

**THE LOUISIANA STATE
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

**MINUTES
OF
MEETING**

**MARCH 15, 16, 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, March 15, 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:

MINUTES OF MEETING

MARCH 15, 16, 2010

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

First Session

Monday, March 15, 2010

1. **Minutes of February 8, 2010 Meeting.** The Board reviewed the minutes of its meeting of February 8, 2010. On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery 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. **General Administrative Matters; Physician Assistants Advisory Committee; Personal Appearance; Peter B. Stevens, PA, Charles Walker, M.D.** Peter Boyd Stevens, PAC, Chairman, Physician Assistants Advisory Committee accompanied by Charles Walker, M.D., President, Louisiana Academy of Physician Assistants appeared before the Board to extended their appreciation to Dr. Gage-White for working with the Academy and the Advisory Committee on PA issues and expressed the desire to continue now that Dr. Gage-White was no longer on the Board. Before their dismissal, the Board thanked Dr. Walker and Mr. Stevens for appearing and stated the Board will continue consulting with them on PA issues. No further action was taken or required on his matter.
4. **Rules and Regulations; AcuDetox Specialist.** The Board reviewed correspondence received from Henri Joseph Roca, M.D., Acupuncturist, Chair, Integrative and Complementary Medicine Advisory Committee relative to the request from Laura Cooley, LAc, Registered National Acupuncture Detoxification Association ("NADA") Trainer, for amendment to the AcuDetox Specialist ("ADS") rules to increase the number allowed for MD supervision and to change the requirement that Acupuncture Assistants ("AcAs") must be certified for 2 years to supervise an ADS. Following the review and discussion, upon the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa, and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board voted to approve a rule amendment to would increase the number of ADSs an MD may supervise from 5 to 10 and to allow AcA's to supervise an ADS after certification by the Board for 1 year from the date of the application.
5. **Rules and Regulations; Personal Appearance; Patsy Jarreau, Clinical Director, Clinical Laboratory Personnel; Angela Foley, Clinical Laboratory Advisory Committee.** Patsy Jarreau, Clinical Director, Clinical Laboratory Personnel and Angela Foley, Clinical Laboratory Personnel Advisory Committee appeared before the Board as requested to explain the Committee's request for a rule change to eliminate certification examinations CLS-G/CLS-T offered by organizations, which, in the view of the Committee, do not provide the minimum acceptable educational, clinical, employment or experience requirements requisite to licensure. They outlined the requirements of the American Medical Technologists (AMT) and the American Association of Bioanalysts (AAB) as opposed to that

of the American Society of Clinical Pathologists (ASCP). Upon the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board voted to approve a rule amendment for the elimination of the CLS-G/CLS-T examinations offered by the AMT and AAB.

6. 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. A revised draft was received 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. The Board reviewed, discussed and decided to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt items (i) and (ii) in the *Louisiana Register* and with respect to item (iii) members of the Advisory Committee appeared as noted above. 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 December 2009 meeting.

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 to incorporate needed modifications noted over the course of time. Following review and discussion during its December 2009 meeting, the Board approved publication of *Notice of Intent* to adopt amendments to its rules on criminal history record information, dispensing/clinical trails, the repeal of Chapter 83 and Private Radiologic Technologists in the *Louisiana Register*. The Board also offered suggested modifications to the proposed rules on CME, which were incorporated into a revised draft that was considered and approved for *Notice of Intent* during its January 2010 meeting. The Fiscal and Economic Impact Statement has been submitted to the Legislative Fiscal Officer for approval and *Notice of Intent* to adopt each of the above set forth rule amendments is expected to appear in the March 2010 edition of the *Louisiana Register*.

Physicians and Surgeons – Unprofessional Conduct: - The Board decided to undertake a rule-making effort to identify some of the instances which may, in the Board's view, constitute unprofessional conduct, and, thereby provide a basis for enforcement of disciplinary action. An initial draft was presented and reviewed for consideration. Following review and discussion, the Board offered suggested modifications to be incorporated for further consideration.

