

MINUTES

Perfusionist Advisory Committee
of the North Carolina Medical Board

September 03, 2008

**1203 Front Street
Raleigh, North Carolina**

Minutes of the Open Session of the Perfusionist Advisory Committee September 03, 2008.

The September 03, 2008 meeting of the Perfusionist Advisory Committee was held at the North Carolina Medical Board's Office, 1203 Front Street, Raleigh, NC 27609. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Ian Shearer, CCP, LP. Committee members in attendance were: Michael Hines, MD; Shikha Sinha, MSPH; D. Scott Lawson, CCP, LP; Betsy Gaskins-McClaine, RN, BSN, MSN-C and Rick Gannotta, NP, MBA. William Hodges, CCP, LP attempted to participate via conference call.

Staff members present were: Mr. Marcus Jimison, JD, Board Attorney; Ms. Joy Cooke, Director of Licensing; and Ms. Quanta Williams, Physician Extender/Perfusionist Coordinator.

Opening Comments

Mr. Shearer welcomed everyone & thanked them for their participation in the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Motion: A motion was made to accept the minutes as written from the meeting held on August 04, 2008.

Motion: The previous motion was amended to accept the minutes with a change to show Betsy Gaskins-McClaine as present. **Passed.**

Attendance Policy

This item was placed on the agenda as a result of the PAC losing their quorum at several meetings this year. A majority of Committee members constitutes a quorum. Without a quorum the Committee was not able to vote on actions regarding applications and other agenda items. Ms. Williams provided a document showing member attendance from January 2007 – August 2008. Dr. Hines challenged other members to come/call in to the meetings and suggested using the North Carolina Medical Board's (NCMB) attendance policy as a template for the PAC. Mr. Shearer agrees that there should be a policy in place, but not necessarily the one used by NCMB. Committee members have been asked to think about a suitable PAC attendance policy. Also, since the frequency of the meetings may change, determine if the current schedule (alternating the first Monday & Wednesday of each month) is still convenient for all. This will be revisited in October.

Reciprocity Pathway - Interpretation of N.C. G.S. 90-687

This item was carried over from the August meeting. The need for interpretation of the statute came up as a result of an applicant that was trained on the job and did not graduate from an accredited program. The Committee was leaning towards Mr. Jimison's recommendation to adopt a broader interpretation of the statute (to include CCPs from non-LP states and non CCPs from LP states).

Motion: To accept a broad interpretation of NCGS 90-687. **Passed.**

Renewal Report

This information was not received from the Operations Department. An e-mail will be sent to Mr. Gupta (Director of Operations) requesting a report for July 2008 - present. A report will be given at the October meeting.

Motion: A motion was made to go into closed session. **Passed.**

Vote List & Extractions

An oral report was presented for the Committee's review. The specifics of this report are not included because these actions are not public information. Please see the Closed Session minutes.

Recusals – Ian Shearer

Motion: A motion was made to approve the vote list as presented. **Passed.**

Motion: A motion was made to return to open session. **Passed.**

Other Business

A question was asked regarding recusals. If there are no red flags or other issues with the application, does a member have to be recused simply because they know the applicant? Per Mr. Jimison, it's not about what's in the application, it's about conflict & the appearance of conflict.

Future Meetings

- October 06, 2008
- November 05, 2008
- December 01, 2008

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.