

# **MINUTES**

North Carolina Medical Board

**February 21 & 22, 2001**

**1201 Front Street, Suite 100  
Raleigh, North Carolina**

Minutes of the Open Sessions of the North Carolina Medical Board Meeting February 21 and 22, 2001.

The February 21 and 22, 2001, meeting of the North Carolina Medical Board was held at the Board's Office, 1201 Front Street, Suite 100, Raleigh, NC 27609. The meeting was called to order at 11:35 a.m., Wednesday, February 21, 2001, by Elizabeth P. Kanof, MD, President. Board members in attendance were: Walter J. Pories, MD, Vice President; John T. Dees, MD; Secretary/Treasurer; George C. Barrett, MD; Kenneth H. Chambers, MD; John W. Foust, MD; E. K. Fretwell, PhD; Charles L. Garrett, MD; Stephen M. Herring, MD; Robin N. Hunter-Buskey, PA-C; Mr. Paul Saperstein (conference call for Investigative and Operations Committees only); and Mr. Aloysius P. Walsh.

Staff members present were: Mr. Andrew W. Watry, Executive Director; Ms. Helen Diane Meelheim, Deputy Director; Mr. R. David Henderson, Board Attorney; Mr. William H. Breeze, Jr., Board Attorney; Ms. Wanda Long, Legal Assistant; Lynne Edwards, Legal Assistant; Mr. John W. Jargstorf, Investigative Director; Mr. Don R. Pittman, Investigative Field Supervisor; Mr. Edmond Kirby-Smith, Investigator; Ms. Donna Mahony, Investigator; Mr. Fred Tucker, Investigator; Mrs. Therese Dembroski, Investigator; Ms. Barbara Brame, Investigator; Ms. Edith Moore, Investigator; Mr. Jason Ward, Investigator; Mrs. Jenny Olmstead, Senior Investigative Coordinator; Ms. Michelle Lee, Investigative Coordinator/Malpractice Coordinator; Ms. Myriam Hopson, Investigative Coordinator; Mr. Dale Breaden, Director of Communications and Public Affairs; Ms. Shannon Kingston, Public Affairs Assistant; Mrs. Joy D. Cooke, Licensing Director; Mr. Jeff A. Peake, Licensing Assistant; Ms. Erin Gough, PA/NP Coordinator; Mr. James Campbell, Licensing Assistant; Tammy O'Hare, Licensing Assistant; Mrs. Janice Fowler, Operations Assistant; Mr. Peter Celentano, Controller; Ms. Sonya Darnell, Operations Assistant; Ms. Ann Z. Norris, Verification Secretary; Gary Townsend, MD, JD, Medical Coordinator; Ms. Judie Clark, Complaint Department Director; Mrs. Sharon Squibb-Denslow, Complaint Department Assistant; Ms. Sherry Hyder, Complaint Department Assistant; Mr. Jeffery T. Denton, Administrative Assistant/Board Secretary; Mr. Allen Holcomb, Operations Assistant; Ms. Deborah Aycock, Receptionist; and Ms. Rebecca L. Manning, Information Specialist.

## MISCELLANEOUS

### Presidential Remarks

Dr. Kanof commenced the meeting by reading the North Carolina Board of Ethics "ethics awareness and conflict of interest reminder."

### Health Plan Reporting Requirements (to the Medical Board)

After much discussion the North Carolina Medical Society still feels that only competence or conduct issues should be reported to the Board and wants the Board to narrow reports to these two issues.

**Motion:** A motion passed that the Medical Board modify its reporting procedures under NCGS § 90-14.13 and issue guidance clarifying the range of competence and conduct related to terminations, suspensions, resignations, etc., that should be reported in the interest of protecting the public.

**Action:** As the reporting procedure is developed the Medical Board's legal staff will ask the Attorney General "if the North Carolina Medical Board has the authority to interpret the meaning of the reporting procedures in NCGS § 90-14.13."

### Thom Mansfield, JD – New Legal Department Director

Mr. Thom Mansfield was introduced to Board Members as the new Legal Department Director. He will start fulltime with the Board in early April 2001.

## **EMS Legislative Initiatives**

At the January 2001 Board Meeting Mr. Drexel Pratt and Mr. Ed Browning of the Office of Emergency Medical Services met with the Board to discuss EMS legislative initiatives. The Board expressed some concerns regarding scope issues. At the end of that meeting Dr. Kanof asked Mr. Pratt and Mr. Browning to go back to their lawyers and give the Medical Board an update at the February Board Meeting, and if a teleconference is needed prior to that due to legislative deadlines, to let the Medical Board know.