Physicians and Surgeons – Board Certification: The Board directed staff/counsel to work on establishing and identifying criteria for Board Certification to be employed by the Board. Pursuant to this request, a draft was presented and discussed by the Board during its December 2009 and January 2010 meetings. A revised draft, incorporated suggested modifications was presented for further discussion. Following discussion, the Board decided to defer action pending the appearance of the American Association of Physician Specialties.

Physicians and Surgeons – Combined Internship/Exception to 10 year Rule: As a further technical and administrative amendment to its rules, the Board directed the development of amendments to Section 311 of its rules to: (i) provide that a combined internship program which is not accredited shall be deemed to satisfy the internship requirement for licensure, provided that each program of the combined program is accredited; and (ii) consider for licensure applicants who completed a residency or fellowship within the last four years and are continuing training or practicing in their specialty,

irrespective of whether or not the applicant passed the qualifying national examination within the past ten years as is otherwise required for applicants. The Board reviewed and discussed the technical amendment and upon the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, seconded by Dr. Robert Dawson, approved providing *Notice of Intent* to adopt the amendment in the *Louisiana Register*. **Physicians and Surgeons – Emergency Transfer of Patients:** As a further technical amendment to its rule, the Board directed the development of a rule that would exempt from licensure physicians and allied health care professionals, licensed in another state, who are part of a transport team providing emergency or other medical services to patients during transfer or transportation to or from a hospital in this state. The Board review and discussed this technical amendment, and upon the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Robert Dawson, approved providing *Notice of Intent* to adopt the amendment in the *Louisiana Register*. **Physicians and Surgeons - Reciprocity:** As a further technical and administrative amendment to its rules, the Board directed the development of amendments to Section 353 to: (i) make patent that its application of the rule limiting examination attempts (Section 387) applied equally to reciprocity applications; and (ii) allow the proposed amendment to Section 311B, e.g. those completing residency training and continuing fellowship or practicing in their specialty need not have taken the qualifying examination for licensure within the past ten years. Following review and discussion, upon the motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. Robert Dawson and unanimous passed by voice vote, the Board voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendment.

[7.] Professional Liability Report. 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 consider the report of Dr. Eisenhower, 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.] Report on Pending Litigation. 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 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.

[9.] 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. Prior to her report, Ms. Alleman introduced Jeanne M. Estes, M.D., who would be filling in for her during her maturity leave. Ms. Alleman then reported on the 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 taken on this matter.

[10.] Personal Appearances/Docket Calendar. On the motion of Dr. Montgomery, 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.

[11.] 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:

Warren David Long, Jr., M.D., Docket No., 09-I-373
Carlos Ruben Vazquez-Borrero, M.D., Docket No., 08-I-834
Aimee Sheree Pritchard, OTA, Docket No., 09-I-704
Adrian Joseph Coleman, M.D., Docket No., 08-I-775
Dennis Anderson Casey III, M.D., Docket No., 09-I-814
Benjamin Louis Leggio, M.D., Docket No., 09-I-345
Chad Christopher Frederickson, Ath, Docket No., 10-I-107

- b. Closed: The following matter was closed with no further action:

Docket No., 09-I-773

- c. Administrative Complaint: The following administrative complaint was approved for filing and scheduling of a formal hearing:

Docket No. 09-I-675

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

Docket No., 03-I-004
Docket No., 09-I-675
Docket No., 09-I-822

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

[12.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Nedra Clem Jackson, M.D., On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Nedra Clem Jackson, 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). Nedra Clem Jackson, M.D., appeared

MINUTES OF MEETING

MARCH 15, 16, 2010

before the Board in connection with the acceptance of her Consent Order. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

[13.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Warren David Long, Jr., 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 Warren David Long, Jr., 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. Long appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order.

[14.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Chad Christopher Frederickson, ATH. 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 Chad Christopher Frederickson, ATH., 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). Mr. Frederickson appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order.

