

MINUTES

North Carolina Medical Board

November 16-18, 2005

**1203 Front Street
Raleigh, North Carolina**

Minutes of the Open Sessions of the North Carolina Medical Board Meeting November 16-18, 2005.

The November 16-18, 2005, meeting of the North Carolina Medical Board was held at the Board's Office, 1203 Front Street, Raleigh, NC 27609. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, November 16, 2005, by Robert C. Moffatt, MD, President. Board members in attendance were: H. Arthur McCulloch, MD, President Elect; Janelle A. Rhyne, MD, Secretary; Mr. Aloysius P. Walsh, Treasurer; Robin N. Hunter Buskey, PA-C; Michael E. Norins, MD; Sarvesh Sathiraju, MD; George L. Saunders, III, MD; Edwin R. Swann, MD; and Dicky S. Walia. Absent were: Charles L. Garrett, MD; and E. K. Fretwell, PhD.

Staff members present were: R. David Henderson, JD, Executive Director; Thomas W. Mansfield, JD, Legal Department Director; Marcus Jimison, JD, Board Attorney; Katherine Carpenter, JD, Board Attorney; Todd Brosius, JD, Board Attorney; Ms. Wanda Long, Legal Assistant; Ms. Lynne Edwards, Legal Assistant; Ms. Cindy Harrison, Legal Assistant; Mr. Curtis Ellis, Investigative Department Director; Don R. Pittman, Investigator/Compliance Coordinator; Mr. Edmund Kirby-Smith, Investigator; Mrs. Therese Dembroski, Investigator; Mr. Loy C. Ingold, Investigator, Mr. Bruce B. Jarvis, Investigator; Mr. Robert Ayala, Investigator; Mr. Richard Sims, Investigator; Mr. David Van Parker, Investigator; Ms. Jenny Olmstead, Senior Investigative Coordinator; Ms. Barbara Rodrigues, Investigative Coordinator; Mr. Dale Broaden, Director of Communications and Public Affairs; Ms. Dena Marshall, Public Affairs Assistant; Mrs. Joy D. Cooke, Licensing Director; Ms. Michelle Allen, Licensing Supervisor; Ms. Amy Ingram, Licensing Assistant; Carol Puryear, Licensing Assistant; Ms. Lori King, PE Coordinator; Jesse Roberts, MD, Medical Director; Ms. Judie Clark, Complaint Department Director; Mrs. Sharon Squibb-Denslow, Complaint Department Assistant; Ms. Sherry Hyder, Complaint Summary Coordinator; Ms. Patricia Paulson, Malpractice/Medical Examiner Coordinator; Mr. Hari Gupta, Operations Department Director; Ms. Rebecca L. Manning, Registration Coordinator; Mrs. Janice Fowler, Operations Assistant; Mr. Peter Celentano, Comptroller; Ms. Ravonda James, Receptionist; Mr. Donald Smelcer, Technology Department Director; Dawn LaSure, Human Resources Director; and Mr. Jeffery Denton, Executive Assistant/Verification Coordinator.

MISCELLANEOUS

Presidential Remarks

Dr. Moffatt commenced the meeting by reading from Governor Easley's Executive Order No. 1, the "ethics awareness and conflict of interest reminder." No conflicts were noted.

Michael E. Norins, MD - Nomination for Federation of State Medical Boards Editorial Committee

Motion: A motion passed that the Board unanimously endorses Dr. Norins' nomination for the Federation's Editorial Committee.

Combined Boards' Retreat

Mr. Henderson noted that the Combined Boards' Retreat will be held Thursday, November 17, 2005. This will be the first time the four boards have convened jointly: Medical, Nursing, Pharmacy and Dental Boards. He continued that since there are some subjects of interest to all of the boards this will promote the working relationship and the fellowship component.

Physician Accountability for Physician Competence Summit – A Presentation by Jesse Roberts, MD

Dr. Roberts gave a brief slide presentation on his participation in this event. A summary follows: On March 24th and 25th, 2005 a group of 45 participants representing 34 different organizations from throughout the US Healthcare Community met in Fort Worth, Texas. This group, covering a wide range of experience and practice - including academia, regulatory agencies, payors, the public sector, providers and professional organizations - came together to create scenarios of how the future may unfold - a future in which physicians and the issue of physician competence would be a part of.

The primary question driving the creation of these scenarios was: *how does the healthcare community determine, measure and assure the public concerning physician competence over the career of the physician?*

The process of creating scenarios to explore this challenging issue was inspired by the book, *Solving Tough Problems*, by Adam Kahane. The purpose of this day and a half summit and the development of these scenarios was intended to explore possible alternate futures to enable and invigorate the dialog around this and related questions. The time frame chosen for this process was the next 10 to 15 years (through 2020).

Throughout the day-and-a-half, participants worked in small teams through several phases that led to the creation of the final scenarios. After each small team round of work the participants assembled to share the ideas they worked on, receive feedback and reorganize for the next round

Dr. Roberts ended his presentation stating, "The reasonable person adapts to the world. The unreasonable ones persist in trying to adapt the world to themselves. Therefore, all progress depends on the unreasonable person."

MINUTE APPROVAL

Motion: A motion passed that the October 19-20 and the October 28, 2005, Board Minutes are approved as presented.