The Board has been notified that EMS is ready to go forward with their bill. The Medical Board has concerns since a copy of their final bill draft has not been presented to the Board yet. There are still concerns over scope issues and practice settings. The Board does not consider giving an immunization as emergent care.

## **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

### **HEARINGS**

**HAMILTON**, James Green, MD

Consent Order accepted wherein Dr. Hamilton voluntarily surrenders his license, agrees to take and pass SPEX and have an evaluation by PLAS.

## **POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT**

John Foust, MD, Chair; Elizabeth Kanof, MD; Stephen Herring, MD; Walter Pories, MD, Aloysius Walsh

The Policy Committee was called to order at 2:05 p.m., Wednesday, January 24, 2001, at the office of the Board. Present were: John W. Foust, MD, Chair; Stephen M. Herring, MD; Elizabeth P. Kanof, MD; Walter J. Pories, MD; Aloysius P. Walsh; John T. Dees, MD, Board Member; George C. Barrett, MD, Board Member; Andrew W. Watry, Executive Director; H. Diane Meelheim, Deputy Director; Melanie Phelps, North Carolina Medical Society; William H. Breeze, Board Attorney; Dale G Breden, Director, Public Affairs (PC Staff); and Jeffery T. Denton, Board Recorder (PC Staff).

### **Review of Minutes**

The minutes of the January 24, 2001 Policy Committee were reviewed and accepted.

### **Scope of Practice Subcommittee Update** (Drs Herring and Pories)

Dr. Herring stated there was nothing to report at this time.

### **Alternative Medicine Subcommittee Update** (Drs Kanof and Walsh)

Dr Kanof stated that they continue to review literature forwarded by staff and that they have added a new journal the *Scientific Review of Alternative Medicine*. She commented on an editorial regarding the White House Commission that is doing a scientific review on alternative medicine and voiced some concern about its membership. Mr Walsh commented on several articles and the upcoming meetings of the White House Commission.

### **Office-Based Surgery; Definition of Incidental Surgery** (Dr Pories)

Dr Pories' draft definition of incidental surgery had been previously distributed for review and/or discussion. Ms Phelps stated that this item had been pushed back as a priority by the Medical Care Commission and the draft definition probably did not need to be discussed at this time. A motion was made to accept Dr Pories definition but was not seconded. Dr

Kanof agreed that the issue of a definition was not now a major priority of the Medical Care Commission.

**Action:** This item is tabled until the Board hears from the Medical Care Commission.

### **Development of a Regulatory System for Office-based Surgery**

Ms Meelheim stated that she had met with Ms Phelps and they had devised an initial draft of a questionnaire that would be sent out, either online or via hard copy, to all physicians to ascertain the extent of anesthesia that is being used in physicians' offices. The Medical Society has agreed to pay the cost if the hard copy route is chosen. The draft questionnaire will be shared with the committee.

### **MD/DO Advertising and Publicity**

At the November 2000 Board meeting, the president assigned the following North Carolina Medical Society resolution to the Policy Committee for consideration: "Resolved, that the North Carolina Medical Society request that the North Carolina Medical Board issue a position statement clarifying how physicians should properly designate their osteopathic or allopathic status in all commonly used media, forward to the Federation of State Medical Boards for implementation, and specify the circumstances under which physicians may be disciplined for non-compliance with the Board's position." Dr. Kanof presented a revised "Advertising and Publicity" position statement incorporating wording to address earned medical degrees. She proposed it be adopted by the Medical Board and then forwarded to the Federation of State Medical Boards for national consideration. Mr Watry stated he would like the State Osteopathic Medical Society to review the statement. He also suggested this may not be well received at the Federation level. Extensive discussion of the proposed revision followed.

**Recommendation:** That the Board adopt the proposed revision of the Position Statement on Advertising and Publicity as presented by Dr Kanof.

**Motion:** (JF, CG) A motion passed that this recommendation be tabled and sent back to the Policy Committee for further review.

### **Regulating the Sale of Goods from Physician Offices**

At the January committee meeting it was decided to review the statements from the FSMB and the AMA regarding regulation of the sale of goods from physician offices. Dr Foust offered a draft position statement on the subject for discussion. Suggestions were made for modification of the proposal.

