations for these three then called for a vote.

Dr. Khoury made the motion to approve the Scholarship Loan Repayment Committee recommendations as presented. Dr. Lester seconded the motion. Voting in favor were: Dr. Leverett, Dr. Bushman, Dr. Khoury, Dr. Lester, Dr. Stidham and Dr. Subera. None were opposed.

Joshua Redmond, DO – The recommendation is Dr. Redmond must establish a rural primary residence by June 30, 2022. If a rural residence is not established, repayment of his resident rural scholarship as documented in his contract and his loan repayment contract will not be renewed.

Dr. Khoury made the motion to approve the recommendation of the Scholarship Loan Repayment Committee as presented. Dr. Bushman seconded the motion. Voting in favor were: Dr. Leverett, Dr. Bushman, Dr. Khoury, Dr. Lester, Dr. Stidham and Dr. Subera. None were opposed.

8. Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Nursing Program – Ms. Cecil

Ms. Cecil presented information on 18 nursing applicants.

Dr. Leverett asked for any questions or comments regarding the nursing applicants then called for a vote.

Dr. Stidham made the motion to approve the 18 nursing applicants as presented. Dr. Khoury seconded the motion. Voting in favor were: Dr. Leverett, Dr. Bushman, Dr. Khoury, Dr. Lester, Dr. Stidham and Dr. Subera. None were opposed.

9. Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Physician Loan Repayment Program – Ms. Sharp

- Dustin W. Davis, D.O. – McAlester, OK – Choctaw Nation Clinic
- George Hudson, D.O. – Enid, OK – Integris Bass Baptist Hospital
- Hayley Hudson, D.O. – Enid, OK – Integris Bass Baptist Hospital
- Cameron P. LanCarte, M.D. – Ardmore, OK – Mercy Hospital
- Stephen R. Ross, M.D. – Ponca City, OK - Alliance Health
- James E. Stull, D.O. – Talihina, OK – Choctaw Nation Clinic
- Gabriel L. DeCarvalho, M.D. – Woodward, OK – Alliance Health
- Nicholas R. Hoffsommer, D.O. – Enid, OK – Great Salt Plains Health
- Shea P. Pielsticker, M.D. – Enid, OK – Team Health

Ms. Sharp presented information on the first eight applicants for the Physician Loan Repayment Program.

Dr. Bushman requested numbers on where physicians are after their 4th year and if they stay in rural areas. Delynn Fudge with TSET said they keep those stats on the physicians they support. We need to provide those numbers for the next meeting.

Dr. Leverett asked for any questions or comments regarding the Physician Loan Repayment Program then called for a vote on the first eight physicians.

Dr. Bushman made the motion to approve the Physician Loan Repayment applicant as presented. Dr. Lester seconded the motion. Voting in favor were: Dr. Leverett, Dr. Bushman, Dr. Khoury, Dr. Lester, Dr. Stidham and Dr. Subera. None were opposed.

Ms. Sharp presented information on the last applicant for the Physician Loan Repayment Program. Dr. Pielsticker does not want to accept Team Health's offer unless he can be approved for the PMTC Physician Loan Repayment Program.

Dr. Leverett asked for questions or comments regarding Dr. Pielsticker's application.

After much discussion on the correct way to call for a vote to disapprove, Dr. Stidham made the motion to approve the Physician Loan Repayment applicant as presented. Dr. Subera seconded the motion. Voting in favor was: Dr. Khoury. Voting opposed were: Dr. Leverett, Dr. Lester, Dr. Stidham and Dr. Subera. Dr. Bushman abstained.

10. Physician Placement Report – Ms. Sharp

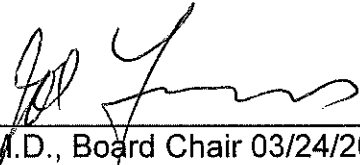
Ms. Sharp presented graphs and statistics of how many physicians we are supporting and in collaboration of support from other organizations. Dr. Bushman had a concern about the definition between “underserved” and “rural.” He would like this information for the next meeting in March.

11. New Business

No new business was presented.

12. Discussion and Vote to Adjourn

Dr. Khoury made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Subera seconded the motion. Voting in favor were: Dr. Leverett, Dr. Bushman, Dr. Khoury, Dr. Lester, Dr. Stidham and Dr. Subera. None were opposed.



Joe Leverett, M.D., Board Chair 03/24/2022