

63rd Annual Congress
of the
Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards

MINUTES
Annual Business Meeting

Saturday, April 20, 1996
Chicago, Illinois

Chair: Robert M. Vaughn, D.C. - FCLB President

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - the meeting was called to order at 11:30 a.m. by Dr. Robert M. Vaughn, D.C., FCLB President.

It was noted that Avis McDonald, professional registered parliamentarian, would serve as parliamentarian and Donna Liewer would serve as Recording Secretary. Boards were reminded that the delegate or alternate should cast one vote per jurisdiction with the voting paddles where indicated, to ensure equal representation under the FCLB Bylaws.

The FCLB Officers and Executive Board were introduced.

2. **DEDICATION TO SERVICE** - Dr. Joseph Brimhall (UT) read a special dedication designed to acknowledge the sacrifice of citizens to create the systems of government and laws which underlie the responsibilities of regulatory boards.
3. **INVOCATION** - offered by Dr. Davis Kinney (GA).

Recognition of Honored Guests:

Dr. D. Brent Owens, Past President - FCLB
Dr. Frank G. Hideg, Jr., President - NBCE, Past President - FCLB
Dr. Paul M. Tullio, Chairman of the Board - NBCE
Dr. Titus Plomaritis, Past President - NBCE
Dr. Daniel St. Germain, President - Canadian Federation of Chiropractic Regulatory Boards

The Chair departed briefly from the agenda to recognize the **Minnesota State Board of Chiropractic Examiners** as the Federation's **1996 Outstanding Licensing Board**. Among many accomplishments listed were historical reports to CIN-BAD dating back to the 1950's, sensitive and responsible ground breaking work in the area of sexual boundaries training, an excellent regulatory newsletter, revised laws & rules book for every practitioner. The award was accepted by Dr. LeRoy Otto.

4. **CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT** - Dr. Jan Harbour (WV), Committee Chair, gave the credentials committee report, with appreciation to members Dr. George Phillips (WY) and Dr. Linda Steele Denham (GA). **The committee recommended that the delegates and alternates who were properly registered should be seated.**
5. **ROLL CALL / SEATING OF THE DELEGATES** - Donna Liewer called the roll, with 49 boards represented and properly registered. Hearing no objections, **the chair declared the delegates seated.**
6. **ADOPTION OF BUSINESS MEETING RULES AND PROTOCOL** - There being no objection to the Business Rules and Protocol as outlined in the conference notebooks, **the chair declared them adopted by general consent.**
7. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** - There being no objection or additions to the agenda as distributed in the conference notebooks, **the chair declared the agenda approved by general consent.**
8. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** - The chair explained that the Minutes Committee approved the minutes from Portland, Oregon: 1995, which were distributed last year to the membership.

The Minutes Committee for the 1996 Annual Meeting will be composed of:

Dr. Vernon Temple (VT) - Chair
Dr. Roger Pope (IL)
Dr. Ron Berg (NM)

9. **BUSINESS REPORTS**

- A. **President** - Dr. Robert M. Vaughn (NC) reported on the achievements of the FCLB this past year, including those outlined in the Annual Report. He noted special pleasure in the forward progress of CIN-BAD, the Model Disciplinary Code, continuing education application, and Part IV. He underscored the importance of the regulatory role in the emerging health care scene under managed care. Finally, he noted how much he has enjoyed the leadership responsibilities this past year.
- B. **Treasurer / Finance Committee** - Dr. David E. Brown (VA) directed members to the financial statement in the Annual Report, noting the positive balance and appreciation to NBCE for pledging \$100,000/year for its five years for operations support, and other additional project support. He urged that the board and members continue to act with a spirit of financial conservation, and assured the membership that the funds are safely handled, and hard at work for licensure and regulation.
- C. **Executive Director** - Donna Liewer drew attention to the Annual Report

which outlines the specific achievements of the past year, and expressed appreciation to the board, the membership, and the staff for the teamwork which made these possible.