[15.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Carlos Ruben Vazquez-Borrero, 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 Carlos Vazquez-Borrero, 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. Vazquez-Borrero appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order.

[16.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Aimee Sheree Pritchard, OTA. 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 Aimee Sheree Pritchard, OTA., 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). Aimee Sheree Pritchard, OTA, appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of her Consent Order.

[17.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Adrian Joseph Coleman, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Adrian Joseph Coleman, 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). Adrian Joseph Coleman, M.D., along with his attorney, William P. Gibbens, Esq., appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order.

[18.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Dennis Anderson Casey III, M.D. On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Dennis Anderson Casey III, 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). Dennis Anderson Casey III, M.D., appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order

[19.] Investigative Report; Personal Appearance; Benjamin Louis Leggio, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Benjamin Louis Leggio, 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. Leggio, accompanied by his attorney, Linda Rodrigue, appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order

[20.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Larry Gotfrey Thirstrup, 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 Larry Gotfrey Thirstrup, 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). Dr. Thirstrup appeared before the Board in connection with his request for reinstatement of his suspended license. 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 Dr. Thirstrup subject to prior approval by the Board as to terms and conditions.

[21.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Ronald Anthony Dufrene, RRT. On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Bourgeois and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Ronald Anthony Dufrene, RRT., 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). Ronald Anthony Dufrene, RRT appeared before the Board in connection with his request for reinstatement of his suspended license. Following his appearance, the Board resumed in open session and upon the motion of Dr. Robert Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved reinstatement of the license of Ronald Anthony Dufrene, RRT, on probation in accordance with the Consent Order executed January 11.2010.

[22.] 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.

MINUTES OF MEETING

MARCH 15, 16, 2010

- c. Credentialing - The Board reviewed the credentialing files for several physician assistants. Following their review it was the consensus of the Board to inform those PAs whose procedures as outlined were beyond the scope of practice for a physician assistant.
- d. Dispensing Physicians Site Visits - The Board noted the report of the dispensing physicians' site visits submitted for this month.
- e. Chappell, Rachel, PA. – To defer action on the request of Rachel Chappell, PA for approval of additional supervising physicians pending receipt of additional information.
- f. Rappelet, Case A., PA. – To defer action on the request of Case A. Rappelet, PA, pending a personal appearance before the Board.
- g. Loupe, Mark Francis, PA – To approve reinstatement of the license of Mark Francis Loupe, PA to a full, unrestricted status with prescriptive authority.
- h. Crear-Perry, Joia, M.D. – To advise Joia Crear-Perry, M.D., of the terms of her Order was to assess an additional \$3,000 fine along with the cost of the proceeding.
- i. Kennedy, Kathryn Kay, M.D. – To approve the reinstatement of Kathryn Kay Kennedy, M.D., to prescribe specific Schedule IV and V controlled substances.
- j. Nourallah, Abdel Naser, M.D. – To reaffirm the Board's decision to deny the request of Abdel Naser Nourallah, M.D., for reinstatement of his revoked license.
- k. Correa, Amilcar, J.E., M.D. – To grant the request of Amilcar J.E. Correa, M.D., to change the status of his license as it appears on the Board's webpage to "prior Board action".

[23.] Personal Appearances/Docket Calendar; Formal Hearing; James Barrett Day, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Robert Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa, the Board convened in executive session for review and discussion of the formal hearing in the matter of James Barrett Day, M.D., as a matter relating to allegations of misconduct in an administrative hearing as provided by the legislature in the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, La. Rev. Stat. § 42:6.1 A(4) and (10) and La.Rev. Stat. 49:951, *et. Seq.* Following the discussion, the Board resumed in open session and upon the motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery, and passed by unanimous voice vote, rendered a decision in the matter of James Barrett Day, M.D., and instructed Judge Ellis to prepare a written opinion and order to reflect the ruling.

