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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
MEDICAL QUALITY ASSURANCE
BOARD OF ORTHOTISTS & PROSTHETISTS**

**MINUTES – DRAFT
GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING
By
TELEPHONE CONFERENCE**

**4052 Bald Cypress Way
Tallahassee, FL**

November 15, 2013

General Board Business started: 10:08 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Chmielewski, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m. Those present for all or part of the meeting included the following:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tommy Chmielewski, LPO, Chair
Steven Mersch, CPO, LPO

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Erik Nilssen, MD, Vice-Chair

BOARD STAFF:

William Miller, Executive Director
Sharon Guilford, Program Operations Administrator

BOARD COUNSEL:

Lynette Norr, Assistant Attorney General
Office of Attorney General

COURT REPORTER:

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(850) 222-5491

**PETITION OF DECLARATORY STATEMENT – Section 468.80(6), Florida Statutes –
Stephen B. Fletcher, CPO, LPO, Director, Clinical Resources – American Board for
Certification in Orthotics, Prosthetics & Pedorthics, Inc.**

Mr. Fletcher was present and addressed the board.

Ms. Norr provided an overview of the process in hearing the Petition of Declaratory Statement.

**Mr. Chmielewski moved to deny the petition due to lack of standing. The motion was
seconded and carried 2/0.**

1 Mr. Mersch read into the record Section 468.80(7), F.S.

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3 The members requested to discuss the scope of practice of an orthotist and orthotic fitter at the
4 next scheduled meeting.

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6 **NEXT MEETING DATE:**

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8 **February 28th – Ft. Lauderdale/Miami**

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10 **General Board Business ended: 10:36 a.m.**

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12 **ADJOURNMENT:**

13 The meeting was adjourned at 10:36 a.m.