

**THE LOUISIANA STATE  
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

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**MINUTES  
OF  
MEETING**

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**JANUARY 11, 12, 2010  
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA**

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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, January 11, 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.  
Cynthia Gail Montgomery, M.D.

Board Members absent as follows:

Linda Gage-White, M.D., Ph.D., President  
Robert Earl Dawson, 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 Gasper, Director of Licensure  
Rita L. Arceneaux, Confidential Executive Assistant

Legal counsel to the Board was present as follows:

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

*First Session*  
*Monday, January 11, 2010*

1. **Minutes of December 14, 2009 Meeting.** The Board reviewed the minutes of its meeting of December 14, 2009. Motion was made by Dr. Bourgeois duly seconded and unanimously carried, to approve 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 Advisory Committee for Respiratory Therapy 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. 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 requested and received clarification on item (iii) from the Committee, which is being reviewed by the liaison Board member.  
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 previously presented to the Board for review and discussion (most recently at its April 2009 meeting). At the request of staff, the Board review the draft amendment, upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board authorized publication of *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendment. **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. Upon motion, made and unanimously carried, the Board approved *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendment. **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 and CME, which have been incorporated into the revised draft and presented to the Board for review and discussion. Upon review and discussion, the Board approved publication of *Notice of Intent* to adopt the amendments in the next issue of the *Louisiana Register*.

[4.] **Report on Pending Litigation.** On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc duly seconded by Dr. Bourgeois 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.] Personal Appearances/Docket Calendar.** Continuing in executive session, the Board reviewed 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.

**[6.] Investigative Reports.** On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the investigative reports as a matter 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:

Ronald Anthony Dufrene, Jr., RRT., Docket No., 09-I-853  
James Douglas Okun, M.D., Docket No., 08-I-468  
Georgianna Tsekouras Burns, M.D., Docket No., 09-I-129  
Julie Dowling McIntosh, PA, Docket No., 09-I-459  
Roland Simeon Waguespack, Jr., M.D., Docket No., 09-I-082  
Llewellyn Logarta Simon, M.D., Docket No., 09-I-583  
David Gay Morrison, M.D., Docket No., 07-I-062

- b. Discontinued: The following matter was discontinued with a Letter of Concern:

Docket No., 09-I-546

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

Docket No., 09-I-749  
Docket No., 09-I-586

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

Docket No., 08-I-778  
Docket No., 09-I-908

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

**[7.] Professional Liability Report.** On the motion of Dr. Amusa duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery 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.

**[8.] 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.

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. The Board approved seeking disciplinary action for non-compliance with the Board’s rules beginning August 1, 2010, for those physicians who have been cited as follow-up to the guidance and instruction given by Joseph Bonck.

c. Rappelet, Case Anthony, PA – To defer action on the request of Case Anthony Rappelet, PA, for approval of additional supervising physicians in excess of twenty-five (25) pending receipt of requested information regarding the clinical practice guidelines.

d. Supervising/Locum Physicians – To approve the request for additional supervising/locum physicians in excess of twenty-five (25) for the following physician assistants:

Bracey, Leanne Triche  
Chappell, Rachel Naomi  
Oberle, Jefferson Kenneth

Thomas, Michael James  
Verdun, Shawna Nikia

e. Dispensing Physicians Site Visits - The Board noted the report of the dispensing physicians’ site visits submitted for this month.

f. Berkowitz, Roy Edward, M.D. – To deny the request of Roy Edward Berkowitz, M.D., for reinstatement of his prescribing privileges.

g. Burke, Robert Evans, PA – To deny the request of Robert Evans Burke, PA, for reinstatement of his license to a full, unrestricted status and to extend his probation for an additional six months.

h. Crear-Perry, Joia, M.D. – To note the communication regarding the assessment program by the Center for Personalized Education for Physicians relative to Dr. Crear-Perry.

**[9.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Eileen Clare Lynch-Ballard, 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 Eileen Clare Lynch-Ballard, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:6.1A(1)). Eileen Clare Lynch-Ballard, M.D., accompanied by her attorney, James E. Shields, Sr., and her daughter, appeared before the Board in connection with her request for reinstatement of her suspended license. Following her dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the reinstatement of the license of Eileen Clare Lynch-Ballard, M.D., on probation for a period of one year or until such time as she has demonstrated compliance with the special and general terms of probation.

