

**THE LOUISIANA STATE  
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

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**MINUTES  
OF  
MEETING**

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**APRIL 16, 2012  
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA**

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A meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, pursuant to lawful notice, was duly convened and called to order at 8:30 a.m., Monday, April 16, 2012, by order of the President, at the offices of the Board, 630 Camp Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Board Members were present as follows:

Melvin G. Bourgeois, M.D., President  
Kim Edward LeBlanc, M.D., Ph.D., Vice-President  
Kweli J. Amusa, M.D., Secretary-Treasurer  
John Michael Burdine, M.D.  
Cynthia Gail Montgomery, M.D.  
Lehrue Stevens, M.D.

Board Member absent as follows:

Mark Henry 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 Supervisor  
Leslie Rye, 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  
Philip O. Bergeron

1. **General Administrative Matters; Charles Fleetwood, Head of Security.** The Board observed a moment of silence for Charles Fleetwood, Head of Security for the Board who passed away on April 9, 2012.
2. **Minutes of March 19, 2012 Meeting.** The Board reviewed the minutes of its meeting held March 19, 2012. On the motion of Dr. Amusa duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc 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.
3. **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.
4. **Rules and Regulations.**
  - a. Final Rules/Amendments: - None published since the last meeting of the Board.
  - b. Rules/Amendments – Noticed for Intent. **Physician Assistants** – A draft of proposed amendments concerning scope of practice issues relating to physician assistants 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. At that time, 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 met with 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 draft further. A revised draft was presented for consideration at its October 2010 meeting. Following review and discussion, suggested modifications were sent to the PA Advisory Committee for review and during its December 2010 meeting, the Advisory Committee and other interested parties expressed concerns about the revised draft. Following discussion, the Board suggested additional modifications and at the suggestion of the PA Advisory Committee authorized a meeting with members of the Louisiana State Medical Society, the Louisiana Academy of Physician Assistants and the PA Advisory Committee to discuss final modifications. The Board noted receipt of various comments regarding the proposed rule modifications. Modified drafts were considered at the February and March 2011 meetings along with the input from the PA Advisory Committee and the Louisiana Academy of Physician Assistants. Following further consideration at its April 2011 meeting, the Board voted to publish *Notice of Intent* to adopt the proposed amendments to its PA rules. The *Notice of Intent* with respect to the rule amendments appeared in the July 2011 edition of the

*Louisiana Register* with a public hearing held August 29, 2011. Following a review of all comments, the Board determined at its October 2011 meeting to make certain substantive changes to the proposed rule amendments and directed that a revised draft be prepared for consideration. A revised draft incorporating the Board's suggestions was considered by the Board at its December 2011 meeting. Following review and discussion of the revised rule amendments, the Board approved publication of *Notice of Intent* to adopt the revised rules and notice of a public hearing to obtain comments. In accordance with R.S. 49:968(H)(2), notice of proposed changes appeared in the December 2011 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. A public hearing was held on January 24, 2012. Representatives of the Board's Physician Assistant Advisory Committee and the Louisiana Academy of Physician Assistants appeared at the hearing and expressed support for the proposed amendments, as modified by the proposed substantive changes. No one appeared to voice concerns or express opposition. At its February 2012 meeting, the Board considered the comments and decided to promulgate the amendments with the changes previously noticed for final adoption in the *Louisiana Register*. The Board reviewed the Report to the Legislature on the proposed rule amendments and upon the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved submission of the Report to the Legislative Oversight Committees and promulgation of the rules for final adoption in the *Louisiana Register*.