**Action:** Review a corrected version of the proposed statement at the next Committee meeting.

### **Development of Guidelines for Problem Physicians; A Discussion**

Dr Herring announced that he had been provided a disk of information by the Medical Board staff and is in the process of categorizing the information. He will then bring it back to the Committee with possible options on how to set up the Guidelines. He requested the staff who obtain and review information regarding what other states are doing in this area.

**Action:** The staff will query other states with regards to problem physician guidelines and provide that information to Dr Herring for review.

### **Annual Review of Position Statements**

The annual review of position statements continued. Several changes were discussed. Some concerns were expressed regarding the proposed position statement on Care of Surgical Patients. Two proposals were approved for consideration by the Board.

**Action:** (1) Before the Committee consider the position statement on writing prescriptions, Mr Watry will meet with the executive director of the Pharmacy Board for information.

(2) Review of the position statement "Care of Surgical Patients" was tabled.

It will be brought back to the next meeting by Drs Foust, Pories, and Herring.

**Motion:** (1) A motion passed that the Board adopt the revision of the Position Statement on Contact with Patients Before Prescribing.

(2) A motion passed that the Board adopt the revision of the Position Statement on Guidelines for Avoiding Misunderstandings.

### **Inquiry on Microdermabrasion**

At the January 2001 Committee meeting, a letter from Mr Hollowell's office was reviewed that asked if Microdermabrasion would be included under the heading of surgery as defined by the Board. It was decided to query other states. Information from other states was obtained by staff and was reviewed. Dr Kanof described the procedure and believes that it is not surgery and that the equipment sold to physicians can be used by any of the Board's licensees that has had adequate training to use it. The subject was then discussed at length.

**Action:** Information is inadequate at this time and a definite conclusion cannot be reached on this question.

### **Policy Committee Meeting Schedule**

Dr. Foust asked if the committee could get more done with a bigger time slot every other month rather than a small time slot every month. A discussion ensued and, with the president's approval, it was decided to hold Policy Committee meetings for longer periods in the even-numbered months.

**Action:** The Policy Committee's next meeting will be in April 2001 and every other month thereafter.

### **Malpractice Settlements at Duke University**

A recent complaint and review of malpractice information associated with that complaint revealed that Duke has set up a series of limited liability partnerships and corporations with generic names. They then make settlements in the name of these generic partnerships and corporations, thus skirting the need to report under the state statute or to the NPDB.

**Action:** The staff will research this in more detail and also check with other North Carolina medical schools.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m., Wednesday, February 21, 2001.

**Motion:** A motion passed that the Policy Committee report be accepted as amended.

## **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT**

Elizabeth Kanof, MD; Walter Pories, MD; John Dees, MD; Paul Saperstein

Chairman, Paul Saperstein, called the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Medical Board to order at 8:30 am. Members in attendance were Liz Kanof, MD, President; Walter J. Pories, Vice President; John Dees, MD, Secretary/ Treasurer; Andy Watry, Executive Director; Peter Celentano, Controller; Diane Meelheim, Assistant Executive Director. (Mr. Saperstein participated by telephone.)

January financials were discussed in detail. Mr. Saperstein noted that the Board continues in the black.

Personnel issues discussed included information regarding the final selection for the Director of the Legal Department. The committee is to meet with the candidate at 5 pm. Additionally, Mr.

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Allen Holcomb has been hired as a temporary worker to fill a vacant position in the Operations Department.

There are a number of new Board members who need an orientation to the Directors and Officers Insurance policy. This is to be given by Ms Meelheim when time permits.

Dr. Kanof presented a work sheet, which she endorsed as a method of conveying policy information among the Executive Committee. This will be discussed in more depth at a later meeting.

Mr. Watry presented information regarding a proposal from an outside legal firm who have agreed to handle cases for the Board on an hourly basis. The committee endorsed this method of moving these cases along more rapidly.

**Motion:** A motion passed to approve the report as presented.

## **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) COMMITTEE REPORT**

Walter Pories, MD; Aloysius Walsh; Robin Hunter-Buskey, PAC

A motion passed to close the session to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16, and 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes.

