

**INDIANA PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT COMMITTEE  
INDIANA GOVERNMENT CENTER SOUTH  
402 WEST WASHINGTON STREET  
CONFERENCE CENTER, ROOM 5  
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46204**

**MINUTES OF MARCH 14, 2019**

Steven Jacobs, P.A., Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and a quorum was declared in accordance with IC § 25-27.5-3-5.

Members Present: Steven Jacobs, P.A., Chairman  
Joseph Fox, M.D., Member  
Timothy Hawkins, Consumer Member

Members Absent: Bret Cornn, P.A., Member  
Jo Ann Beecher, P.A., Vice Chairman

Staff Present: Darren R. Covington, Committee Director  
Professional Licensing Agency

Kimberly A. Letko, Assistant Committee Director  
Professional Licensing Agency

Stephanie Mullaney, Deputy Attorney General  
Attorney General's Office

The Committee voted to adopt the agenda.

Participating Committee Members: Steven Jacobs, P.A., Joseph Fox, M.D., Timothy Hawkins

Fox/Hawkins, 3/0/0  
Ayes: Jacobs, Fox, Hawkins  
Motion carries

The Committee voted to approve the minutes of December 13, 2018

Participating Committee Members: Steven Jacobs, P.A., Joseph Fox, M.D., Timothy Hawkins

Fox/Hawkins, 3/0/0  
Ayes: Jacobs, Fox, Hawkins  
Motion carries

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Participating Committee Members: Steven Jacobs, P.A., Joseph Fox, M.D., Timothy Hawkins

Steve Jacobs, P.A. was nominated to continue as Chair by Joseph Fox, M.D.

Fox/Hawkins, 3/0/0  
Ayes: Jacobs, Hawkins, Fox  
Motion carries

Jo Ann Beecher, M.D. was nominated to continue as Vice Chair by Joseph Fox, M.D.

Fox/Hawkins, 3/0/0  
Ayes: Jacobs, Hawkins, Fox  
Motion carries

## **ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

David Andrews, P.A., License No. 10001641A, Cause Number 2017 PAC 0001

Respondent failed to appear in person or with counsel regarding an Order to Show Cause scheduled before the Committee. The State of Indiana was represented by Ryan Eldridge and the court report sworn in for this matter was Sherri Rutledge with Rutledge Independent Reporting.

Participating Committee Members: Steven Jacobs, P.A., Joseph Fox, M.D., Timothy Hawkins

Notice of Proposed Default was issued by the Committee on January 8, 2018.

Due to the lack of response to this notice by the Respondent, the State requested that the Committee hold Respondent in Default

After discussion, the Committee moved to HOLD RESPONDENT in DEFAULT.

Fox/Hawkins, 3/0/0  
Ayes: Jacobs, Hawkins, Fox  
Motion carries

The State presented information to the Committee that Respondent has not provided any quarterly reports from supervising physician and therefore has not complied with the terms of his probation.

The State admitted the following exhibit:

Exhibit A: Affidavit of Donna Moran, Litigation Specialist, Indiana Professional Licensing Agency.

After discussion the Committee moved that Respondent VIOLATED his PROBATIONARY ORDER.

Jacobs/Fox, 3/0/0  
Ayes: Jacobs, Hawkins, Fox  
Motion carries

After final discussion, the Committee moved to SUSPEND Respondent's LICENSE without the ability to petition for reinstatement for no less than SIX (6) MONTHS.

Fox/Hawkins, 3/0/0  
Ayes: Jacobs, Hawkins, Fox  
Motion carries

Daniel Balcerak, P.A., License No. 10001437A, Cause Number 2018 PAC 0003

Respondent appeared in person but without counsel regarding a Petition to Withdraw Probation scheduled before the Committee. The State of Indiana was represented by Ryan Eldridge and the court report sworn in for this matter was Sherri Rutledge with Rutledge Independent Reporting.

Participating Committee Members: Steven Jacobs, P.A., Joseph Fox, M.D., Timothy Hawkins

Respondent stated that he has completed all requirements of his probation and asked that the probation be withdrawn from his license.

Respondent admitted the following exhibits:

Exhibit A: Letter from Dr. Kay, Orthopedic Surgeon, Lakeshore Bone and Joint Institution

Exhibit B: Letter of probation release from Porter County Adult Probation

State does not object to withdraw of probation.

After discussion, the Committee moved to WITHDRAW PROBATION.

Hawkins/Fox, 3/0/0  
Ayes: Jacobs, Hawkins, Fox  
Motion carries

Jennifer Boone, P.A., License No. 10001515A, Cause Number 2019 PAC 0001

Respondent appeared in person but without counsel regarding a Petition for Summary Suspension scheduled before the Committee. The State of Indiana was represented by Ryan Eldridge and the court report sworn in for this matter was Sherri Rutledge with Rutledge Independent Reporting.

