

**THE LOUISIANA STATE
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

**MINUTES
OF
MEETING**

**FEBRUARY 8, 2010
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA**

A meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, pursuant to call of the President and lawful notice, was duly convened and called to order at 8:30 a.m., Monday, February 8, 2010, by order of the President, at the offices of the Board, 630 Camp Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Board Members were present as follows:

Mark Henry Dawson, M.D., Vice-President
Kim Edward LeBlanc, M.D., Ph.D., Secretary-Treasurer
Kweli J. Amusa, M.D.
Melvin G. Bourgeois, M.D.
John Michael Burdine, M.D.
Robert Earl Dawson, M.D.
Cynthia Gail Montgomery, M.D.

The following members of the Board's staff were present:

Robert L. Marier, M.D., Executive Director
Cecilia Ann Mouton, M.D., Director of Investigations
Emily Diane Eisenhauer, M.D., Assistant Director of Investigations
Thania Elliott, RN, Investigator
Grace Hammons, Program Compliance Officer Manager
Leslie Rye, Program Compliance Officer III
Christine Holder, Program Compliance Officer III
Merian Glasper, Director of Licensure
Rita L. Arceneaux, Confidential Executive Assistant

Legal counsel to the Board was present as follows:

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Judge Frederick S. Ellis
Judge Jack Green
Philip O. Bergeron

1. **Minutes of January 11, 12, 2010 Meeting.** The Board reviewed the minutes of its meeting of January 11, 12, 2010. On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the minutes of the meetings together with the executive sessions conducted during such meeting with all necessary corrections.
2. **Status Report on Action Items of Prior Board Meetings; Report on Assignments to Counsel.** The Board noted that action items as assigned to staff and counsel from previous meetings had been completed. No further action was required or taken on this matter.
3. **Rules and Regulations.**
 - a. Final Rules/Amendments: - None published since the last meeting of the Board.
 - b. Rules/Amendments – Noticed for Intent - None published since the last meeting of the Board.
 - c. Rules/Amendments Under Development – Respiratory Therapy - The Respiratory Therapy Advisory Committee reviewed the current rules to ascertain what modifications may be needed in light of the legislative changes to the Louisiana Respiratory Therapy Act in 2007 and provided its recommendations for review. A revised draft was received from the Committee in August 2009. As soon as a final draft has been prepared, it will be presented to the Board for review and discussion. Perfusionist - The Perfusion Advisory Committee prepared an initial draft of rules for this category of allied health care professionals. Following review, a revised draft was written and received by the Board and is being studied. As soon as it has been refined, it will be presented to the Board for consideration. Physicians and Surgeons - Mid-Level Providers - The Board appointed a Committee to work on the development of rules for supervision, collaboration and consultation with mid-level providers. As soon as such draft is finalized, it will be presented to the Board for consideration. Clinical Laboratory Personnel – The Clinical Laboratory Advisory Committee recommended that the Board undertake the following additional rule-making efforts: (i) to adopt staff’s recommendations to include a number of causes that may give rise to the denial, suspension, or revocation of licensure; (ii) to delete Chapter 111 of its rules so that the Board may continue to handle disciplinary proceedings relative to CLP applicants/licensees as it does for all other allied health care providers; and (iii) to eliminate certification examinations CLS-G/CLS-T offered by two organizations which, in the view of the Committee, do not provide the minimum acceptable education, clinical, employment or experience requirements requisite to licensure. The Board reviewed, discussed and decided to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt items (i) and (ii) in the *Louisiana Register* and it requested and received clarification on item (iii) from the Committee. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to invite members of the Advisory Committee to appear at its March meeting to discuss the recommendations relative to item (iii). Physicians and Surgeons - Supervision of