**Clinical Laboratory Personnel** - – By rule amendments promulgated in February 2011, but effective June 30, 2012 (*LR, Vol. 37, No. 2, pp. 597-598*), the Board amended the CLP rules to revise the list of certifying organizations for new applicants for CLP scientist-generalists and technicians (3509A and 3509C) by deleting several organizations. The effect of the amendments is that the certifying examination accepted for licensure as a CLP generalist or technician after June 30, 2011, is the American Society of Clinical Pathology (ASCP). During its April 2011 meeting, the Board considered petitions to repeal the rule and decided to delay implementation of the amendments to Section 3509A and 3509B for one-year (until June 30, 2012) in order to further confer with stake holders and consider the issues. In the interim, the certifying organizations accepted under the Board's current rules will continue to be recognized. The *Notice of Intent* appeared in the May 20, 2011 edition of the *Louisiana Register* and they became final upon promulgation in the August 20, 2011 edition. At its December 2011 meeting, the Board decided to withdraw the prior amendments to Subsection 3509 A and 3509C that were promulgated in February 2011 and to reform the list of currently recognized certifying organizations to reflect those which have merged or no longer exist. The effect of the proposed amendments is that each of the certifying organizations that were accepted by the Board for CLP generalist and technician applicants for licensure prior to adoption of the previous rule change in February 2011 i.e., the ASCP, the American Medical Technologists (AMT) and the American Association of Bioanalysts (AA) will continue to be recognized by the Board. *Notice of Intent* to withdraw the prior rule change appeared in the January 2012 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. Further proceedings will be in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act. In addition, the Board decided to point out several concerns to its legislative oversight committees with the CLP Act in its current form. These include the requirement for supervision of

technicians when such is no longer required by CLIA, clarification of the intent of the act with respect to certain educational requirements, changing the terms used for both categories of licensure in favor of terms that are widely used in the profession – “MLS” and “MLT” for CLS-G and CLS-T, respectively – and requiring that all certifying examinations be psychometrically validated.

c. **Rules/Amendments Under Development –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. This rule effort is being deferred pending clarification of statutory issues. **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. A revised draft was presented to the Advisory Committee for review and comment, and was approved, with suggested modifications during the Committee’s meeting on September 16, 2011. During its October 2011 meeting, the proposed rules were presented to the Board along with the Committee’s suggestions for initial review and discussion. Following discussion, the Board proposed modifications to the draft and asked that a revised draft be presented at its next meeting. Following the meeting, the Board received from two national organizations nearly the identical suggestions as those of the Committee’s. The Board reviewed the revised draft of proposed rule amendments along with the suggestions from the organizations. Following review and discussion at its December 2011 meeting, the Board approved a response to the committee and organizations, along with a revised draft of the rules that incorporate the suggestions of its staff as well as the committee and organizations to the extent the Board found them acceptable and voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendments. **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 and decided to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the proposed rules in the *Louisiana Register*. **Physicians and Surgeons – Office-Based Surgery**: The Board considered suggestions for amendment to its office-based surgery rules and instructed staff/counsel to prepare proposed modifications of its rules to address the issues. The initial draft of the proposed rule amendments were presented during its March meeting for consideration. Further discussion was given to the matter during the April, May and June 2011 meetings. A revised draft incorporating the suggested changes was considered by the Board during its August 2011 meeting, following which the Board voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the proposed rules in the *Louisiana Register*. **Physicians and Surgeons – Late Renewal**: During its July 2011 meeting, the Board requested that proposed amendments to its physician rules be prepared to reduce the

penalty charged for physician late renewal during the first ninety (90) days. An initial set of a draft amendments were presented for the Board's consideration at its August 2011 meeting. During the March 2012 meeting, the Board discussed the impact of penalty charge for late physician renewal and decided to enforce the late penalty fee after thirty (30) days and to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the proposed rules amendments in the *Louisiana Register*. **Physician Assistants – Legend and Controlled Substance Authority**: The Board requested that amendments to Section 1521A.2 and C.5 of its PA rules be prepared for its consideration to: remove the exclusion of legend drug authority for a PA whose license had been restricted; and to revise the controlled substance exclusion of a PA whose license was placed on probation or restriction. The Board reviewed the draft set of amendments at its October 2011 meeting and suggested additional modifications to be incorporated and presented in a subsequent draft. At its December 2011 meeting, the Board reviewed the revised draft and voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendments in the next issue of the *Louisiana Register*.

