



Arizona Medical Board and Arizona Regulatory Board of Physician Assistants

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DRAFT MINUTES FOR THE BIENNIAL JOINT OFFICERS MEETING OF THE ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD AND ARIZONA REGULATORY BOARD OF PHYSICIANS ASSISTANTS Held on Wednesday, February 25, 2026 1740 W. Adams St. • Phoenix, Arizona

Arizona Medical Board Officers

Gary R. Figge, M.D., Chair
Bruce A. Bethancourt, M.D., F.A.C.P., Vice-Chair
Laura Dorrell, M.S.N., R.N., Secretary

Arizona Regulatory Board of Physician Assistants Officers

Susan Reina, P.A.-C, Chair
John J. Shaff, PA-C, D.F.A.A.P.A., Vice-Chair

GENERAL BUSINESS

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Figge called the meeting to order at 9:57 a.m.

B. ROLL CALL

The following Board members were present: PA Reina, Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt and Ms. Dorrell.

The following Officers were absent: PA Shaff.

ALSO PRESENT

The following Board staff were present: Raquel Rivera, Executive Director; Nicole Samaradellis, Investigations Manager; and Michelle Robles, Board Operations Manager. Carrie Smith, Assistant Attorney General ("AAG") were also present.

C. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No individuals addressed the Officers during Public Statements portion of the meeting.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- October 6, 2025 Biannual Joint Officers Meeting

MOTION: PA Reina moved to approve the October 6, 2025 Joint Officers' Teleconference meeting.

SECOND: Dr. Bethancourt.

VOTE: The following Officers voted in favor of the motion: PA Reina, Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt and Ms. Dorrell. The following Officer was absent: PA Shaff.

VOTE: 4-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 1-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

E. DISCUSSION REGARDING NEXT JOINT OFFICERS' MEETING

- Discussion of Dates for Future Meeting
Ms. Rivera noted that the next meeting will be prior to the AMB August meeting.
- Discussion of Topics for Future Meeting
Ms. Rivera informed the Officers that she will have discussion topics agendized for the next meeting regarding general topics relating to both Boards.

F. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: PA Reina moved to adjourn.

SECOND: Dr. Bethancourt.

VOTE: The following Officers voted in favor of the motion: PA Reina, Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt and Ms. Dorrell. The following Officer was absent: PA Shaff.

VOTE: 4-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 1-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

The meeting adjourned at 10:01 a.m.



Raquel Rivera, Executive Director