Unlicensed Providers - The Board directed staff/counsel to work on the development of rules for supervision of unlicensed providers of cosmetic and other medical services. As soon as a draft is finalized, it will be presented to the Board for consideration. **Polysomnography** - The Board received a proposed draft of new rules for polysomnographers from its Advisory Committee on Polysomnography. As soon as a final draft has been prepared, it will be presented to the Board for review and discussion. **Physician Assistants** – A draft of proposed amendments concerning scope of practice issues relating to physician assistants was referred to the PA Advisory Committee for input. A draft was presented to the Board for consideration at its July 2008 meeting. Suggested modifications, along with additional revisions from the Committee and staff were incorporated into a draft and considered by the Board at its August 2008 meeting. Following review and discussion, the Board approved the draft and voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rules in the *Louisiana Register*. Prior to publication, the Board granted the request of the Physician Assistant Advisory Committee and the Louisiana Association of Physician Assistants to discuss the proposed rules at its December 15, 2008 meeting. Following discussion among these parties and the Board at that time, the Board decided to withhold publication of the *Notice of Intent* and study the proposed draft further. **Midwifery** - The Board directed staff to prepare an amendment to its rules to address certification of midwifery training by a national accrediting entity. **Medical Psychologists** – The Board decided to undertake a rule making effort pursuant to Act 251 of the 2009 session of the Louisiana Legislature which, among other matters, transfers medical psychologists from the Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists to the Board. Draft rules will be submitted to the Board for its consideration and discussion in due course. **Physicians and Surgeons – Demonstration of Clinical Competency**: The Board instructed staff/counsel to work on the development of rules for demonstration of physician clinical competency for licensure reinstatement/renewal. A draft was presented to the Board for initial consideration and discussion at its April 2009 meeting. During its January 11, 2010 meeting, the Board reviewed, discussed and decided to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the proposed rules in the *Louisiana Register*. **Private Radiologic Technologists**: - The Board reviewed the proposed rule amendments that move the fee schedule for private radiologist technologists from Chapter 81 to Chapter 1 and revise the training requirements needed for certification. The Board approved providing a *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendment at its meeting of January 11, 2010. **Competency Physicians and Surgeons – Technical, Administrative Amendments** - The Board directed staff/counsel to work on a number of technical and administrative amendments to its rules. Following review and discussion during its December 2009 meeting, the Board approved publication of *Notice of Intent* to adopt the amendments to its rules on continuing medical education, criminal history record information, clinical trails, Chapter 83 and Private Radiologic Technologists in the *Louisiana Register*. The Board also offered suggested modifications to the proposed rules on board certification, which were incorporated into revised drafts and presented to the Board for review and discussion at its February 8, 2010 meeting. Following review and discussions, the modifications were accepted and upon the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa, the Board approved for publication of *Notice of Intent* to adopt the amendment in the next issue of the *Louisiana Register*.

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[4.] Report on Pending Litigation. On the motion of Dr. Montgomery duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote,, the Board convened in executive session to receive the report of legal counsel on pending litigation to which the Board was a party and the status of proceedings for judicial review of prior Board decisions, La. Rev. Stat. § 42:6.1 A(2). No further action was required or taken on this matter.

5. General Administrative Matters; 2010 Legislation; Proposed Amendments to the Medical Practice Act/Other Laws. The Board considered several amendments to the Medical Practice Act and other laws bearing on its duties and functions and offered suggested modifications. Following review and discussion, the Board offered several other changes. On the motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and unanimously carried, the Board authorized Dr. Marier to meet with representatives of its oversight committees and others, provide information as to the benefit of the changes proposed and, if acceptable, to assist in moving them forward.

[6.] Personal Appearances/Docket Calendar. On the motion of Dr. Robert Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, to review the calendar of personal appearances and docketed hearings, as matters relating to the character and professional conduct of a licensee and allegations of misconduct, La. Rev. Stat. 42:6.1 A(1), (4). No further action was required or taken on this matter.