**10. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Use of Medical Lasers; Non-Licensed Personnel.** The Board reviewed correspondence received from Cynthia L. Mizgala, M.D., regarding the use of medical lasers by non-licensed personnel under physician supervision. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to inform Dr. Mizgala an unlicensed individual must function solely under a licensed physician's direction and immediate personal supervision when assisting in the provision of such service, where the physician is physically present on the premises at all times that the unlicensed individual is on duty and retains full responsibility to the patient for the training, delivery and result of all services rendered and at no time can the unlicensed personnel act independently or exercise independent medical judgment.

**11. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Respiratory Therapy; Scope of Practice; Emergency Intubation in Hospital Setting.** The Board reviewed the response received from Raymond Pisani, BS, RRT-NPS, Chair, Respiratory Therapy Advisory Committee regarding the ability of respiratory therapists to provide emergency intubation. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to inform Cayle Guillory, RRT, Eunice Extended Care Hospital that respiratory therapists are allowed under their scope of practice to perform emergency intubation for cardiopulmonary and respiratory arrest and acute respiratory failure but that scheduled intubations are not within their scope of practice.

**12. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Attorney Ownership Interest in Imaging Centers.** The Board reviewed the draft correspondence prepared in response to the request received from Herbert W. Marks, M.D., F.A.C.S., Physician/Chairman Medical/Legal Interprofessional Committee, a Standing Committee of the Louisiana State Medical Society and the Louisiana Bar Association, for an advisory opinion on the propriety of physicians permitting attorneys to purchase a financial interest in imaging centers. Following review and discussion it was the consensus of the Board to approve the draft response for dissemination to Dr. Marks informing him that the Board would need more information to render an opinion as to whether the laws and rules administered by the Board are implicated by the type of arrangement described, to advise that Louisiana Anti-kickback law prohibits payments by or to a physician as a financial incentive for the referral of patients and its federal counterpart makes it a criminal offense to knowingly and willfully offer, pay, solicit or receive any remuneration to induce or reward referrals reimbursable by a federal health care program. Additional information was requested.

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**13. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Dispensation Registration; Ability to Delegate.** The Board reviewed the draft response to the request of J. Barrett Benton, Esq., Benton, Benton & Associates for clarification of the Board's ruling that in accordance with Attorney General's Office Opinions ("AG Opinions) AG No. 88-165 and 91-135 dispensing physicians are unable to delegate any dispensing functions to a nurse or any other employee citing changes in the Louisiana Pharmacy Practice Act and the creation of a category of health care practitioners, pharmacy technicians. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to approve the response informing Mr. Benton that pharmacy technicians were created to assist pharmacists in the practice of pharmacy and the Medical Practice Act does not include a provision authorizing the use of pharmacy assistants to assist physicians and the Board's earlier position remained in force absent a change in the law. The Board also informed Mr. Benton that it took note of inclusion in the Pharmacy Law of the ability of a cashier or other clerical personnel to lawfully deliver and collect payment and the Board is of the opinion that clerical or medical staff of a dispensing physician is likewise permitted to follow a similar protocol, provided the dispensing physician is physically present and complied with all requirements imposed upon pharmacists by the Pharmacy Law.

**14. Communication and Information; American Board of Interventional Pain Physicians.** The Board reviewed correspondence received Mark V. Boswell, M.D., Ph.D., Executive Director, American Board of Interventional Pain Physicians ("ABIPP:") asking the Board to formally recognize the ABIPP as a Board certifying organization and to recognize its diplomats as board-certified physicians. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to advise Dr. Boswell that ABIPP does not meet the Board's current requirement of recognition by the American Board of Medical Specialties.

**[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.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Siddhartha Rath, 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 Siddhartha Rath, 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). Siddhartha Rath, 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 Siddhartha Rath, M.D., to a full, unrestricted status, off probation.

**[17.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Georgianna Tsekouras Burns, 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 Georgianna

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Tsekouras Burns, 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). Georgianna Tsekouras Burns, M.D., accompanied by her attorney, William P. Gibbens, Esq., appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of her Superseding Consent Order. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**[18.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Julie Dowling McIntosh, PA,** Continuing in executive session, Julie Dowling McIntosh, PA., appeared before the Board, 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), in connection with the acceptance of her Consent Order. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**[19.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Llewellyn Logarta Simon, M.D.** Continuing in executive session, Llewellyn Logarta Simon, M.D., appeared before the Board, 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), in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**[20.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Roland Simon Waguespack, Jr., M.D.** Continuing in executive session, Roland Simon Waguespack, M.D., accompanied by his attorney, William P. Gibbens, Esq., appeared before the Board, 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), in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**21. General Administrative Matters; Financial Reports.**

a. Financial Statement - The Board reviewed a statement on the revenue and expenses for the period ending November 30, 2009 and approved all expenditures as noted therein. The Board also reviewed the status of investments as of November 30, 2009. The Board also reviewed a balance sheet and income statement for Clinical Laboratory Personnel for the period ending November 30, 2009, and approved all expenditures as noted therein. The Board also reviewed the status of investments for Clinical Laboratory Personnel as of November 30, 2009.