The EMS Committee reported on 7 investigative cases. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

## **PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT COMMITTEE REPORT**

Walter Pories, MD; Aloysius Walsh; Robin Hunter-Buskey, PAC

### **PA License Applications-**

(\*\*\*Indicates PA has not submitted Intent to Practice Forms)

Committee Recommendation: Issue full licenses

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT	PRIMARY SUPERVISOR	PRACTICE CITY
Adams, John Neil	Thompson, Lisa	Raleigh
Arledge, Robert Edwood	Strand, Terry	Greensboro
Childers, Joanna Jill	Pierce, Charles G.	Ahoskie
Coote, Michael James	***	
Elvington, Meredith Swaine	Carducci, Bryan	Burlington
Manigo, Laura Lynne	***	
Orlando, Lesa Marie	***	
Villarreal, Alfredo DeLeon	***	
Ward, Staci Lyn	Smith, Peter K.	Durham

### **PA Intent to Practice Forms for Committee Review-**

A motion passed to close the session to investigate, examine, or determine the character and other qualifications of applicants for professional licenses or certificates while meeting with respect to individual applicants for such licenses or certificates.

The Board reviewed one licensure application. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

**PA Intent to Practice Forms Acknowledged-**

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT	PRIMARY SUPERVISOR	PRACTICE CITY
Achard, Malinda Lou	Morris, Kimberly Krepp	Asheville
Beaman Jr, Carlton Reid	Smith, Timothy Carl	Roanoke Rapids
Beaman Jr, Carlton Reid	Carter, Kenneth Charles	Wilson
Billups, Jill	Belford, Paul Douglas	Wilmington
Boyd, William Scott	Judge, Cathy Mae	Kernersville
Clifton, Stevan Michael	Jacobs, James Ralph	Charlotte
Cole, Christopher Boyce	Harrelson, John Miles	Durham
Costello, Richard Joseph	Marshbanks, Mary Alice	High Point
Crump, Carole McAlister	Jenkins, Charles Sidney P.	Fayetteville
DellaBona, Laura Ann	Peralta-Kattengell, Ivania	Roanoke Rapids
Desamero, Janet Labayo	Raad, George Louis	Charlotte
Friedman, Erica Carla	Porter, Barbara Ann	Durham
Futch, William	Feasel, Michael John	Kinston
Gehrman, David William	Preston Jr., Edwin Thornton	Durham
Gunn, Matthew Peter	Smith, Timothy Carl	Roanoke Rapids
Harrell, Carol Anne	Umesi, Obinnaya Chiegeiro	Selma
Hawley, John P.	Krause, Robert A.	Jacksonville
Houle, Katherine Ann	Marshall, William Jeffery	Clemmons
Ingram, Daniel Wayne	Allen, Robert Lee	Raleigh
Johnstone III, Thomas Kennerly	Ball, Rebecca Ann	Wentworth
Jones, Nancy	Phillips, Ditte Gail	Clyde
Katz, Rita Goins	Denning, Christopher Marshal	Shelby
Kelly, Larry Thomas	Finch, James Walter	Durham
King, Deborah	Lewis, Marvin	Spring Lake
Lacey, Donna Murray	Ghuneim, Nizar Mohamed	Charlotte
Lee, James Michael	Rennard, Thomas William	Asheville
Lishchynsky, Michael A.	Henderson, Keith Francis	Fayetteville
McCain, Wilda Ann	Patel, Ramesh	Raeford
Midyette, Debra Kay	Jacobs, James Ralph	Charlotte
Oyama, Oliver Neal	Aragon, Leah Amante	Elizabethtown
Pingley, Deana Renee	Janeway, David Van Zandt	Winston-Salem
Poland-Torres, Denise	Pinkerton Jr., Jerry Lyle	N. Wilkesboro
Quillen, Rocky C.	Noell, John Stanford	Concord
Reeves, David Allen	Verrilli III, Albert Alexander	Clinton
Singh, Neil M.	Kihlstrom, Bruce Lee	Durham
Smith, David Lewis	Lobao, Celso Benedito	Wilson
Stamper, Jr., Elmer Franklin	Wheeler, Anthony Hallock	Charlotte
Sumerlin, Jeffrey Scott	Feasel, Michael John	Kinston
Suver, Joan Marie	Nacouzi, Vincent Anthony	Raleigh