[7.] Investigative Reports. Continuing in executive session, the Board considered the investigative reports as matters relating to the character and professional conduct of a licensee, and allegations of misconduct, La. Rev. Stat. §42:6.1 A(1) and (4). Following the review, the Board resumed in open session. Upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the following:

a. Consent Orders: The following Consent Orders were accepted:

Dana Lynn Rice, M.D., Docket No., 09-I-612
Michael Stephen Insler, M.D., Docket No., 09-I-842
Tulio Roberto Ortega, M.D., Docket No., 09-I-728
Armand Christopher Grimshaw, M.D., Docket No., 09-I-696
Nedra Clem Jackson, M.D., Docket No., 09-I-375
Robert Evans Burke, PA, Docket No., 05-I-484
Rel Larkin Gray, M.D., Docket No., 09-I-592
Andy Van Tran, M.D., Docket No., 09-I-908

b. Consent Order: The following Consent Order was deferred:

Docket No., 09-I-373

c. Closed: The following matters were closed with no further action:

Docket No., 09-I-352
Docket No., 09-I-777
Docket No., 09-I-743

- d. Closed: The following matters were closed with a Letter of Concern:

Docket No., 05-I-177

Docket No., 09-I-408

Docket No., 09-I-460

- e. Information Only: The following matters were presented for information only:

Docket No., 09-I-681

Docket No., 09-I-675

- f. Closed Complaint Cases: The Board reviewed the Closed Complaint Cases Report. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

8. General Administrative Matters; Oath of Office; John Michael Burdine, M.D. The Board welcomed John Michael Burdine, M.D., recently appointed to the Board by Governor Jindal replacing Dr. Gage-White. He was administered the Oath of Office by Judge Frederick S. Ellis. Staff was directed to mail the oath to the appropriate offices of the Governor for senate confirmation.

[9.] Professional Liability Report. On the motion of Dr. Bourgeois duly seconded by Dr. Robert Dawson and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the report of Dr. Eisenhauer, on professional liability cases reviewed since the last meeting of the Board as matters relating to the character and professional conduct of a licensee and allegations of misconduct, La. Rev. Stat. § 42:6.1 A(1) and (4). No further action was required or taken on these matters.

[10.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Dana Lynn Rice, M.D., On the motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Dana Lynn Rice, M.D., and several other licensees, as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:6.1A(1) and (4). Dana Lynn Rice, M.D., appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of her Consent Order. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

[11.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Michael Stephen Insler, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Michael Stephen Insler, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:6.1A(1). Dr. Insler appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order.

[12.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Armand Christopher Grimshaw, M.D. On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Armand Christopher Grimshaw, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:6.1A(1). Dr. Grimshaw appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order.

[13.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Rel Larkin Gray, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Robert Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Rel Larkin Gray, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:6.1A(1). Rel Larkin Gray, M.D., appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order.

[14.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Andy Van Tran, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Andy Van Tran, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:6.1A(1). Andy Van Tran, M.D., appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order.

[15.] Physicians Health Committee. On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to receive the report of Julie Alleman, M.Ed., LPC, LMFT, LAC, Administrative Director, Physicians Health Foundation on participates in the Physicians' Health Program who were either appearing before the Board or had matters before the Board for review and discussion, as matters relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:6.1A(1) and (4). No further action was required or taken on this matter.

[16.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Robert Evans Burke, PA. On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Robert Dawson and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Robert Evans Burke, PA., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:6.1A(1). Robert Evans Burke, PA, appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order.

[17.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Morris Alan Sandler, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Bourgeois and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Morris Alan Sandler, M.D., concerning a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:6.1A(1) and (4). Morris Alan Sandler, M.D., appeared before the Board in connection with his request for reinstatement of his license to a full, unrestricted license, off probation. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session and upon motion made and passed by unanimous voice vote the Board approved reinstatement of the license of Morris Alan Sandler, M.D., to a full, unrestricted status, off probation.

[18.] General Disciplinary Matters. On the motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the requests relating to the execution or modification of a Decision and/or Consent Order as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct of licensees, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §42:6.1A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session and upon motion made and passed by unanimous voice vote, took the following actions:

- a. Probation Report - The Board noted the activity report for the probation department submitted for this month.