ATTORNEY'S 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, 90-21.22 and 143-318.11(a) of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes and to preserve attorney/client privilege.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Written reports on 172 cases were presented for the Board's review. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

EXECUTED CASES

PUBLIC ACTIONS

Ansari, Tawfiq Sahib

Denial of Licensure executed 10/5/2005

Barr-Hairston, Deborah Winifred, MD

Entry of Revocation executed 11/3/2005

Bertleson, Douglas Eugene, MD

Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order executed 10/24/2005

Brown, Allen, PA

Consent Order executed 10/14/2005

Casey, William Joseph, MD

Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order executed 11/4/2005

Caulfield, Walter Harry, MD

Consent Order executed 9/23/2005

Cheek, John Christopher, MD

Entry of Revocation executed 11/3/2005

Dyer, Eric Wayne

Consent Order executed 10/21/2005

Emerson, Eric Tomson, MD

Consent Order executed 9/23/2005

Fenn, Tracy Ann, PA

Consent Order executed 10/11/2005

Freeman, Tyler Ira, MD

Consent Order executed 10/19/2005

Greenberg, Richard Paul, MD

Consent Order executed 10/19/2005

Jones, Frieden Bertie, MD

Consent Order executed 10/19/2005

King, David James, MD

Consent Order executed 10/19/2005

Larson, Michael Joseph, MD

Consent Order executed 10/19/2005

Matthews, Richard Eugene, MD
Entry of Revocation executed 11/9/2005

McCall, Michael Alvin, MD
Consent Order executed 10/19/2005

Moran, Harriet Jane, MD
Re-entry Agreement and Order executed 10/27/2005

Parr, Monique Sylvia, MD
Non-Disciplinary Consent Order executed 11/3/2005

Phillips, Thomas Caldwell, MD
Consent Order executed 9/23/2005

Presnell, Tammy Murrelle, PA
Notice of Charges and Allegations; Notice of Hearing executed 10/11/2005

Robinson, Richard Walter, MD
Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order executed 11/3/2005

Roulhac, Maurice Raynard, MD
Notice of Charges and Allegations; Notice of Hearing executed 9/27/2005

Rutledge, Robert, MD
Consent Order executed 10/19/2005

Sellers, Marc T., PA
Consent Order executed 10/19/2005

Silver, Danny, MD
Consent Order executed 10/4/2005

Solan, Gwen Emily, MD
Denial of Licensure executed 10/13/2005

Stroud, Joan Marie, PA
Notice of Charges and Allegations; Notice of Hearing executed 11/14/2005

Sztulman, Luciano, MD
Consent Order executed 10/19/2005

Timmons, Benson Ellison Lane, MD
Consent Order executed 9/23/2005

Walls, Ronald George
Denial of Licensure executed 11/14/2005

Walter, Steven Wayne
Denial of Licensure executed 11/15/2005

Ward, Amy Elizabeth, MD
Consent Order executed 10/19/2005

Wessel, Richard Frederick, MD
Consent Order executed 10/19/2005

Wilmit, Samuel Theodore, MD
Non-Disciplinary Consent Order 11/14/2005

Yao, Zhenhai, MD
Consent Order executed 10/19/2005

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Charles Garrett, MD; Robert Moffatt, MD; Arthur McCulloch, MD; Janelle Rhyne, MD; Aloysius Walsh

The Executive Committee of the North Carolina Medical Board was called to order at 10:40 am, Wednesday November 16, 2005 at the offices of the Board. Members present were: Robert C. Moffatt, MD, President; Harlan A. McCulloch, MD; Janelle A. Rhyne, MD; and Aloysius P. Walsh. Also present were George L. Saunders, MD; R. David Henderson (Executive Director), Hari Gupta (Director of Operations), and Peter T. Celentano, CPA (Comptroller).

Financials

Mr. Celentano, CPA, presented to the committee the September 2005 compiled financial statements. September is the end of the eleventh month of fiscal year 2005.

The Board's deficit for the month of September was \$82,300, and is now \$240,300 for the first eleven months of fiscal year 2005. Mr. Celentano stated to the committee the deficit increased in September due to a delay in sending out the November 2005 registration renewal notices. As a result, the deficit should reverse in October and the Board should come close to breaking even for fiscal year 2005.

Mr. Celentano commented to the Committee that total income for fiscal year 2005 was under budget by 2% and total administrative expenses were 4% under budget at this time.

The certificate of deposit was renewed on August 12, 2005, for a six month term at 3.65%.

The September 2005 Investment Summary was reviewed and accepted as presented.

Dr. McCulloch made a motion to accept the financial statements as reported. Mr. Walsh seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

New Business

Certificate of Deposit: Mr. Celentano reviewed with the Committee the various investment options available to the Board as we start to accumulate a surplus in fiscal year 2006. The Committee decided to table the discussion until the January 2006

meeting. The staff will put together a proposal for the Executive Committee to consider. This proposal will include a review of the Boards' "Investment Plan for Cash Management".

Personnel Proposal: Mr. Henderson reviewed with the Committee a proposal to allow the Human Resource Director to work full time through May 2006 in order to complete a compensation structure for all positions within the Board. Advantages of such a system are an increase in employee retention and the management of salaries of long-term employees. The increase salary cost would be offset by the savings realized as a result of the inevitable delay in hiring the 2.5 new full positions. Dr. Rhyne made a motion to accept the proposal as presented. Dr. McCulloch seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

Building Renovations: Mr. Henderson reviewed with the Committee future renovations to the building. The first would be to add an office upstairs in the southwest corner of the building for our new Assistant Medical Director, Dr. Michael Sheppa. This office would be located directly behind the elevator. The other renovation would be to split the counsel table in the Board Room into three separate parts. The costs of these two renovations were included in the 2006 budget and will be completed by the January 2006 Board Meeting.

Hotel Rooms: Mr. Celentano explained to the Committee that it is time to consider a new contract with the North Raleigh Hilton. Our contract will terminate at the end of this Board meeting and the new contract as written is for all rooms to be on the Club Level. The Executive Committee decided to table the discussion until the December 2005 meeting. The staff will put together a proposal which will contain several different options for 2006. These options will include pricing for staying with the North Raleigh Hilton or selecting a different hotel.