Taylor, Charles William	Buzzanell, Charles Anton	Hendersonville
Tuttle, Audrey Bruno	Freedman, Barry Ira	Winston-Salem
Vanstory, Lana Smith	Zinser, James Richard	Fayetteville
Walker, Janice	Bock, Richard Wolcott	Asheville
Waronsky, Roy George	Allgood, Sara Elizabeth	Charlotte
Waronsky, Roy George	Griggs Jr., James Philip	Charlotte
Waronsky, Roy George	White, Lena Katherine	Charlotte
Waronsky, Roy George	Dover, Cathy Nichelson	Huntersville
Washburn, Deborah Edwards	Morell, Robert Craig	Winston-Salem
Weaver, Scott Thomas	Rothbart, Robert Mitchell	Greensboro
Whitmore, Donald Allen	Whitmore, Donald Allen	Fayetteville
Wigman, Edith Losey	Peralta-Kattengell, Ivania	Roanoke Rapids
Williams, Kevin Rolando	Garmon-Brown, Ophelia E.	Charlotte
Wright, Signe Harrang	Axelbank, Arthur	Hillsborough
Yates, Heather	Hinson, Jonathan Cordell	Lexington

**Public Agenda Items for Committee Discussion-**

- A. Response from Franklin Group, Inc., regarding their marketing solicitations to NC PAs.
- Committee Recommendation: Accept as information.

**NURSE PRACTITIONER COMMITTEE REPORT**

Walter Pories, MD; Aloysius Walsh, Robin Hunter-Buskey, PAC

**NP Initial Applications Recommended for Approval after Staff Review-**

Committee Recommendation: Approve

<b>NURSE PRACTITIONER</b>	<b>PRIMARY SUPERVISOR</b>	<b>PRACTICE CITY</b>
Carr, Mary Elizabeth	Adams, Robert S.	Ft. Bragg
Bartle, Bronwyn Hettenbach	Kubicki, Steven P.	Raleigh
Beck-Sieg, Judy Hensley	Layson, Rita T.	Greensboro
Belanger, Marie Cerve	Garrett, James E.	Jacksonville
Biel, Carolyn Rosenberger	Holt Jr., Frank L.	Supply
Coates, Ruth Loretta	Jones III, Friedlen B.	Mars Hill
Farrell, Megan Roberts	Salter, Teresa P.	Cary
Foy, Paula Skinner	Barakat, Ahmad B.	Faison
Fulwood, Karen Jackson	Caldwell, James P.	Sanford
Harwood, Linda Sue	Troxler, David H.	Asheville
Hillyard, Christine Ann	Oswalt, Kenneth E.	Fayetteville
Houdek, Debra Lee	Frazer III, Joe W.	Asheville
Jones, Susan Parrish	McCaleb, Jane H.	Weldon
Kaufman, Jane S.	Donohue, James F.	Chapel Hill
Martin-Watson, Betty Louise	English, Betsy M.	Winston-Salem
Mitchell, Mary Ellen	Hudson, Tonya M.	Huntersville
Orsini, Janice Hunter	Hart, Robert E.	Hickory
Pickett, Stephanie	Goetzl, Ugo	Durham
Pokorsky, Jennifer Lynn	Ranson, James L.	Greensboro
Shelton, Penny D.	Burke, Henry L.	Charlotte
Stroud, Lori Ann	Lee, Sue H.	Trenton

Trahan, Helen Blake  
 Virgil, Kelly Adair  
 White, Mary Blackwelder

McAlexander, Donald L.  
 Blount Jr., Alvin V.  
 Adams, Bryan C.