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- b. Site Visits – The Board noted the report on site visits for physician assistants, supervising physicians, and those with collaborative practice agreements and discussed compliance with the rules relative to supervision of physician assistants by primary and locum tenens physicians.
- c. Dispensing Physicians Site Visits - The Board noted the report of the dispensing physicians' site visits submitted for this month.
- d. Sigrist, James Scott, M.D. – To deny the request of James Scott Sigrist, M.D., for reinstatement of his prescribing privileges and approval of his practice location.
- e. Waguespack, Roland Simeon, M.D. – To note the follow-up information provided on monitoring of Roland Simeon Waguespack, Jr., M.D., through Affiliated Monitors, Inc..
- f. Enforcement Indicators/Board Actions 2009 – To note the report of the Enforcement Indicators and Disciplinary Board Actions for 2009 as prepared by Ms. Hammons
- g. Prescription Monitoring Program (“PMP”) Advisory Council – To note the report of the quarterly meeting of the PMP Advisory Council held January 13, 2010.

19. Communication and Information; National Acupuncture Detoxification Association. The Board reviewed correspondence received from Laura Cooley, LAc, Registered National Acupuncture Detoxification Association (“NADA”) Trainer, inviting all Board members to their conference being held in New Orleans March 26-27, 2010. Ms. Cooley mentioned the topic being discussed is the supervision of Acu Detox Specialists by MDs and how the Board’s rules could be modified to allow for supervision of more than 5 Acu Detox Specialists by Louisiana licensed MDs. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to authorize Dr. Marier to attend the conference and to consider Ms. Cooley’s letter as a request for a rule-making effort to which a formal response was required within 45 days.

20. Communication and Information; Department of Health and Hospitals; Medicaid. The Board reviewed correspondence received from Rodney Wise, M.D., Medicaid Medical Director, asking the Board to forward any annual reports on midwifery statistics to help in determining whether lay midwives should be allowed to enroll in the Louisiana Medicaid Program as providers of services to Medicaid recipients. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to defer action on this matter to research and gather information.

21. General Administrative Matters; Financial Reports.

Financial Statement - The Board reviewed a statement on the revenue and expenses for the period ending December 31, 2009 and approved all expenditures as noted therein. The Board also reviewed the status of investments as of December 31, 2010. The Board also reviewed a balance sheet and income statement for Clinical Laboratory Personnel for the period ending

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December 31, 2010 and approved all expenditures as noted therein. The Board also reviewed the status of investments for Clinical Laboratory Personnel as of December 31, 2009.

22. General Administrative Matters; President's Report. The Board noted the activities of the President since the last meeting of the Board. Dr. Mark Dawson, Vice-President, allowed Dr. LeBlanc to give a report on the activities of the Federation of State Medical Boards, Inc. It was also determined that Dr. Robert Dawson would serve as the voting delegate at the FSMB's annual meeting along with Dr. Marier as Executive Director. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

23. General Administrative Matters; Executive Director's Report. The Board received the report of the Executive Director on his activities since the last meeting of the Board. He reported on the renovation project presenting the revised schedule as well as the revised 5th floor plan. He also presented the Spring 2010 *Newsletter* for review and informed the Board it would be mailed in March.

[24.] Licensure and Certification; Clinical Laboratory Personnel. On the motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine applications for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competency, or physical or mental health of an applicant pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:6.1A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Technician

Lorig, Jennifer Lynn

[25.] Licensure and Certification; Occupational Therapy. On motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine application for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:6.1A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, made the following decisions:

- a. Approved – To approve the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Ortega, Amy Lynn

Occupational Therapist

Weatherspoon, Kimberly LeAnn

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b. Denied – To reaffirm the Board’s decision to deny the request of the following for a waiver of an examination attempt on the NBCOT examination:

Millican, Kelly Leann

[26.] Licensure and Certification; Physician Assistants. On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the applications for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:6.1A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded, and carried by majority voice vote, made the following decisions:

- a. Prescriptive Authority. To approve the applicants for prescriptive authority in accordance with promulgated of the rules effective January 20, 2005 provided all requirements had been met:
 - 1) Bowes, Celeste Michele, PA – Supervising physicians: Drs. David Coffin, Liza Dileo, Charles Sea, Victor Garcia-Prats, Brent Combs, Roxanne Thompson, Joseph Guarisco, Vicky Hebert, Christopher Voigt, William Troxler, Frances Smith, Christopher John Najberg, Robert Link, Christiane Eisele, Farrell Joseph, Stephen Waldo, Richard McConnell, Patrick McNulty and Vicky Hebert, Ochsner Clinic Foundation, Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery, 1514 Jefferson Highway, New Orleans.
 - 2) Chreene, Christi Ann, PA – Supervising physician: Dr. Vyas Rao, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, 1501 Kings Highway, Shreveport.
 - 3) Coleman, Thomas William, PA - Supervising physicians: Drs. Timothy Collins, Paul Wheeler and Susan Wingo, Natchitoches Regional Medical Center, 501 Keyser Avenue, Natchitoches.
 - 4) Delcambre, Michael-Ann Bryant, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Travis Spears, Glenwood Regional Medical Center, West Monroe.
 - 5) Deshotel, Lisa Rene, PA – Supervising physician: Dr. Carson Cunning, 4212 West Congress Street, Suite 2100, Lafayette.
 - 6) Deshotels, Natalie Alyce, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Philip Noel, 443 Heymann Boulevard, Suite A, Lafayette,
 - 7) Fifter, Nicole Elaine, PA - Supervising physicians: Drs. Matthew Henry Leboeuf and Christiane Natascha Eisele, Ochsner Foundation Clinic, Emergency Department, 1514 Jefferson Highway, New Orleans.
 - 8) Howell, Dustin Wayne, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Edward Calvert,

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Glenwood Regional Medical Center, 102 Thomas Road, Suite 402, West Monroe.

9) Langlinais, Adam Paul, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Victor Tedesco IV, 5000 Ambassador Caffery, Providence Building 14, Suite A, Lafayette.

10) Lewis, Emily Holliday, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Christopher Babycos, 1319 Jefferson Highway, New Orleans.

11) Pagoulato, Dimitri Nicholas, PA – Supervising physicians: Drs. William Collier, Jr., Todd Howell, James Runnels, Si Nguyen, Christopher Ferguson and Thuytien Thi, Ochsner Foundation Clinic, Emergency Department, Baton Rouge.

12) Price, Stephen Robert, PA – Supervising physicians: Drs. Larry Parker, Kelvin Spears, Howard Rigg III, Stuart Yoas, Nickles Bergeron, Marcus Brown, Seth Womack, Anthony Pruet, Sara Kelly and James Hebert, 3351 Masonic Drive, Alexandria.

13) Ricks, Kevin Mark, PA – Supervising physicians: Drs. Ruben Vargas-Cuba, Gerald O'Bryan and Lasandra Barton, 1978 Industrial Boulevard, Houma.

14) Smith, Jamie Nicole, PA – Supervising physician: Dr. Edward Dauterive, Jr., 1100 Andres Street, Suite 101, New Iberia.

15) Thomas, Michael James, PA – Supervising physicians: Drs. Victor Garcia-Prats, Joseph Guarisco, Vicky Sue Hebert, Farrell Johnson and Patrick McNulty, 1516 Jefferson Highway, New Orleans.

16) Tyler, Timothy James, PA – Supervising physician: Dr. Shesha Katakam, 319 N. Hood Street, Lake Providence.

17) Vu, Hong Thi, PA – Supervising physicians: Drs. Stephen Heinrich, Andrew King, Joseph Gonzales, Jr., William Accousti and Vinitha Shenava, Children's Hospital, 400 Henry Clay Avenue, New Orleans.