D. **Legal Report** - No legal actions pending or in progress.

10. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. **Committee Reports** - The chair directed the members to the committee reports in the conference notebook, and recognized the following committee chairs for their work this past year:

- Governmental Affairs & Legal Advisory Committee - Dr. John DeMatte (PA)
- Convention and Program Committee - Dr. Lawrence Gerstein (MO)
- Long Range Planning Committee - Dr. Roger Pope (IL)
- Finance and Audit Committee - Dr. David E. Brown (VA)
- Resolutions and Bylaws Committee - Dr. Tony Lammers (SD)
- Nominating Committee - Dr. Carroll Winkler (ND)

The chair asked if there were any questions for the committee chairs - there were none.

B. **Long Range Planning Committee Member** - The chair noted that, in accordance with the FCLB Bylaws, the membership elects a member for a four-year term on the Long Range Planning Committee.

Dr. Roger Pope (IL) nominated Dr. John Quinlan (IA). There being no other nominations, **the chair declared Dr. John Quinlan (IA) a member of the Long Range Planning Committee for a four-year term to expire in the year 2,000.**

C. **Resolutions and Bylaws Committee** - Dr. Tony Lammers (SD), Chair, expressed his appreciation to the other members of the committee: Drs. Earl Barbour (NC), David E. Brown (VA), B.R. Jackson (TN), Audie Klingler (MD), and also to Dr. Larry Spicer (MN), who served as a non-voting member of the committee.

BYLAWS AMENDMENTS:

Dr. Lammers reviewed the eight proposed amendments, which had been sent to the membership in a timely manner by March 21, 1996, in accordance with the Bylaws. The Committee recommended "PASS" on each of the three amendments.

The chair noted that bylaws amendments require a 2/3 vote. **Each amendment was voted on separately.**

- **Bylaws Amendment # 1 passed with no opposition.**
ADDS AUSTRALIAN STATES OF NEW SOUTH WALES AND VICTORIA TO DISTRICT 4, IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR FORMAL ACT OF JOINING THE FEDERATION.
- **Bylaws Amendment # 2 passed with no opposition.**
CORRECTS VERY OLD TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR (ABOUT 1980) WHICH ACCIDENTALLY PUT MARYLAND IN DISTRICT 5 - IT WAS ORIGINALLY IN DISTRICT 3. THIS ALSO MAKES OUR DISTRICTS CONSISTENT WITH NBCE'S, AS WAS THE ORIGINAL INTENT.
- **Bylaws Amendment # 3 passed with Washington opposed.**
ALLOWS FOR PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE TO BECOME A "STANDING COMMITTEE" UNDER THE BYLAWS - RESPONSIBLE FOR RECOMMENDING PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS POLICIES TO THE MEMBERSHIP AND BOARD ON AN ON-GOING BASIS. IT HAS BEEN A "SPECIAL COMMITTEE" FOR OVER FIVE YEARS.

RESOLUTIONS:

Dr. Lammers reviewed and explained each of the six Resolutions before the membership. He noted that the committee had met and discussed these in detail, recommending unanimously that each be passed.

- **Resolution #1 - Urging boards to utilize the Uniform Continuing Education Application wherever their laws and regulations may permit.**
Passed with no opposition.
- **Resolution #2 - Opposing weekend teaching of chiropractic to non-chiropractors and urging boards to act within their available laws and regulations to sanction their licensees who participate in such programs.**
Passed with no opposition.
- **Resolution #3 - Modifying the FCLB Bylaws to make the Professional Standards Committee a Standing Committee rather than Special Committee or Task Force.** Passed with no opposition.
- **Resolution #4 - Urging boards to accept the Certification of Pre-Chiropractic and Chiropractic Education form as documentation for part of the requirements for licensure.** Passed with no opposition.
- **Resolution #5 - Urging Boards to review carefully the pre-chiropractic**

educational backgrounds of applicants for licensure until such time as candidates who may not meet CCE's standard admissions requirements are so noted by the colleges. Passed with Washington and New Jersey opposed.

- **Resolution #6 - Establishing recommendations for licensing Australian chiropractic graduates in U.S. jurisdictions.** Passed with no opposition.

An update on Resolution #4 from 1995 was presented to the members, including a draft of the formal complaint against the US CCE to be filed with USDE, in accordance with the directive of the membership. It was noted that the CCE had been included in the discussions and information.