Concord  
 Greensboro  
 Charlotte

NP Subsequent Applications administratively approved-

Committee Recommendation: Approve

<b>NURSE PRACTITIONER</b>	<b>PRIMARY SUPERVISOR</b>	<b>PRACTICE CITY</b>
Appel, Susan J.	Cummings, Delora	Durham
Ashby, Terrance C.	Fretwell, Marsha D.	Wilmington
Ashe, Melanie W.	Cash, Ted Freeman	Laundale
Bach, Cynthia	Faidas, Anna G.	New Bern
Barnhardt, Debra	Clements, Thad A.	Charlotte
Betts III, Wilmer C.	Pletcher III, David W.	Raleigh
Butts, Jimmie	Lowry, Brian	Morehead City
Cannon, Deborah C.	Hooper, Thomas E.	Wilson
Carpenter, Dixie A.	Griffiths, Frances H.	Lillington
Craig, Joan	Searles, Anthony D.	Charlotte
Cronin, Lucianne	Chandler, Pushpa	Gastonia
Fender, Tonya	Kothadia, Jarnanadas	Charlotte
Gardner, Mary F.	Willson, Charles F.	New Bern
Gaweda, Amy	Gramley, William A.	Wilmington
Hallock, Judith	Fisher, Ronald P.	Sylva
Hardin, Theresa W.	Lackey, Philip C.	Charlotte
Hessenflow, Louise H.	Temple, Rufus H.	Wilmington
Hunter, Laura H.	Johnson, Patricia J.	Robbinsville
Kenny, Julia E.	Page, Neil	Ft. Bragg
Kiser, Deleslie	Steffens, Thomas A.	Concord
Loflin, Dora C.	Garg, Shyam	Hampstead
Lundrigan, Carol Jean	Slyman, James F.	Lexington
Olshan-Perlmutter, M.	Casat, Charles D.	Charlotte
Padgett, Roslyn C.	Ashkin, Evan	Durham
Phillips, Judy	Messino, Michael J.	Asheville
Reynolds, Eva M.	Moffitt, William R.	Tuxedo
Richards, Betsy E.	Doubeni, Chyke A.	Wilson
Richards, Jill Eileen	Hembree Jr., Eugene E.	Gastonia
Rinkacs, Thomas	Rowson, Jonathan	Maxton
Rivers, Kathleen A.	Page, Neil	Ft. Bragg
Setzer, Susan	Marshall, Sheila F.	Cary
Setzer, Susan	Bushell, Ian Wilson	Cary
Small, Adrienne Y.	Broyles, William K.	Durham
Snipes, Missy M.	Cox, Craig H.	Huntersville
Spinks, Carroll C.	Ross, Charles A.	Greensboro
Strong, Susan	Raines III, Lawrence M.	Chapel Hill
Sugg, John B.	Walsh, Amy J.	Wake Forest
Switalski, Sharon M.	Kothadia, Jarnanadas	Charlotte
Taylor, Anne	Haq, Muhammad	Fayetteville
Turner, Stephanie	McManus, Keith E.	Siler City
Wiggans, Teresa A.	Fernandez, Eldaliz A.	Greensboro
Wilson, Natalie	Lawson, Healy W.	Raleigh
Young, Laura	Dabney, Lisa G.	Richlands
Young, Nancy J.	Fernandez, Juan H.	Greensboro

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## LICENSING COMMITTEE REPORT

Kenneth Chambers, MD; Robin Hunter-Buskey, PAC; E.K. Fretwell, PhD

### Granting “license by exam” beyond the 7 years guideline

Catchline: Dr. Kanof requested the Committee study this issue - The regulatory rules are not consistent regarding the 7 year rule. There is no language in the rules for license by exam (section .0200 of Subchapter 32B) to mirror the language in the rules for license by endorsement (section .0314 (b) (2)). This item was sent to Board Members by memo on February 1, to allow time to think about it.

Determine if “7 years “ is a good representation of time for “current fund of knowledge “. FSMB suggested this was each Board’s decision.

Board Action: Make the rules consistent by implementing a 7 year rule for license by exam. Include a statement that MD/PhD candidates, at the discretion of the Board, be given up to 10 years to pass all 3 steps USMLE.

### Retired Volunteer Physicians

Catchline: Dr. Kanof also requested the Committee study establishing a way to determine if a physician requesting a retired volunteer license has been keeping up to date with medicine. This item was also sent to Board Members by memo on February 1.

Board Action: Have the License Committee and Legal Staff explore this issue and make a recommendation to the Board.

### E-Mailing license interview materials

Catchline: We have experimented e-mailing interview materials with Dr. Herring. Please let the license staff know if you are interested in receiving interview information electronically.

Board Action: Have Dr. Herring continue to evaluate and report back on progress.

### NPDB Reporting

Catchline: It has come to staff’s attention that “first time” applicants who are denied a license are NOT reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank. Renewals denied are reported. The Board has tried to avoid “denials” in the past by allowing physicians to withdraw their applications. This is for information only – the Board may want to rethink their position on “denying licensure” in view of this.

Board action: Accept as information

A motion passed to close the session to investigate, examine, or determine the character and other qualifications of applicants for professional licenses or certificates while meeting with respect to individual applicants for such licenses or certificates.

The Board reviewed 3 licensure applications. A written report was presented for the Board’s review. The Board adopted the committee’s recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

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A motion passed to return to open session.