Update: Mr. Walia volunteered to liaison with the North Raleigh Hilton and report back to the Board.

Excellence in Medicine Awards: The AMA Excellence in Medicine Awards recognizes service and leadership in the medical profession. Dr. Rhyne made a motion that the full Board nominates Dr. Charles L. Garrett to receive this award. Dr. McCulloch seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

EMS Disciplinary Committee: The Emergency Medical Services Disciplinary Committee will have a vacancy at the end of 2005. The position is currently held by Dr. Elizabeth P. Kanof. General Statute 143-519 states "One member shall be a current physician member of the North Carolina Medical Board". Dr. McCulloch made a motion to recommend to the full Board to nominate Dr. Edwin R. Swann to serve the four-year term on this Committee. Dr. Rhyne seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

Update: Dr. Swann declined the nomination.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05pm.

Motion: A motion passed to approve the Executive Committee Report.

POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT

Arthur McCulloch, MD, Chair; Aloysius Walsh; George Saunders, MD; Janelle Rhyne; MD; E. K. Fretwell

The Policy Committee of the North Carolina Medical Board was called to order at 3:15 p.m., Wednesday, November 16, 2005, at the office of the Board. Present were: Arthur McCulloch,

MD, Chair; Aloysius P. Walsh; George L. Saunders, MD; and Janelle A. Rhyne, MD. Absent was E. K. Fretwell, PhD. Also attending were: Thomas Mansfield, JD, Director, Legal Department, NCMB (PC Staff); Todd Brosius, Board Attorney, NCMB; Dale G. Breaden, Public Affairs Director, NCMB; and Mr. Jeffery T. Denton, Board Recorder (PC Staff).

September 2005 Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

The minutes from the September 21, 2005 Policy Committee Meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Prescribing Legend or Controlled Substances for Other Than Valid Medical or Therapeutic Purposes, With Particular Reference to Substances or Preparations With Anabolic Properties – Review Of Position Statement (McCulloch)

Dr. McCulloch stated that he and several associate endocrinologists had reviewed this position statement. No changes are recommended.

Recommendation to Full Board: A motion passed that no changes be made to the following position statement and that it is presented to the Full Board for concurrence and continuance of the established review process (Forum/web site posting, comments, review, approval). Note: Final review/approval will take place no earlier than 30-days after the *Forum* is distributed.

PRESCRIBING LEGEND OR CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES FOR OTHER THAN VALIDATED MEDICAL OR THERAPEUTIC PURPOSES, WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO SUBSTANCES OR PREPARATIONS WITH ANABOLIC PROPERTIES

General

It is the position of the North Carolina Medical Board that prescribing any controlled or legend substance for other than a validated medical or therapeutic purpose is unprofessional conduct.

The physician shall complete and maintain a medical record that establishes the diagnosis, the basis for that diagnosis, the purpose and expected response to therapeutic medications, and the plan for the use of medications in treatment of the diagnosis.

The Board is not opposed to the use of innovative, creative therapeutics; however, treatments not having a scientifically validated basis for use should be studied under investigational protocols so as to assist in the establishment of evidence-based, scientific validity for such treatments.

Substances/Preparations with Anabolic Properties

The use of anabolic steroids, testosterone and its analogs, human growth hormone, human chorionic gonadotrophin, other preparations with anabolic properties, or autotransfusion in any form, to enhance athletic performance or muscle development for cosmetic, nontherapeutic reasons, in the absence of an established disease or deficiency state, is not a medically valid use of these medications.

The use of these medications under these conditions will subject the person licensed by the Board to investigation and potential sanctions.

The Board recognizes that most anabolic steroid abuse occurs outside the medical system. It wishes to emphasize the physician's role as educator in providing information to individual patients and the community, and specifically to high school and college athletes, as to the dangers inherent in the use of these medications.

(Adopted 5/98)
(Amended 7/98)
(Reviewed 11/05)

Sale of Goods from Physician Offices – Review Of Position Statement (Walsh, Saunders)

Mr. Walsh stated that more was changed than he originally thought would be, however, some language in the position statement needed to be clarified better.

Recommendation to Full Board: A motion passed that the following position statement be adopted as amended and it is presented to the Full Board for concurrence and continuance of the established review process.

SALE OF GOODS FROM PHYSICIAN OFFICES

~~The Physician-Licensee patient relationship constitutes a fiduciary relationship with the patient. In this capacity, there is a duty to place the financial or other interest of the patients above their own.~~

Inherent in the in-office sale of products is a perceived conflict of interest. On this issue, it is the position of the North Carolina Medical Board that the following instructions should guide the conduct of physicians or licensees.

Sale of practice-related items such as ointments, creams and lotions by Dermatologists, splints and appliances by Orthopedists, spectacles by Ophthalmologists, etc., may be acceptable only after the patient has been told those or similar items can be obtained locally from other sources. Any charge made should be reasonable.

Due to the potential for patient exploitation, the Medical Board opposes licensees participating in exclusive distributorships and/or personal branding, or persuading patients to become dealers or distributors of profit making goods or services.

Licensees should not sell any non health-related goods from their offices or other treatment settings. (This does not preclude selling of such low cost items on an occasional basis for the benefit of charitable or community organizations, provided the licensee receives no share of the proceeds, and patients are not pressured to purchase.)

All decisions regarding sales of items by the physician or his/her staff from the physician's office or other place where health care services are provided, must always be guided by what is in the patient's best interest.

(Adopted March 2001)
(Amended November 2005)

Availability of Physicians to Their Patients – Review of Position Statement (Rhyne, Saunders, Fretwell)

A draft amended position statement was reviewed and discussed. Dr. McCulloch stated that this position statement and the Care of Surgical Patients position statements were somewhat related and should be reviewed concurrently.