11. **SPECIAL COMMITTEES OR TASK FORCES**

The chair directed the members to the committee reports in the conference notebook, and recognized the following committee chairs for their work this past year:

- Data Bank & Analysis Committee - Dr. John Tierney (NC)
- Department of Defense: Chiropractic Health Care Demonstration Project - Dr. Peter D. Ferguson (OH)
- Committee on Professional Standards - Dr. D. Brent Owens (FL)
- Task Force on the Pre-Chiropractic Entrance Examination - Drs. Vernon Temple (VT) and Ken Padgett (New York Chiropractic College), Co-Chairs
- Task Force to Develop a Model Disciplinary Code - Dr. Lawrence Gerstein (MO)
- Task Force on Continuing Education Qualifications - Dr. Michael Martello (CA)
- Task Force on Chiropractic Health Care Fraud - Dr. Randolph C. Harding (FL)
- National Board of Chiropractic Examiners - Dr. Lawrence Gerstein (MO) and Dr. Robert M. Vaughn (NC)
- Council on Chiropractic Education / Commission on Accreditation - Dr. Meredith H. Bakke (WI) and Dr. Randolph C. Harding (FL)
- Council on Chiropractic Guidelines & Practice Parameters - Dr. James Powell (OH)

The chair asked if there were any questions for the committee chairs - there were none.

12. **National Board of Chiropractic Examiners** - Dr. Lawrence Gerstein (MO) reported on some of the accomplishments of the NBCE during the past year, including the Part IV (Practical Exam).

13. **NEW BUSINESS**

The chair called for any new business - there was none.

14. **NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT / ELECTIONS**

The chair announced the results of district director elections:

- District I elected Dr. George Phillips of Wyoming for his first full three-year term as FCLB District Director (he previously completed the unexpired term of Dr. Jerry Blanchard (ND)).

He noted Dr. Phillips will be seated at the end of this year's business meeting.

A. **Report of the Nominating Committee** - Dr. Carroll H. Winkler served as Chair in his role as Immediate Past President of the Federation. He expressed his appreciation to the other members of the committee: Drs. Robert Hoffman (AR), Audie Klingler (MD), Vernon Temple (VT), and Ronald Zoeller (KS). He reported on the Nominating Committee's unanimous recommendations for officers and placed their names into nomination:

- *Dr. Robert M. Vaughn (NC) - President for a one-year term, to conclude with the annual business meeting in 1997.*
- *Dr. Lawrence M. Gerstein (MO) - Vice-President for a one-year term, to conclude with the annual business meeting in 1997.*
- *Dr. David E. Brown (VA) - Treasurer for a two-year term to conclude with the annual business meeting in 1998.*

There being no other candidates for either of these offices, **the chair declared each one individually elected by acclamation.**

B. **Approval by the membership of two nominations to the Nominating Committee**

The Chair reported that the FCLB Board of Directors had nominated two members for approval to the 1996-97 Nominating Committee:

- Dr. Ron Zoeller of Kansas
- Dr. Tony Lammers of South Dakota

By individual vote on each nomination, Drs. Zoeller and Lammers were approved without opposition.

14. **REPORT OF THE CONVENTION AND PROGRAM COMMITTEE**

Dr. Gerstein thanked those who helped make the Chicago meeting a success. He reported that future FCLB conference sites will be as follows:

1997	District 5 - West Palm Beach, Florida
1998	District 4 - San Diego, California

15. **INSTALLATION CEREMONY**

Dr. Frank G. Hideg, Jr. (KY), FCLB Past President, installed the 1996-97 FCLB

Board of Directors.

The chair called for any additional business to bring before the assembly.

A moment of silence was requested by Dr. Robert Stover of Nebraska, in memory of the contributions of Dr. Russ Erhardt.

16. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the FCLB's annual business meeting was adjourned until May 1997 in Palm Beach, Florida.

Donna M. Liewer
Recording Secretary

APPROVED by the 1996 Minutes Committee:

Dr. Vernon Temple, Vermont (Chair)

Dr. Ron Berg, New Mexico

Dr. Roger Pope, Illinois