### **SPLIT BOARD LICENSURE INTERVIEWS**

A motion passed to close the session to investigate, examine, or determine the character and other qualifications of applicants for professional licenses or certificates while meeting with respect to individual applicants for such licenses or certificates.

Nine licensure interviews were conducted. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session

### **APPLICANTS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD**

Elsie Denise Absher  
Oluyemisi Adebisi Adetunji  
Frank Alan Agatucci  
Phillip Bernard Aguila  
James Browden Allen III  
Victor M. Amato  
Diane Marie Angstadt  
Maria Lourdes Cespon  
Austria  
James Hamilton Baird  
Vito Basile  
Kelly Ann Bauer  
Marlene Ann Bednar  
Broderick Cande Bello  
Dale Joseph Block  
Thomas Kermit Bond  
Donna Lynn Burkett  
Kevin Lee Burns  
Eric Wayne Byrd  
Jeffrey Paul Campbell  
Hui-li Chiou  
J.F. Donal Conway  
Gary Paul Cram Jr.  
James David Crowther  
Jasmin Cornette Daniels  
Dimitar Iliev Dentchev  
Derek Holt Dephouse  
Perry Joseph DePietro  
Richard Carl Dobson  
James M. Donnell  
James Donald Doyle  
Daniel Lowell Drotts  
Kenneth Elmassian  
Robert Genier Ferguson  
George Burch Fisher Jr  
Kirk Alan Freedman  
James Alfred Gaskins, Jr.  
John Andrew Gehweiler, Jr.

Marie Noelle Gravier-  
Farnsworth  
Anjali Lala Gupta  
Rohit Kumar Gupta  
Quaker Elizabeth Harmon  
Myleme Ojinga Harrison  
Robert Boyd Heglar  
Heather Marie Henderson  
Adrian Felipe Hernandez  
Kelly Redden Hobgood  
Lawrence Byerly Holt, Jr.  
Sid Mohammad Hosseini  
Sara Ann Lippard Hoyt  
Nathan Jon Hruska  
Susan Diane Izatt  
David Patrick Johnson  
John David Johnston  
Michael Elvin Kelly  
Thuy Mai Keriakes  
Gregg Alan Koldenhoven  
Andrew Jerome Kosmowski  
Kathy Lynn Kowalchyk  
Gordon Bruce Kuttner  
Maurice Bernard Landers, III  
Michael David Lauffenburger  
Hans Wolfgang Losken  
Laurie Penhall MacDonald  
Byron Harrison Mainor  
Vaishali Sukhani Mankad  
Tanya Denise Martin  
Talbot Green McCormick III  
David Lawrence McDonagh  
Franklin Riley McGuire  
Simon Millar  
Daniel Hood Moore  
Charles Richard Nixon II  
Sidi Yousseff Noor  
Remon Obeid

Michael Edward O'Keeffe  
Matthew David Olin  
Adeyemi John Olufolabi  
John Charles Parker  
Jeffrey David Parks  
Joseph Wojciech Pawlik  
James Vincent Perciaccante  
Steven Charles Perlaky  
Gregory Daniel Perry  
Jennifer Hope Peterson  
Deborah Irene Pierce  
Charles Randolph Radmer  
Susan Merle Rakley  
Daniel Shapiro Rappaport  
Betti DeJarnette Reese  
Shimon Reif  
Henry Edwin Russell  
Sleiman Sami Salibi  
Kris John Sauer  
James Malcolm Schmidt  
Muhammad Shafique  
Matthew James Snyder  
Marilyn Tew Sprenkle  
Michael Hughes Stoker  
Monica Ann Stone  
Megan Kay Strother  
Sam Dean Toney  
Rhonda Michelle Walton-Cost  
Raymond Leonard Webster  
Peter Francis White  
Albert Sidney Whiting Jr.  
Timothy Marc Wilks  
Matthew Michael Williams  
Quynh Vu Wisniewski  
Timothy Gerrard Woodall  
Bo Wu  
Ning Zhong Wu  
Zhenhai Yao

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**LICENSES ISSUED BY ENDORSEMENT AND EXAM**