Participating Committee Members: Steven Jacobs, P.A., Joseph Fox, M.D., Timothy Hawkins

Respondent was placed on probation for two years in Madison County Circuit Court, Div. VI, on August 29, 2018 after having been found guilty of Operating While Intoxicated, Endangering a person, and Neglect of a Dependent. Respondent received a two (2) year sentence in the Indiana Department of Correction, suspended and to include alcohol monitoring while on probation.

The sentence of two years in jail was suspended upon the condition that Respondent did not fail to comply with the alcohol monitoring during her probationary term.

Respondent did not comply with the alcohol monitoring and was put on home detention.

State's Exhibits

Exhibit A: Certified criminal record of Respondent

Exhibit B: Non-certified criminal record of Respondent

After discussion, the Committee moved to SUMMARILY SUSPEND Respondent's LICENSE for NINETY (90) DAYS.

Fox/Hawkins, 3/0/0  
Ayes: Jacobs, Hawkins, Fox  
Motion carries

Katherine Irene Boone, P.A., License No. 10001000A, Cause Number 2018 PAC 0002

Respondent appeared in person and with counsel, James Voyles, regarding a Petition to Withdraw Probation scheduled before the Committee. The State of Indiana was represented by Ryan Eldridge and the court report sworn in for this matter was Sherri Rutledge with Rutledge Independent Reporting.

Participating Committee Members: Steven Jacobs, P.A., Joseph Fox, M.D., Timothy Hawkins

Respondent stated that she has completed all requirements of her probation and asked that the probation be withdrawn from her license.

Respondent admitted the following exhibits:

Exhibit A: Notice of Completion of Probation, Hamilton County Superior Court 4

Exhibit B: Letter from Brenda Gardner, BSADC, LCAC, DUI Consultant

Respondent currently works for Franciscan Alliance and Community Health Network

State does not object to withdraw of probation.

After discussion, the Committee moved to WITHDRAW PROBATION.

Hawkins/Fox, 3/0/0  
Ayes: Jacobs, Hawkins, Fox  
Motion carries

### **DISCUSSION**

Participating Committee Members: Steven Jacobs, P.A., Joseph Fox, M.D., Timothy Hawkins

#### **Amendments to 844 IAC 2.2-1.1-16 & 844 IAC 2.2-2-2**

The Director presented draft to the Committee for approval.

After discussion, the Committee moved to APPROVE the DRAFT of the AMENDMENTS to 844 IAC 2.2-1.1-16 & 844 IAC 2.2-2-2.

Jacobs/Fox, 3/0/0  
Ayes: Jacobs, Hawkins, Fox  
Motion carries

### **REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS**

Participating Committee Members: Steven Jacobs, P.A., Joseph Fox, M.D., Timothy Hawkins

The Committee reviewed and approved all applications below for initial licensure, prescriptive authority, controlled substance registrations, change and/or addition, and positive response.

#### **Initial w/ CSR Applications**

Brunson, Jack  
Lenstrom, Amber  
Shinsako, Kevin  
Sturdy, Nathan

**Change/Additions**

Aleman, Emily  
Barton, Mark  
Bowen, Michelle  
Bunag, Steven  
Cayton, Guy  
Drummond, Janet  
Goodin, Chana  
Harper, Carissa  
Henderson, Karin  
Hetterman Blume, Jodi  
Lubbehusen, Connie  
Mihalic, Ryan  
Mylin, Kristal  
Osterbur, Todd  
Power, Kasie  
Repko, Lisa  
Schoen, Caitlin  
Sorg, Deanna  
Sterrett, Lauren  
Wenger, Amanda

**Change/Additions w/ Controlled Substance Registration**

Edgar, Peter  
Krengel, Sonia  
Kruse, Kathryn

**Controlled Substance Registration**

Boemer, Corey  
Buckingham, Kelsey  
Gonzalez, Nadia  
Hartung, Monica  
Herrmann, Christy  
Metzler, Adam  
Ostler, Calin  
Parrish, Samantha  
Stepney, John

**Requested Clarification**

Natasha Porter, P.A.

The Supervising Agreement that Ms. Porter submitted on July 13, 2017 had changes that the Assistant Director identified needed to be made prior to submitting to Committee for final review. The staff member handling Ms. Porter's application and agreement reached out to Ms. Porter on many occasions and never received an updated supervisory agreement with the requested changes included. The staff member

finally contacted Ms. Porter's supervising physician's office, My Mobile MD, listed in the incorrect supervisory agreement to try and contact Ms. Porter. The staff member spoke with the CEO of My Mobile MD who said Ms. Porter had been terminated on March 8, 2019.

After reviewing Ms. Porter's change/addition application and supervisory agreement, the Committee requested that the Assistant Director contact the CEO from My Mobile MD and inquire to the nature of the termination.

After final discussion, the Committee moved to DENY the CHANGE/ADDITION APPLICATION.

Jacobs/Hawkins, 3/0/0  
Ayes: Jacobs, Hawkins, Fox  
Motion carries

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

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Steven Jacobs, P.A., Chairman