b. Travel Expenses. Motion was made by Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote authorizing the Executive Director to approve routine and special travel for Board Members, Board staff, Board consultants and legal counsel for calendar year 2010, including but not limited to the following:

- 1) Travel expenses in connection with attendance at all Board meetings and Board Committee meetings.
- 2) Travel expenses in connection with appearances at appropriate private or state entities on behalf of or to represent the Board.

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- 3) Travel expenses in connection with investigations conducted by the Board, to include travel expenses of witnesses.
- 4) Travel expenses in connection with any court or deposition appearance for the purpose of providing testimony on behalf of the Board.
- 5) Travel expenses for attending the annual meetings of the Louisiana State Medical Society and the Louisiana State Medical Association, with payment of per diem for any member giving an annual report to said organizations.
- 6) Travel expenses in connection with meetings of the following national organizations and any committee thereof on which a member of the Board or a member of the Board's staff serves on behalf of the Board, for including, but not limited to the Federation of State Medical Boards, Administrators in Medicine and National Board of Medical Examiners, and authorized meetings for educational purposes.

**22. General Administrative Matters; Medical Psychology Advisory Committee.** The Board reviewed the minutes of the meeting of the Medical Psychology Advisory Committee held September 16, 2009 as well as the agenda of the meeting held January 5, 2010 in Baton Rouge. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**[23.] 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:

Laboratory Assistant

Cash, Latasha Marie

**[24.] 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, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Hendrix, Pamela Lynn

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**[25.] 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) Angelo, Jennifer Brown, PA – Supervising physicians: Drs. Jonathan Glass and Harold Paden, Jr., Feist Weiller Cancer Center, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, 1501 Kings Highway, Shreveport.
  - 2) Barron, Deborah Susan, PA – Supervising physicians: Drs. William Hunt and Roan Flenniken, Highland Clinic, 1455 E. Bert Kouns, Shreveport.
  - 3) Bracey, Leanne Triche, PA - Supervising physicians: Drs. David Coffin, Liza Dileo, Charles Sea, Victor Garcia-Prats, Brent Combs, Roxanne Thompson, Joseph Guarisco, Vicky Hebert, Christopher Voight, William Troxler, Frances Smith, Christopher Najberg, Robert Link, Farrell Johnson, Stephen Waldo, Richard McConnell, Patrick McNulty and Armando Hevia III, Ochsner Medical Center, 1514 Jefferson Highway, New Orleans.
  - 4) Briscoe, Thomas Lyle, PA - Supervising physicians: Drs. Nina Hall, Cher Aymond, Rosemary St. Clergy and Laura Rogers, 913 South College Drive, Suite 216, Lafayette.
  - 5) Culpepper, Charles Wayne, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Prakash Manapragada, 8001 Youree Drive, # 880, Shreveport.
  - 6) Delcambre, Michael-Ann Bryant, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Thomas Scott Maxey, Glenwood Regional Medical Center, 503 McMillan Road, West Monroe,
  - 7) Gates, Dwayne Allen, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Marcus Brown, Deputy State Surgeon's Office, 496 3rd Street, Pineville.
  - 8) McAllister, Jeannie Shim, PA - Supervising physicians: Drs. Carmell Lenert and John Netterville, 2MDG Family Practice Clinic, 243 Curtiss Road, Suite 100, Barksdale Air Force Base.
  - 9) McVay, Jennifer Rambin, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Paul Molinar, VA Medical Center, 2495 Shreveport Highway 71, Alexandria.

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- 10) Price, Stephen Robert, PA - Supervising physicians: Drs. Anthony Pruett, Sara Kelly, James Hebert and Marcus Stokes.
- 11) Smith, Marla Kay, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Michelle Pardue, 2001 Doctors Drive, Springhill.
- 12) Smith, Rachael Tingle, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Paul Molinar, VA Medical Center, 2495 Shreveport Highway 71, Pineville.
- 13) Toups, Paula Katherine, PA – Supervising physician: Dr. Vikram Parmar, 8080 Bluebonnet Boulevard, Suite 1000, Baton Rouge.
- 14) White, Chanda Lynn, PA – Supervising physician: Dr. Victor Vautrot, 2495 Shreveport Highway 71, Pineville.