Elsie Denise Absher  
Oluyemisi Adebisi Adetunji  
Frank Alan Agatucci  
Phillip Bernard Aguila  
James Browden Allen III  
Diane Marie Angstadt  
Maria Lourdes Cespon Austria  
Marlene Ann Bednar  
Broderick Cande Bello  
Dale Joseph Block  
Thomas Kermit Bond  
Donna Lynn Burkett  
Kevin Lee Burns  
Eric Wayne Byrd  
Hui-li Chiou  
J.F. Donal Conway  
Gary Paul Cram Jr.  
James David Crowther  
Jasmin Cornette Daniels  
Dimitar Iliev Dentchev  
Derek Holt Dephouse  
Perry Joseph DePietro  
Richard Carl Dobson  
James Donald Doyle  
Daniel Lowell Drotts  
George Burch Fisher Jr  
Kirk Alan Freedman  
Anjali Lala Gupta  
Rohit Kumar Gupta  
Quaker Elizabeth Harmon  
Myleme Ojinga Harrison  
Robert Boyd Heglar  
Heather Marie Henderson  
Adrian Felipe Hernandez  
Kelly Redden Hobgood  
Sid Mohammad Hosseini  
Nathan Jon Hruska  
Susan Diane Izatt  
David Patrick Johnson  
John David Johnston  
Andrew Jerome Kosmowski  
Kathy Lynn Kowalchuk  
Gordon Bruce Kuttner  
Michael David Lauffenburger  
Laurie Penhall MacDonald  
Byron Harrison Mainor  
Vaishali Sukhani Mankad  
Tanya Denise Martin  
Talbot Green McCormick III  
David Lawrence McDonagh

Franklin Riley McGuire  
Daniel Hood Moore  
Charles Richard Nixon II  
Remon Obeid  
Michael Edward O'Keeffe  
Matthew David Olin  
John Charles Parker  
Jeffrey David Parks  
Joseph Wojciech Pawlik  
James Vincent Perciaccante  
Steven Charles Perlaky  
Gregory Daniel Perry  
Jennifer Hope Peterson  
Deborah Irene Pierce  
Charles Randolph Radmer  
Susan Merle Rakley  
Daniel Shapiro Rappaport  
Betti DeJarnette Reese  
Shimon Reif  
Kris John Sauer  
James Malcolm Schmidt  
Muhammad Shafique  
Matthew James Snyder  
Marilyn Tew Sprenkle  
Monica Ann Stone  
Megan Kay Strother  
Sam Dean Toney  
Rhonda Michelle Walton-Cost  
Albert Sidney Whiting Jr.  
Timothy Marc Wilks  
Quynh Vu Wisniewski  
Timothy Gerrard Woodall  
Bo Wu  
Ning Zhong Wu  
Zhenhai Yao

**Additional Malpractice Information  
Requested – not received – motion:**  
Marie Noelle Gravier-Farnsworth

Board Action (EK, WP) - Do not act on  
application until information received

**Reinstatements**  
Vito Basile  
Maurice Bernard Landers, Iii  
James Alfred Gaskins, Jr.  
Raymond Leonard Webster

**Reinstatement/Special Volunteer License  
February 21 & 22, 2001**

Sara Ann Lippard Hoyt

**Faculty Limited License**

Simon Millar

**Reactivations**

Henry Edwin Russell  
Michael Hughes Stoker  
Peter Francis White  
Matthew Michael Williams

**Interview Forms Not Received**

Jeffrey Paul Campbell  
Robert Genier Ferguson  
Lawrence Byerly Holt, Jr.  
Michael Elvin Kelly

**COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT**

John Dees, MD; Elizabeth Kanof, MD; Walter Pories, MD; Aloysius Walsh

The full Board reviewed and approved the complaint committee report noted below.

A motion passed to close the session to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16, and 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes.

The Complaint Committee reported on 39 complaint cases. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

**INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

Paul Saperstein; Stephen Herring, MD; Robin Hunter-Buskey, PA-C; John Foust, MD; Charles Garrett, MD

A motion passed to close the session to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16, and 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes.

The Investigative Committee reported on 57 investigative cases. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

**INFORMAL INTERVIEW REPORT**

A motion passed to close the session to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16 and 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes.

Sixteen informal interviews were conducted. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the Split Boards' recommendations and approved the written report as modified. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

## **MALPRACTICE COMMITTEE REPORT**

John Dees, MD; Elizabeth Kanof, MD; Walter Pories, MD; Aloysius Walsh

A motion passed to close the session to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16, and 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes.

The Malpractice Committee reported on 21 cases. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

This meeting was adjourned on February 22, 2001.

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John T. Dees, MD  
Secretary/Treasurer