24. General Administrative Matters; Financial Reports.

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

MINUTES OF MEETING

MARCH 15, 16, 2010

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

25. General Administrative Matters; President's Report. The Board noted the activities of the Vice-President since the last meeting of the Board. No further action was required or taken on this matter..

26. 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 for 18 months. He further reported that estimates had been received from general contractors for the renovation and stated the Board may need to scale down the project due to costs.

27. General Administrative Matters; 2010 Legislation; Proposed Amendments to the Medical Practice Act/Other Laws; Follow-up. Dr. Marier provided follow-up information on the several amendments to the Medical Practice Act and other laws bearing on the duties and functions of the Board. No further action was taken or required on this matter.

28. General Administrative Matters; Physician Assistants Advisory Committee. The Board reviewed correspondence received from the Physician Assistants Advisory Committee regarding disciplinary actions taken by the Board. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to advise the Committee it would take their comments under advisement.

[29.] Licensure and Certification; Clinical Laboratory Personnel. On the motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery 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

Broussard, Angela Gussie

Laboratory Assistant

Wilson, John Montgomery

Generalists

Hollis, Amanda Kate

O'Bryan, Nicholas Shaun

MINUTES OF MEETING

MARCH 15, 16, 2010

[30.] 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 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:

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Brooks, Kristen Adcock

Occupational Therapist

Webre, Chase Mitchell

[31.] 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. Jeffery Baker, Jeffrey Kuo, Richard Vinroot, Jr., Erik Sundell, Armando Hevia, III, Brian Porche, Patrick Dennis and Rebecca Hutchings, Ochsner Clinic Foundation, Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery, 1514 Jefferson Highway, New Orleans.
 - 2) Breaux, Andree Celeste, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Gary Burton, 1501 Kings Highway, Hematology/Oncology Department, Shreveport.
 - 3) Carbo, Mark Allen, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Nicola Corbett, Orthopedic & Sports Medicine Specialists, 224 Pecan Park, Alexandria.
 - 4) Fudickar, John Alanson, PA – Supervising physicians: Drs. Gordon Clark and Christopher Swearingen, 3333 Drusilla Lane, Baton Rouge.
 - 5) Furr, Charles Allen III, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Benson Grigsby, Northwood Medical Center, 2916 North Trenton Street, Ruston.
 - 6) Johnson, Charles Monty, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Nicola Corbett, 224

MINUTES OF MEETING

MARCH 15, 16, 2010

Pecan Park Avenue, Alexandria.

7) Johnson, Megan O'Dell, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Amit Ahuja, 2552 Greenwood Road, Suite 350, Shreveport.

8) McCurdy, Benjamin Scott, PA - Supervising physicians: Drs. Christopher Rich, Mark Dodson, Charles Texada, Louis Perdue, Benjamin Drury, Michael Brunet, Michael Leddy, III, and William Crenshaw, Christis St. Francis Cabrini Hospital, 3330 Masonic Drive, Alexandria.

9) McIntosh, Michael Joseph, PA - Supervising physicians: Drs. David Melton, Ronald Coe, Robert Limbaugh III, Christiane Eisele, Monte Thames, Jr., 7153 Government, Baton Rouge.

10) Menard, Jennifer JoAnne, PA – Supervising physician: Dr. William Brennan, Neurosurgical Solutions of Lafayette, LLC, 4212 West Congress Street, Suite 3500, Lafayette.

11) Pagoulato, Dimitri Nicholas, PA – Supervising physicians: Drs. Jon Cuba, Christopher Ferguson, Todd Howell, William Collier, Jr., Si Nguyen, Munir Khalid-Abasi, James Runnels and Lisa Baldrige, Ochsner, Emergency Department, 17000 Medical Center Boulevard, Baton Rouge.

12) Ricks, Kevin Mark, PA – Supervising physician: Dr. Christian Fauria, 1978 Industrial Boulevard, Houma.