Action: (1) Review of the position statement is continued till the January 2006 Policy Committee meeting, and (2) this subcommittee will also review the Care of Surgical patients position statement and report that review at the January 2006 Committee meeting.

Fee Splitting – Review of Position Statement (Mansfield)

Mr. Mansfield presented an amended position statement to the committee for review. A lengthy discussion ensued.

Action: Mr. Mansfield will work with the committee and present at the January 2006 Committee meeting.

Competence and Re-Entry to the Active Practice of Medicine – Review of Possible Position Statement (McCulloch, Walsh)

This proposed position statement was referred from the Re-Entry SubCommittee.

Action: Dr. McCulloch and Mr. Walsh will review this position statement and present their recommendation(s) at the January 2006 Committee meeting.

Dr. McCulloch stated that due to the receipt of a new position statement for review and additional review time needed for current position statements under review, the review schedule will be adjusted accordingly.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m. The next meeting of the Policy Committee is tentatively set for 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 18, 2005.

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

ALLIED HEALTH COMMITTEE REPORT

Robin Hunter Buskey, PA-C; George Saunders, MD; Sarvesh Sathiraju, MD

The Allied Health Committee of the North Carolina Medical Board met on Wednesday, November 16, 2005 at the office of the Board. Present: Robin Hunter-Buskey, Chairperson, George L. Saunders, MD, Sarvesh Sathiraju, MD, Marcus Jimison, Legal, Lori King, CPCS, Licensing.

Allied Health Committee

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 thirteen license 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 because these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session

Initial NP Applicants Pending Board Approval

Avila, Aundrea	Howie, Eugenia	Fairmont
Baxter, Cheryl	White, Thomas	Cherryville
Bogart, Megan	Joyner, William	Wilmington
Bohlen, Karen	Kanelos, Dino	Weddington
Brooks, Robert	Cummings, DeLora	Cary
Broom, Kristen	Cummings, DeLora	Cary
Busse, Sharda	Plitman, Jonathan	High Point
Bycroft, Jane	Lohavichan, Verachai	Charlotte
Cancilla, Amanda	Cowan, Michael	Rock Hill
Carlton, Betty	Jenkins, Henry	Asheville
Carver, Marlene	Johnson, Patricia	Robbinsville
Collins, Sue	Brown, Cynthia	Asheville
Cox, Lisa	Taylor, Harvey	Charlotte
Fleenor, Kristi	Poston, Mary	High Point
Goode, Pandora	Avbuere, Edwin	Greensboro
Hall, Deborah	Kirtley, Thomas	Salisbury
Hill, Doris	Benson, James	Mooreville
Mackinnon, Sharon	Prakash, Hemant	Concord
Martin, Teresa	Osemeka, Austin	Gastonia
Mullet, Stacy	Le, Cuong	Charlotte
Nadeau, Randine	Wells, Robert	Asheville
Parham, Teresa	Feinglos, Mark	Durham
Rustin, Corey	Nicks, Bret	Winston-Salem
Sherrill, Malinda	Stout, Elmer	Statesville
Simpson, Jennifer	Pfeiffer, Frederick	Charlotte
Sisk, Yvette	Chrysson, Nick	Mt. Airy
Thompson-Zielke, Hazel	Gammon, Gary	Gastonia
Tripp, Molly	Beal, Evelyn	Fayetteville
Troutman, Susan	Hearon, Brian	Hickory
Vaughn, Tracy	Fisher, David	Charlotte
Waldrop, My Linh	Howard, Chad	Monroe
Wnuk, Susan	Spencer, Donald	Chapel Hill
Wood, Elizabeth	Wilson, Robert	Salisbury

Initial PA Applicants Pending Board Approval

Carpenter, Terri W.
Holland, Sarah
Mayer, David
Martinez, Michelle J.
Mizell, Rachel
Parsons, Erin
Patterson, Mary
Poplin, Melodie
Rumfelt, Walter
Simoni, Jennifer B.
Soler-Cancio, Alicia
Wiese, Carolyn M.

Williams, Tanya

PA Reactivation Applicants

PROCHASKA (nee Hairabet), Kristen M., PA-C
PALM, L. Cherie, PA

PA Consent Order Applicants

DYER, Eric W., PA-C

Subsequent NP Applicants Pending Board Approval

Angrisani, Patricia	Ingram, Denise	Fletcher
Bach, Laura	Etienne, Stefanie	Raleigh
Bailey, Rhonda	Cummings, DeLora	Durham
Bates, Richard	Dundee, David	Winston-Salem
Blanchard, Mary	White, Michael	Raleigh
Bowden, Caryn	Morgan, Herman	Wilmington
Boykin, Kathleen	Fox, Kimberly	Smithfield
Brown, Susan	Cummings, DeLora	Raleigh
Byrnes, Nancy	Fowler, William	Marion
Cain, Vanessa	Cromer, John	Wilmington
Cardenas, Jacqueline	Cummings, DeLora	Knightdale
Collins, Melissa	Robinson, Edwin	Camp Lejeune
Covington, Gail	Cummings, DeLora	Durham
Cryer, Victoria	Cummings, DeLora	Durham
Curran, Mary	Cummings, DeLora	Cary
Curran, Mary	Luoma, David	Huntersville
Denman, Susan	Broyles, William	Durham
Denno, Jane	Jarrett, David	Largo
Donta, Robin	Cummings, DeLora	Raleigh
Erhardt, Robyn	Briggs, Jackie	Jacksonville
Gais, Judith	Keipper, Vincent	Concord
Gilbert, Katie	Anagnost, John	Wilmington
Gosnell, Georgann	Williams, Wheaton	Hickory
Greene, Natasha	Cummings, DeLora	Raleigh
Guthrie, Linda	Weiner, Richard	Durham
Hall, Shepeara	Gualtieri, Camillo	Chapel Hill
Harman, Sandra	Suda, Russell	Kannapolis
Haven, Sherri	Hoffman, Leroy	Smithfield
House, Laura	Cummings, DeLora	Knightdale
Hubbell, Sara	Cummings, DeLora	Cary
Huntsinger, Lisa	Boyette, Douglas	Shelby
Jacobs, Tina	Roberson, Jennifer	Maxton
Jones, Karen	Cummings, DeLora	Durham
Kennedy, Joan	Bull, Janet	Hendersonville
King, Lisa	Cummings, DeLora	Durham
Leadbitter, Karen	Cummings, DeLora	Raleigh
Leciejewski, Russell	Carter, Kenneth	Charlotte