18) Wittenmyer, Elizabeth Renee, PA – Supervising physicians: Drs. Raymond Taylor, Myriam Hutchinson, Brian Sullivan, Claude Meeks and Joseph Crookshank, Jr., 118 N. Hospital Drive, Abbeville.

b. Deferred – To defer action on the following pending receipt of additional information:

1) Loupe, Mark Francis, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Horace Lee Mitchell, The Neuromedical Center, 10101 Park Rowe Avenue, Suite 200, Baton Rouge.

2) Mentzer, Carleton Argo, PA - Supervising physicians: Drs. Brian Bourgeois, Howard Nelson, Jr., and Barnabus Fote, United Medical Care, 2639 N. Causeway

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Boulevard, Mandeville

3) Stutes, Rachel Bulliard, PA – Supervising physicians: Drs. Matthew Fontenot and Amanda Logue, 115 Audubon Boulevard, Lafayette.

[27.] Licensure and Certification; Polysomnography. On motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine application for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:6.1A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Polysomnography Technologists

Buffington, Jody Lynn
Lucas, Nathalie R.
Smith, Jennifer Renee
Soileau, Christine

Spindel, Lisa Marie
Stelly, Laurie Ann
Varnado, Stephanie Ann

[28.] Licensure and Certification; Podiatry. On motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the applications for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:6.1A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Advanced Practice – Conservative Treatment of the Ankle

Lagman, Robert Joseph
Quirante, Frederick Elefano
Randolph, Bryan Wayne

Savard, Maxime Gerald
Toups, Jerry Elbert

[29.] Licensure and Certification; Physicians & Surgeons; Foreign Medical Graduates. On motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine applications for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:6.1A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, made the following decisions:

a. Le, Hoa Thuan, D.O. – To inform Hoa Thuan Le, D.O., that an applicant is allowed four examination attempts on each part of the COMLEX USA Level 2, CE and PE examinations.

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- b. Non-Routine applicants - To approve the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Adiet, John Adolph
Benigno, Daisy May

Branam, Karen Page
Koirala, Prashanta

[30.] Licensure and Certification; Physicians & Surgeons; U.S./Canadian Medical Graduates.

On motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the applications for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:6.1A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, made the following decisions:

- a. Johnson, John Hurlin, M.D. – To deny the request of John Hurlin Johnson, M.D., for a waiver of the SPEX examination.
- b. Non-Routine - To approve the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Beeharilal, Permanand S.J.
Boudreaux, Shannon Christopher
Buell, Joseph Frederick
Glaser, Anne Miriam

Goyal, Maheep Kumar
Viglianco, James Peter
York, Robert Scott

[31.] Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Fingerprint Discrepancies Report.

On motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to review the report of Cecilia Ann Mouton, M.D., Investigating Officer, on the applicants for licensure with fingerprint discrepancies as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:6.1A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Clinical Laboratory Personnel

Trent, James Allen

[32.] Licensure and Certification; Intern/Examination Registration. On motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the applications for intern/examination registration as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:6.1A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, reaffirmed the Board's

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decision to deny the request of the following for waiver of an examination attempt:

U.S. Graduates Training Permits

Rochon, Paul John

[33.] Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Relicensure/Reinstatement. On motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Bourgeois and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the application for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:6.1A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the following for reinstatement/relicensure provided all requirements had been met:

Kraus, Stephen Terry, M.D.

34. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Licensees for Suspension. The Board reviewed the list of licensees, who had failed to renew their licenses by December 31, 2009. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

35. Next Meeting of Board. The President reminded members that the next meeting of the Board was scheduled for March 15, 16, 2010.

Upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m., on Monday, February 8, 2010.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct account of the proceedings of the meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, save for executive session of the Board conducted therein, held on February 8, 2010 as approved by the Board on the 15th day of March 2010.

Witness my hand and seal of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners this 15th day of March 2010.

Kim Edward LeBlanc, M.D., Ph.D.
Secretary-Treasurer

Attest:

Mark Henry Dawson, M.D.
Vice-President