13) Scheuermann, Jennifer Barrett, PA – Supervising physician: Dr. Brian Bahman Borg, Ochsner Clinic Foundation, 1514 Jefferson Highway, New Orleans

14) Self, Charles Edward, PA – Supervising physician: Dr. James Belue, The Boersma Clinic, LLC, 765 S. Bonner Street, Ruston.

15) Thomas, Michael James, 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 Najberg, Robert Link, Erik Sundell, Christiane Eisele, Farrell Johnson, Stephen Waldo, Richard McConnell, Patrick McNulty, Armando Hevia III, Rebecca Hutchings, Richard Vinroot, Jr., Brian Porche, Patrick Dennis, Jeffrey Kuo and Jeffery Baker, 1516 Jefferson Highway, New Orleans.

16) Verdun, Shawna Nikia, PA – Supervising physicians: Drs. Robert Limbaugh, Joseph Thomas, Jr., David Melton, Pamela Payment, Christiane Eisele, Ronald Coe, Monte Thames, Jr., Beverly Ann Gladney and Jason Madatic.

17) Wilbon, Miriam Jyonne, PA – Supervising physicians: Drs. Gordon Clark and

MINUTES OF MEETING

MARCH 15, 16, 2010

Christopher Swearingen, 3333 Drusilla Lane, Suite B, Baton Rouge.

18) Wittenmyer, Elizabeth Renee, PA – Supervising physician: Dr. Cher Aymond, 118 N. Hospital Drive, Abbeville.

b. Bergeron, Louis Chad, PA – To inform Louis Chad Bergeron, PA, that he is ineligible for prescriptive authority due to disciplinary action.

[32.] 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 Technologist

Gomez, John Emile, Jr.

[33.] 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

Bryan, Gregory Wade
Jo, Jeannie Yun-Jin

Sheriff, Mary T.
Sobiesk, George Adalbert

Podiatrist – Non-Routine
Ray, George Edward Jr.

[34.] Licensure and Certification; Respiratory Therapy. On motion of Dr. Robert Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Bourgeois 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:

Bonano, Chad Michael

Thomas, Belinda Fay

MINUTES OF MEETING

MARCH 15, 16, 2010

Richardson, Marvin G.

[35.] Licensure and Certification; Medical Psychologists/Advance Practice. 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 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:

Medical Psychologists

Blevins, Howard, P. Ph.D.
Bonin, Renee Babin, Ph.D.

Duhe, Kristin, Ph.D.
Whiteman, Felicia, Ph.D.

Medical Psychology – Advanced Practice

Adams, Carla C., Ph.D.
Berard, Michael, Ph.D.
Dammers, Paul, Ph.D.
Levy, Judith, Ph.D.

McCormick, Bruce, Ph.D.
Rostow, Cary, Ph.D.
Zimmerman, Marc, Ph.D.

[36.] 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

Baudoin, Bryan Edward, DO

[37.] 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. Anyakora, Peter Afam, Jr., M.D. – To inform Peter Afam Anyakora, Jr., M.D. that he must take the SPEX examination, certification or re-certification specialty examination to be eligible for licensure in Louisiana.

MINUTES OF MEETING

MARCH 15, 16, 2010

b. Banerjee, Suman K., M.D. – To deny the request of Suman K. Banerjee, M.D. for a waiver of a USMLE, Step 3 examination attempt.

c. Menendez, Moises, M.D. – To inform Moises Menendez, M.D., that he is ineligible for licensure due to manner in which he obtained the examination scores on the FLEX examination for licensure.

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

Elias, Eric Paul
Desai, Sapna V.

Krukas, Anatole B.
Samson, Jacob Stephen

[38.] 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. Paralitici, Raul Edgardo, M.D. – To defer action on the application of Raul Edgardo Paralitici, M.D., pending receipt of additional information.

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

Bahadorani, John Nader
Brawner, John Clifton
Chapman, J. Foster, DO
Fisher, Julian H.