**[26.] Licensure and Certification; Respiratory Therapy.** 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 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, deferred action on the application of the following pending receipt of additional information:

Scalia, Anthony Carroll

**[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

Lucas, Nathalie Rosa  
Smith, Jennifer Renee

Stelly, Laurie Ann

**[28.] Licensure and Certification; Medical Psychologists.** 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:

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Certificates of Advanced Practice

Ally, Glenn  
Bolter, John  
Castle, Cathy  
Davis, Robert

Fain, Thomas  
Lowe, Warren  
Quillin, James

Medical Psychologists (Transferred from LSBEP)

Adams, Carla  
Ally, Glen  
Aucoin, Donna  
Baker, Earl  
Baskin, Steven  
Berard, Michael  
Bergeron, Edmond  
Boake, Corwin  
Bolter, John  
Bolvahon, Bryan  
Burnett, Darla  
Buxton, Alfred  
Calvert, James  
Castille, Cathy  
Comaty Joseph  
Courtney John  
Dammers Pau  
Davis Robert  
Eckert Bryan  
Eckholdt C.  
Fain Thomas  
Fidanza John  
Rovaris Jillandra  
Sentell Samuel  
Sesta Joseph  
Speier Karen  
Swanbon Thomas  
Upton Linda  
Vincent Curtis

Frank Jeffrey  
Hansen Catherine  
Heslet Lynette  
Hopewell Clifford  
Jackson David  
Klusman Lawrence  
Ladner Maurine  
Levy Judith  
Lowe Warren  
MacCardell Leslie  
McCormick, Bruce  
McGuinness, Kevin  
Muse, Mark  
Nemeth, Darlyne  
Nolan, Rebecca  
Penton, Cherri  
Pinkston, James  
Pugh, Sharon  
Quillin, James  
Rambin, Yolanda  
Ray, Kelly  
Rostow, Cary  
Waggoner, Craig  
Whelton, John Zachary  
Williams, David Monroe  
Witt, Victoria  
Younger, Robert  
Zimmerman, Mar

**[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:

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- a. Reyes, Merle, M.D. – To deny the request of Merle Reyes, M.D., for a waiver of an examination attempt.
- b. Non-Routine applicants - To approve the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Ratliff, James Allen  
Sabharwal, Vivek

Sharan, Shweta  
Walpole, Aaron Jamison

**[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. Desai, Sapna Vinod, M.D. – To defer action on the application of Sapna Vinod Desai, M.D., pending receipt of additional information.
- b. Non-Routine - To approve the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Lauer, Michael Joseph

Mallampati, Gautham Krishna

**[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:

Occupational Therapist

Scott, Steven Alan

Clinical Laboratory Personnel

Daigle, Therese Nichole

Hummel, Kimberly Latrease

**[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 approved the following for intern registration provided all requirements had been met:

U.S. Graduates Training Permits

Howell, David Shannon  
Tekle, Tesfai Julien

Wells, John Hay III

Graduate Education Temporary Permit

Singh, Kuldeep (Continuance)

**[33.] Licensure and Certification; Acupuncture.** On motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery 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:

Acupuncturist

Williams, Kenneth

**[34.] Malpractice Report; Personal Appearance; Paul Hubbell, M.D.,** On the motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Paul Hubbell, M.D., 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). Dr. Hubbell appeared before the Board as requested and no further action was required or taken on this matter.

Upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m. to reconvene at the Board at 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, January 12, 2010.

***Second Session***  
***Tuesday, January 12, 2010***

The meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners reconvened at 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, January 12, 2010, at the offices of the Board with everyone in attendance except those absent, Drs. Robert Dawson and Linda Gage-White.

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**[35.] Personal Appearances/Docket Calendar; Formal Hearing; Daniel Ray Baker, 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 purpose of a formal hearing in the matter of Daniel Ray Baker, M.D., as a matter relating to allegations of misconduct and the character and professional conduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:6.1A(1) and (10) and conduct an administrative hearing as provided by the legislature in the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act., La. Rev. Stat.49:951, *et Seq.*

**36. Next Meeting of Board.** The President reminded members that the next meeting of the Board was scheduled for February 8, 9, 2010.

Upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m., on Tuesday, January 12, 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 January 11, 12, 2010 as approved by the Board on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of February 2010.

Witness my hand and seal of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners this 8<sup>th</sup> day of February 2010.

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

Attest:

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Mark Henry Dawson, M.D.  
Vice-President