

MINUTES

North Carolina Medical Board

August 19, 2011

**1203 Front Street
Raleigh, North Carolina**

The North Carolina Medical Board held its regularly scheduled August 2011 meeting at the Board's office located at 1203 Front Street, Raleigh, NC 27609. Janice E. Huff, MD, Board President called the meeting to order on Friday, August 19, 2011, at 8:00 a.m. Board members in attendance were: Ralph C. Loomis, MD, President-Elect; William A. Walker, MD, Secretary/Treasurer; Ms. Pamela Blizzard; Eleanor E. Greene, MD; Karen R. Gerancher, MD; Paul S. Camnitz, MD; Thelma Lennon and Thomas R. Hill, MD. Also attending were Fred Morelock, Independent Legal Counsel to the Board; R. David Henderson, Executive Director and Thom Mansfield, Board Attorney.

Presidential Remarks:

Dr. Huff commenced the meeting by reading from the State Government Ethics Act, "ethics awareness and conflict of interest reminder." No conflicts were reported.

Hearing:

Parikh, Himanshu Pracinchandra, MD
Cary, NC

The Board was represented by Brian Blankenship. Dr. Parikh was represented by James Wilson.

Dr. Parikh applied for reinstatement of his medical license which he surrendered on July 23, 2010, while under investigation for substance abuse and drug diversion.

Following the hearing, the Board voted to suspend Dr. Parikh's medical license from July 23, 2010 thru September 31, 2011. Dr. Parikh will be issued a 6 month temporary license effective October 1, 2011. Dr. Parikh is limited to a 40 hour work week and may not treat chronic pain patients. The Board President must approve Dr. Parikh's practice setting. The Board will conduct a NCCSRS review every 2 months. Dr. Parikh must abide by his PHP contract and all PHP recommendations, including workplace monitoring approved by PHP and the Board President. Dr. Parikh will be invited for an Investigative Interview in March 2012.

Proposed Settlements:

Ervine, Harry, MD
Sparta, NC

The Board was represented by Mr. Todd Brosius. Dr. Ervine was represented by Scott Hefner.

The Board voted to reject the proposed Consent Order. The Board authorized a substitute Consent Order in which Dr. Ervine either agreed to the addition of a Public Letter of Concern or to inactivate his medical license.

Fitzgerald, Dwight, MD
Conover, NC

The Board was represented by Mr. Marcus Jimison. Dr. Fitzgerald was represented by Alan Schneider. Dr. Hill was recused.

The Board voted to approve proposed Consent Order.

Attorney's Report:

A motion passed to close the session pursuant to Section 143-318.11(a) of the North Carolina General Statutes to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to Sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16, 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 and/or to preserve attorney/client privilege.

A written report on 145 pending cases and 86 executed cases was presented for the Board's review. The specifics of these matters are not included as they are non-public. The Board accepted the report as presented.

A motion was passed to return to open session.

The following actions were executed since the Board's last regularly scheduled meeting. The Board voted to accept these as information.

Anderson, Alton Ray MD

Consent Order executed 6/27/11

Caldwell, Chad Dewey MD

Consent Order executed 07/07/2011

Camponovo, Ernest John MD

Public Letter of Concern executed 07/28/2011

Coombe, Courtney Fickle

Public Letter of Concern and Consent & Waiver executed 6/28/11

Cuddapah, Deepak MD

Consent & Waiver/Public Letter of Concern executed 8/8/11

Dubik, Michael Carlyle MD

Public Letter of Concern/Consent & Waiver executed 7/7/11

Fink, Gary Lee MD

Public Letter of Concern executed 7/19/11

Gray, Nicola Susan MD

Public Letter of Concern executed 07/20/2011

Greimel, Deborah White MD

Consent Order executed 7/28/11

Hakim, John Pierre MD

Consent Order executed 08/05/2011

Hall, Gregory Bruno MD

Non-Disciplinary Consent Order executed 7/22/11

Helton, Laura Elaine MD

Reentry Agreement executed 7/6/11

Hendricks, Jonathan Cleon PA
Consent & Waiver/Public Letter of Concern executed 7/18/11

Johnson, Janet, MD
Notice of Revocation executed 8/18/2011

Jones, Kathryn Brown NP
Public Letter of Concern and Consent and Waiver executed 8/17/11

Jones, Robert Glen MD
Consent Order executed 08/05/2011

Kerner, Paul Jason MD
Public Letter of Concern executed 07/14/2011

Lewis, Marvin MD
Consent Order executed 08/04/2011

Nolan, Clyde MD
Notice of Revocation executed 08/10/2011

Pizarro, Glenn
Relief of Consent Order Obligations executed 08/02/2011

Pontzer, John Tucker Hayward MD
Public Letter of Concern executed 7/6/11

Powell, Eddie Nelson MD
Notice of Charges and Allegations; Notice of Hearing executed 6/16/11

Reece, Donald Brooks MD
Notice of Charges & Allegations; Notice of Hearing executed 7/19/11

Rodgers, Carolyn Vance PA
Consent Order executed 08/04/2011

Sinthusek, Chirapa MD
Consent Order executed 08/03/2011

Smith, Michael Lantry MD
Consent Order executed 08/18/2011

Stahle, Scott Douglas MD
Motion to Continue served 7/13/11

Stowell, Steven Douglas MD
Entry of Revocation executed 6/16/11

Strother, Eric Furman MD
Non-Disciplinary Consent Order executed 08/01/2011

Sykes, Larry Justain PA
Reentry Agreement executed 07/08/2011

Turton, Robert Lawrence MD
Consent & Waiver/Public Letter of Concern executed 8/8/11

Watts, Lawrence James MD
Public Letter of Concern/Consent & Waiver executed 7/6/11

Wise, Daniel Edwin MD
Consent Order executed 7/28/11

Wright, Richard Osborne MD
Notice of Charges & Allegations; Notice of Hearing executed 7/19/11

Adjournment:

This meeting was adjourned at 3:10 pm, Friay, September 19, 2011.

William A. Walker, MD
Secretary/Treasurer