Frede, James R.
Freeland, Kristofer
Groover, Donna F.
Occhipinti, Kaitlin Elizabeth

[39.] 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, made the following decisions:

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

Clinical Laboratory Personnel

MINUTES OF MEETING

MARCH 15, 16, 2010

Brown, Rhoda Marie
Hatcher, Wanda Darlene

Martes, Nicole L.
Trichel, Neil Martin

Respiratory Therapists

Bower, Charles Henry
Forrest, Paul Joseph

Traweek, Darryl Wayne

Polysomnographer

Foor, Kristen O.

b. Deferred – To defer action on the application of the following pending a personal appearance before Dr. Robert Dawson:

Louis, Stephen Donald

[40.] 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:

Gadallah, Yousri E., M.D.

German, Robert E., M.D.

41. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Short-Term Residency Training Program; Tulane University. The Board reviewed the request for approval of a short-term residency training program from Ramesh S. Ayyala, M.D, MPH, Director, Residency Program, Tulane University, Department of Ophthalmology. The purpose of the course is to help student to make a career choice and to teach residents how to perform a basic eye examination, diagnose and treat eye problems and to recognize when a referral is warranted. Following review and discussion, upon motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Bourgeois and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the short-term residency training program in ophthalmology.

42. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Board Orientation. The Board reviewed the evaluations submitted on the Board Orientation Program held February 26, 2010 in Baton Rouge. No further action was taken or required on this matter.

43. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Licensees for Suspension. The

MINUTES OF MEETING

MARCH 15, 16, 2010

Board reviewed the list of licensees, who had failed to renew their licenses by January 31, 2010. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

44. General Administrative Matters; Vice-President's Report; Election of Officers. The Vice-President called for the election of officers. On the motion of Dr. Robert Dawson, seconded by Dr. Amusa, Dr. Mark Dawson was nominated for the office of President. There being no further nominations and the nominations duly closed, Dr. Mark Dawson was elected President of the Board by acclamation. Upon opening the nominations for the office of Vice-President, Dr. Mark Dawson moved and Dr. Burdine seconded, Dr. LeBlanc was nominated for the office of Vice-President. On the motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Bourgeois, Dr. Robert Dawson was nominated for the office of Vice-President. There being no further nominations and the nominations duly closed, by majority vote, Dr. Robert Dawson was elected Vice-President. Upon opening the nominations for the office of Secretary-Treasurer, upon the motion of Dr. Robert Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa, Dr. Melvin Bourgeois was nominated for the office of Secretary-Treasurer. There being no further nominations, and the nominations duly closed, Dr. Bourgeois was elected Secretary-Treasurer by acclamation. Following a brief discussion, upon the motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, it was decided that the newly elected officers would take office at the conclusion of the March 2010 meeting.

Upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the meeting adjourned at 5:30 to reconvene at the Board at 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, March 16, 2010.

***Second Session
Tuesday, March 16, 2010***

The meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners was reconvened at 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, March 16, 2010, at the offices of the Board with everyone in attendance except for Drs. Mark Dawson, Kim Edward LeBlanc and Robert Earl Dawson.

[45.] Personal Appearances/Docket Calendar; Formal Hearing; Randy Wayne Head, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session for the purpose of a formal hearing in the matter of Randy Wayne Head, 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(4) 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*

46. Next Meeting of Board. The President reminded members that the next meeting of the Board was scheduled for May 17, 18, 2010 at the temporary offices of the Board, 1515 Poydras Street, Suite 2700.

Upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the meeting

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

MINUTES OF MEETING

MARCH 15, 16, 2010

adjourned at 2:30 p.m., on Tuesday, March 16, 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 March 15, 16, 2010 as approved by the Board on the 17th day of May 2010.

Witness my hand and seal of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners this 17th day of May 2010.

Melvin G. Bourgeois, M.D.
Secretary-Treasurer

Attest:

Mark Henry Dawson, M.D.
President