

MINUTES

North Carolina Medical Board

January 13, 2001

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

Minutes of the Open Sessions of the North Carolina Medical Board Meeting January 13, 2001.

An emergency meeting of the North Carolina Medical Board was called by the Board President and held via telephone conference call on January 13, 2001. The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m., Saturday, January 13, 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; E.K. Fretwell, PhD; Hector H. Henry II, MD; Stephen M. Herring, MD; Robin N. Hunter-Buskey, PA-C; Mr. Paul Saperstein; and Mr. Aloysius P. Walsh. Absent was John W. Foust, MD. Several attempts were made by telephone, e-mail and fax to provide notice to all members.

Staff members present were: Mr. Andrew W. Watry, Executive Director; Ms. H. Diane Meelheim, Deputy Director; Mr. David Henderson, Board Attorney; Gary Townsend, MD, Medical Coordinator; Mr. John W. Jargstorf, Investigative Director; Mr. Don R. Pittman, Investigative Field Supervisor; and Mr. Jeffery T. Denton, Board Recorder.

INVESTIGATIVE 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.

The Investigative Department reported on one investigative case. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

Board Action: (JD, KC) Summarily suspend and charge unless Dr. Saphira voluntarily surrenders her medical license within five days.

ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned on January 13, 2001.

John T. Dees, MD
Secretary/Treasurer