Ledford, Eloise	Cade, Jerry	Bakersville
Lewis, Margaret	Winfield, John	Lenoir
Loflin, Dora	Fortney, Sidney	Southport
Martines, Rosemary	Luoma, David	Charlotte
Mattice, Mark	Simmons, Tony	Winston-Salem
Montgomery, Kimberly	Adcock, Jimmie	Charlotte
Montgomery, Kimberly	Hanrahan, Philip	Charlotte
Nooe, Mary	Farrington, Cecil	Greensboro
Peele, Louise	Saint Louis, Immacula	Wilson
Peniston, Kathleen	Yeomans, Jay	Charlotte
Pohnert, Anne	Cummings, DeLora	Durham
Riley, Karen	Yerramsetty, Pavan	Raleigh
Roach, Elizabeth	Nordberg, Kris	Salisbury
Ruhl, Kathleen	Shuping, Martha	Winston-Salem
Shamek, Helen	Osbah, Albert	Waynesville
Small, Adrienne	Cummings, DeLora	Durham
Smith, Pamela	Cummings, DeLora	Raleigh
Taylor-Miller, Bertha	Duffy, John	Kenansville
Tickerhoff, Stephanie	Farrington, Cecil	Greensboro
Wallace, Marlene	Cummings, DeLora	Raleigh
Williams, Mary	Kunesh, Benjamin	Concord
Williams, Shauna	Cummings, DeLora	Cary
Wilson, Angela	Fink, Gary	Salisbury
Wilson, Lilly	Suda, Russell	Kannapolis
Womack, Lavonia	George, Garth	Shelby

PA Intent to Practice Pending Board Approval

Adams, Melanie	Vaughn, Bradley	Chapel Hill
Amos, Clifford	Polley, Dennis	Wilson
August, Kate	Blazing, Michael	Durham
Bair, Bruce	Kerner, Michael	Durham
Baker, Bridget	Stitt, Van	Gastonia
Beatty, Shannon	Jahrsdorfer, Charles	Greenville
Bennett, David	Iannuzzi, Nicholas	Winston-Salem
Boettger, Linda	Rose, John	Greenville
Bong, Suzanne	Okwara, Benedict	Monroe
Booth, Karen	Steffens, Rebecca	Raleigh
Bowen-Brown, Taisha	Pearson, Marilyn	Smithfield
Bracken, Christy	Sweasey, Thomas	High Point
Bryant, Thomas	Meltzer, Morton	Greenville
Buck, Aimee	Jemsek, Joseph	Huntersville
Burkett, Kathleen	Minore, Joseph	Charlotte
Chance, Jeffery	Pons, Lara	Albemarle
Chavis, Robert	Pridgen, James	Whiteville
Cheshire, Sprague	Vredenburgh, James	Durham
Coggins, Jason	Barsanti, Christopher	Greenville
Coggins, Jason	Duke, Josiah	Greenville
Costello, Richard	Cheek, Herman	High Point
Cowan, Daniel	Wood, Kenneth	Statesville

Crenshaw, Sharon	Kolluru, Mangaraju	Goldsboro
Davis, Demetria	Permashwar, Balichand	Pembroke
DeLellis, Stephen	Hoilien, Michael	Ft. Bragg
Denniston, Cassandra	Zuber, Thomas	Boone
Dixon, Thomas	Allen, Anthony	Greensboro
Dyer, Eric	Azzato, John	Southport
Ferron, Christopher	White, Michael	Rocky Mount
Fischell, Alexandra	Jones, Karen	Fayetteville
Freeman, Thomas	Erdin, Robert	High Point
Garrett, Jonathan	Kuhlman, Jeffrey	Statesville
Goddard, Alan	Rodriguez, Luis	Ahoskie
Graham, Laura	Kelly, Samuel	High Point
Gribble, Anita	Hart, Robert	Vale
Hall, Leah	Hastings, John	Charlotte
Hall, Meghan	Thomas, Millard	Asheboro
Harden, Frances	Medoff, Jeffrey	Greensboro
Hardin, Jessica	Colligan, Joseph	Jacksonville
Harkness, Gale	Newsome, Samuel	King
Haugen, Jennifer	Curran, Diana	Hendersonville
Hawks, Lindsey	Karam, Philip	Liberty
Hepler, James	Godfrey, Wanda	Garner
Hepler, James	Guha, Subrata	Clayton
Jacobs, Natasha	Roberts, Joseph	Whiteville
Jensen, Erin	Guest, Chris	Greensboro
Johnson, Casey	Hunt, Dori	Hickory
Kellerman, Mary	Adams, David	Cary
King, Jody	Green, Philip	New Bern
Kirch, Eric	Ferrell, William	Raleigh
Labore, Francis	Yuan, Shang-Hsien	Morganton
Laizure, Clancy	Wyatt, James	Greensboro
Locklear, Leverne	Smith, Michael	Tar Heel
Mack, Side	Knapp, Jon	Greensboro
Martin-Avila, Deborah	Prasad, Venkat	Newton Grove
McGinnis, James	Watson, Linwood	Laurinburg
McNeely, Mary	Go, Brian	Raleigh
Melcher, Betsy	Drabick, Andrew	Raleigh
Metzger, Donald	Phillips, Bruce	Elizabethtown
Meyring, Daniel	Wehbie, Charles	Raleigh
Miles, Christopher	Peak, Edwin	Hickory
Moore, Lisa	Ameen, William	Jamestown
Moreno, Paula	Dawson, John	Kings Mountain
Moss, Elisha	Buechler, Charles	Asheville
Odom, Kathryn	Godbout, Christopher	Cary
Omonde, Peter	Dixon, Twanna	Washington
O'Neill, Sarah	McCutcheon, Edward	Charlotte
Osalvo, Nicomedes	Chow, Arthur	Raleigh
Owens, James	Murphy, Daniel	Greensboro
Parkhurst, Julia	Girouard, Michael	Huntersville
Parks, Joan	Stewart, Jimmie	Cherokee
Paxson, Holly	Kanelos, Dino	Charlotte

Payne, Andrea	Potts, Kevin	Wilmington
Peters, Tosheen	Hudson, Albert	Charlotte
Petry, Susan	Bonin, Andrew	Raleigh
Poole, Michael	Harper, Wayne	Raleigh
Prochaska, Kristin	Hoffman, Stanley	Huntersville
Rabidou, Shellie	Permashwar, Balichand	Pembroke
Ransdell, Edward	Whitaker, Gary	Hendersonville
Ray, Lisa	Harrison, John	Durham
Rayburn, Shawn	Wyatt, James	Greensboro
Read, Joanna	Ugah, Nwannadiya	Rowland
Revels, Christina	Robinson, Karen	Lumberton
Romblad, Katrina	Pannell, Christa	Winston-Salem
Shearn, Tiffany	Chachkes, Jacob	Rocky Mount
Sheets, Kathryn	Powell, Charles	Greenville
Shirlen, Andrew	Kiser, Andy	Pinehurst
Siko, Christine	D'Amico, Thomas	Durham
Sipple, David	Barker, James	Hickory
Smith, Holly	Reames, Mark	Charlotte
Stackhouse, Michael	Reyes, Rodolfo	Dunn
Stamper, Elmer	Dawkins, Rosamuel	Polkton
Tallmer, Enid	Ordonez, Esperanza	Raleigh
Thiedeman, Stacy	Hart, Timothy	Raleigh
Thiedeman, Stacy	Silver, Marc	Raleigh
Vo, Ha	Clanton, Pamela	Chapel Hill
Ward, Kristin	Lester, Stephen	Washington
Wenner, Dalena	Evanoff, Allison	Gastonia
Westbrook, James	Zammit, Joseph	Greensboro
Wheeler, Hugh	Howard, Chad	Monroe
Wheeler, Julia	Howard, Chad	Monroe
White, Elizabeth	Bock, Richard	Asheville
Wiles, Marie	Morse, Michael	Durham
Williams, Clifton	Dixon, Twanna	Washington
Wood, Roger	Adams, Douglas	Eden
Young, Michelle	Ameen, William	Jamestown
Zuger, Laura	Waldman, Gary	Charlotte

Physician Advisory Council (PAAC) – November 16, 2005

The Physician Advisory Council (PAAC) met on Wednesday, November 16, 2005 at the office of the Board. Present: Robin Hunter-Buskey, Chairperson, George L. Saunders, MD, Sarvesh Sathiraju, MD, Marcus Jimison, Legal, Lori King, CPCS, Licensing, Melanie Phelps, James Hill, Patricia Dieter, Audrey Tuttle, Douglas Hammer, MD.

Ms. Hunter-Buskey discussed the following: PA application processing time, PA Emergency Agencies, FCVS repository, FSMB Board and functions.

Motion: A motion passed to approve the Committee report and the vote list as modified.

LICENSING COMMITTEE REPORT

Michael Norins, MD, Chair; Robin Hunter-Buskey, PAC; Edwin Swann, MD; Sarvesh Sathiraju, MD

FSMB's Common License Application (CLA-F)

Catchline: The FSMB has been working on a common license application form for State Medical Boards to use in their application process. A copy of the form is included with this agenda for your review and discussion per Dr. Sathiraju's request. The CLA-F is designed to serve as the core of a state's license application, not replace it. Having a common form reduces the number of incomplete applications; allows for the collection of uniform information; increases license portability; and adds convenience for the physicians applying for licensure in multiple states.

Committee Recommendation: Continue to review and consider applicability of adding to NCMB's licensing process.

BOARD ACTION: Continue to review and consider applicability of adding to NCMB's licensing process.

Resolution to FSMB re: Credential Verification FMGs

Catchline: Dr. Norins has drafted a resolution regarding credential verification of FMGs for the Committee's approval to present at the FSMB Annual Meeting.

Committee Recommendation: The Committee recommends the Board submit this resolution for consideration at the 2006 FSMB Annual Meeting.

BOARD ACTION: The Committee recommends the Board submit the following resolution for consideration at the 2006 FSMB Annual Meeting.

Credential Verification for Foreign Medical Graduates

(November 18, 2005)

Whereas: Medical Licensing Boards are asked to license an increasing number of Foreign Medical Graduates;

Whereas: Due to catastrophic natural events or political Chaos verification of medical education from foreign medical schools can be difficult to obtain in a timely fashion;

Whereas: the Federation of State Medical Boards has a proven record of excellence in credential verification known as the Federation Credential Verification Service;

Whereas: the Federation of State Medical Boards is a founding and active member of the International Association of Medical Regulatory Agencies (IAMRA);

Therefore: the Federation of State Medical Boards will actively seek to establish an international credential verification service under the auspices of IAMRA that will aid and assist constituent

United State Medical Boards.

Registration Notification for Holders of Resident Training Licenses

BOARD ACTION: Staff was instructed to discuss the possibility of notifying the physician/resident by certified mail at their home address instead of through the house staff office before a license is made inactive with a copy of the correspondence sent to the house staff office and present a recommendation to the License Committee at the January 2006 meeting. Consider editing the RT license and the information insert to say "You must register this license by mm/dd/yy" instead of "Registration of this license is required in mm/dd/yy".

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 five license 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 because these actions are not public information.

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.

Twenty-two 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 because these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

APPLICANTS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD

Rania Abdel-Rahman
Kwami Delali Agbodza
Charles Chilke Anikwue
Jonathan Andrew Arbogast
John Yeganeh Aryan
Timothy Daniel Barron
Denise Holloman Bilhorn
Victor Montgomery Brown
Ted Dylan Burrow
Angela Lynell Byrd-Gloster
Wenhui Cai
Thomas John Calogero III
Vincent Philip Casingal
Lon Alfred Castle

Denesh Kumar Chitkara
Kimberly Denise Clay
Joseph Cohen
Alfred Ronald Cowley
William Ian Cross
David Albert Dasher
Jaideep Debsikdar
Matthew Ronald DeJohn
Jennifer Jean Delaney
Chakradhar Desaraju
Leena Shrivastava Dev
David Kenneth Doty
Charles Fredrick Eisenbeis
Mark I Ellen

Mohamed Hassan Elnabtity
Tahir Farooq
Edwin Gayle Farrell
Clarence Lee Faulcon
Larry Clark Field Jr.
David Zelig Frankel
Johnathan Edwin Gaskins
Thomas Gaston
Scott Casimer Gogulski
Nihan Gurcanlar
Stephen Carl Hardy
Beverly Lou Harris
Carol Ann-Marie Henry-Smith
Peter David Holt
Michelle Marie Homeister
Fareeda Aisha Hosein
Anthony George Hucks-Folliss
Dennis Lee Hufford
David Henry Hurray
Lorin Elaine Johnson
Sangeeta Prabhakar Joshi
Daniel Burke Judd
Zehra Jung
Andrew Brett Kanik
Mark A. Koenen
Douglas Adam Koppel
Lawrence Francis Kulish
Timothy Kuo
Lester Hong Lee
Allison Levi
Fangru Lian
Rose Wanping Liu
Jennifer Pickens Locklear
James Andrew Luna
Robert David Mathis
Roisin Mary McKeithan
Olga Milo Cotter
Hayan Moualla
Christopher John Murphy
Kelly Carter Nelson

Jason Patrick Norcross
Andri Gaukur Olafsson
Stephen Andrew Oljeski
Kendall Reid Olvey
Lisa Ann Osberg
Kenan Miles Penaskovic
Barry Joseph Politi
Stella March Powell
Walter Quan Jr.
Clay Cole Quint
Luna Chen Ragsdale
Gopal Bhimavarapu Reddy
Randall George Richards
Bruce William Rogers
Pinchas Rosenberg
Shaida Khajenasir Ryan
Frauke Christiane Schaefer
John Michael Schechter
Elizabeth Fraser Schultz
Joseph William Sechler
Roxanne Denise Semple
Kulbir Sidhu
Eric Scott Sills
Frankie-Lynn Silver
Vynedra Amille Smith
Charles Kelly Smoak
Karen Arabella Supan-McPherson
Matthew John Swiber
James Constant Tankersley
Joseph Gaston Taylor III
Jean Junior Telusma
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Shriprakash N. Trivedi
Samuel Jayaraj Tuluri
James Alan Tumlin
Jason Joseph Van Eyk
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Laura Hargraves Wile
Michael David Yanuck

LICENSES APPROVED BY ENDORSEMENT AND EXAM

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Alfred Ronald Cowley
Lawrence Francis Kulish
James Constant Tankersley

REACTIVATION

Walter Quan Jr.
Joseph William Sechler
Kwami Delali Agbodza

FACULTY LIMITED LICENSE

Olga Milo Cotter

RE-ENTRY SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

EK Fretwell, PhD, Chair; Robert Moffatt, MD; Michael Norins, MD

The Re-entry SubCommittee of the North Carolina Medical Board was called to order at 12:15 p.m., Thursday, September 22, 2005, at the office of the Board. Members present were:

Robert Moffatt, MD; and Michael Norins, MD. Also attending were: Thomas Mansfield, JD, Director, Legal Department (Staff); Joy Cooke, Licensing Director (Staff); Jesse Roberts, MD, Medical Director (Staff); Charles Sheppa, MD, Assistant Medical Director (Staff); and Mr. Jeffery T. Denton, Board Recorder (Staff). Absent were: EK Fretwell, PhD, Chair; and Walter Pories, MD, Past President/Consultant.

The Re-entry SubCommittee of the North Carolina Medical Board was called to order at 12:10 p.m., Thursday, November 16, 2005, at the office of the Board. Members present were: Robert Moffatt, MD and Michael Norins, MD. Also attending were: Thomas Mansfield, JD, Director, Legal Department (Staff); Joy Cooke, Licensing Director (Staff); Jesse Roberts, MD, Medical Director (Staff); Don Pittman, Compliance Coordinator/Investigator; and Jeffery T. Denton, Board Recorder (Staff). Absent were: EK Fretwell, PhD, Chair; and Walter Pories, MD, Past President/Consultant.

Minutes

The September 2005 committee minutes were reviewed and accepted.

Compliance and Reporting Process (Norins)

Dr. Norins thanked Mr. Pittman for attending this meeting. Mr. Pittman reported that he coordinates compliance cases (e.g. reentry consent orders). When a consent order is executed with compliance issues, once it is received in his department it is assigned to an investigator who contacts the practitioner and discusses conditions of the agreement. Currently, once there is something to report to the Board it is done via the Investigative Committee. Mr. Pittman pointed out that consent orders (reentry agreements) could be refined to indicate return to the Board for an informal interview so many months “after you begin practice” rather than so many months after the consent order is signed. It may take a number of months to set up clinical observation, monitoring, mentoring, etc.

Dr. Norins believes these reentry compliance cases should be brought back to the Board via the Licensing Committee vs the Investigative Committee since these are licensing issues (non-disciplinary) and not investigative/disciplinary issues. The end result often will be to issue these licensees full and unrestricted licenses, once the Board is satisfied with their reentry progress. Dr. Moffatt stated that the Board needs legislation for a specific ReEntry License. Dr. Norins agreed with statutory authority and pointed out that consent orders will have to suffice in the meantime.

A discussion ensued regarding quality assurance and the reentry process. When making a recommendation to the Board, Board Members must be specific and consistent with particulars of the personalized reentry agreement/consent order. The legal department then must be consistent in how the consent order is executed. Dr. Norins would like to see a member of the Licensing Committee review and approve the entry agreement/consent order. In addition, he would like to see a member of the licensing committee review the documentation provided by mentors required as part of the re-entry agreement/consent order.

All agreed that reentry is a work-in-progress, but that headway is being made and experience is being gained.

Motion: A motion passed that the following process be followed for reentry candidates: (1) Licensing Committee will identify candidates, (2) Candidates will be briefed on expectations and invited to a licensing interview, (3) Once a license (via consent order) has

been issued the Licensing Department will track compliance status (name, plan, etc), (4) With the Investigative Director's concurrence, the Compliance Coordinator will report compliance status to the Licensing Department for reporting to the Licensing Committee for a license recommendation, and (5) Board Members will be educated regarding specific terms of reentry, and licensing staff and legal staff will be educated in order to assist Board Members.

Draft Position Statement (Roberts/Norins)

The following revised draft position statement was reviewed and discussed. Once approved by the Board the goal is to develop some type of information package to go with the position statement. This way, when coming to the Board the candidate will know what will be expected of them and be prepared to present a plan to the Board. Dr. Norins stated that as we develop better tools we will be able to offer better suggestions. In addition, he emphasized that it is not the Board's responsibility to come up with or implement a plan. The onus is on the applicant.

Motion: A motion passed that the following position statement be referred to the Policy Committee for consideration by the Full Board.

**COMPETENCE AND RE-ENTRY TO THE
ACTIVE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE**

The ability to practice medicine results from a complex interaction of knowledge, physical skills, judgement and character tempered by experience leading to competence. Maintenance of competence requires a commitment to life-long learning and the persistent practice of medicine, in whatever field one has chosen. Absence from the regular practice of medicine leads to attenuation of competency.

It is the position of the North Carolina Medical Board, in accord with GS 90-6(a), that practitioners seeking licensure, or reactivation of a North Carolina Medical License, who have had an interruption, for whatever reason, in the continuous practice of medicine greater than two (2) years must re-establish, to the Board's satisfaction, their competency to practice medicine safely.

Any such applicant must meet all the requirements for and completion of a regular license application. In addition full scale assessments, engagement in formal training programs, supervised practice arrangements; formal testing or other proofs of competency may be required.

It shall be the responsibility **of the applicant** to develop a re-entry program subject to the approval of the Board.

The Board will cooperate with appropriate entities in the development of programs and resources that can be utilized to fulfill the above requirements including the issuance, when necessary and appropriate, of time limited restricted license, e.g. Residency Training License.

Proposed North Carolina Reentry Summit Meeting (Norins/Roberts)

The revised plan was reviewed. Dr. Roberts proposes that any action on the statement of intent be held in abeyance for two reasons: (1) He has been invited for a tour and lunch at the proposed summit site, the Dubose House, and (2) He will be meeting with the proposed facilitators in Chicago in December 2005. In addition, he will be having further discussions with a representative of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

The next meeting of the Re-Entry SubCommittee is tentatively set for Wednesday, January 18, 2005.

Motion: A motion passed to accept the Re-Entry SubCommittee Report.

COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT

Aloysius Walsh; Michael Norins, MD, Robert Moffatt, MD; Dicky Walia

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 52 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 because these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

MALPRACTICE COMMITTEE REPORT

Aloysius Walsh; Michael Norins, MD, Robert Moffatt, MD; Dicky Walia

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 15 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 because these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

MEDICAL EXAMINER COMMITTEE REPORT

Aloysius Walsh; Michael Norins, MD, Robert Moffatt, MD; Dicky Walia

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 Medical Examiner Committee reported on four 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 because these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

NORTH CAROLINA PHYSICIANS HEALTH PROGRAM (NCPHP) COMMITTEE REPORT

Robert Moffatt, MD; Michael Norins, MD; Dicky Walia

A motion passed to close the session to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to section 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 Board reviewed 36 cases involving participants in the NC Physicians Health Program. 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

Janelle Rhyne, MD; Arthur McCulloch; E. K. Fretwell, PhD; Edwin Swann, 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 77 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 because 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.

Twenty-eight 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 because these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned on November 18, 2005.

Janelle A. Rhyne, MD
Secretary