**[5.] 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. § 42:17A(2). No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**[6.] Personal Appearances/Docket Calendar.** On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine, 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. 42:17 A(1), (4). No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**[7.] Investigative Reports.** On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine, the Board convened in executive session to consider the investigative reports as matters relating to the character and professional conduct of a licensee, and allegations of misconduct, La. Rev. Stat. §42:17A(1) and (4). Following review and discussion 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:

Amanda R. Huston, CRT, Docket No., 11-I-748  
Gene Joseph Neal, Jr., LRT, Docket No., 12-I-194  
Kevin Wayne Young, M.D., Docket No., 03-I-022  
Kimberly J. Bush, CLP, Docket No., 11-I-926  
Charles Nathan Nossier, OTA, Docket No., 12-I-001

b. **Closed**: The following matter was closed/discontinued:

Docket No., 12-I-144

- c. Closed: The following matters were closed/discontinued with a Letter of Concern:

Docket No., 10-I-593

Docket No., 11-I-824

Docket No., 10-I-721

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

- e. Interim Actions: The Board noted the Interim Actions that had been handled by the President:

Docket No., 12-I-270

Docket No., 11-I-938

Docket No., 11-I-241

**[8.] Professional Liability Report.** On the motion of Dr. Stevens, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine 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. § 42:17A(1) and (4). No further action was required or taken on these matters.

**[9.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Richard Edward Sabatier, M.D.** On the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Stevens and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Richard Edward Sabatier, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Sabatier appeared before the Board in connection with the request for reinstatement of his license to a full, unrestricted status. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session and upon the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, voted to deny the request of Dr. Sabatier for reinstatement to his license to a full, unrestricted status.

## **10. General Administrative Matters; Financial Reports.**

Financial Statement - The Board reviewed a statement on the revenue and expenses for the period ending January 31, 2012 and approved all expenditures as noted therein. The Board also reviewed the status of investments as of January 31, 2012. The Board also reviewed a balance sheet and income statement for Clinical Laboratory Personnel for the period ending January 31, 2012 and approved all expenditures as noted therein. The Board also reviewed the status of investments for Clinical Laboratory Personnel as of January 31, 2012.

**11. General Administrative Matters; President's Report.** The President reported on his activities since the last meeting of the Board. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**12. General Administrative Matters; Executive Director's Report.** The Board received the report of its Executive Director on his activities since the last meeting of the Board. Dr. Marier presented Cindy Knecht, Human Resource Officer and the Accounting Department with plagues expressing the Board's appreciation for their excellence service in the respective roles. He also provided the Board with an update on the renovation project and legislation impacting the Board.

**13. General Administrative Matters; Committee - Commercial Application of Stem Cell Therapies.** The Board reviewed the list of nominees to serve on the Committee, Commercial Application of Stem Cell Therapies. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to authorize Drs. Marier and Mouton to make the appointments to the Committee.

**[14.] Physicians Health Program.** On the motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Stevens 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 ("PHP") on the participants 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.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Ms. Alleman also presented the 2011 Annual Report on the activities of the PHP.

**[15.] Investigative Matters; Personal Appearance; Bruce Joseph Iteld, M.D.** On the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Bruce Joseph Iteld, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Iteld appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**[16.] Investigative Matters; Personal Appearance; Kevin Wayne Young, 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 Kevin Wayne Young, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Young appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Superseding Consent Order for Issuance of Institutional Training Permit. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**[17.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; James Maddock McCarthy, Jr., M.D.** On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Stevens and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of James

Maddock McCarthy, Jr., M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat. § 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. McCarthy appeared before the Board in connection with his request for reinstatement of his license to a full, unrestricted status, off probation. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session and upon the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved reinstating the license of James Maddock McCarthy, M.D. to a full, unrestricted status.

**[18.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; David Howard Lester Dunn, 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 David Howard Lester Dunn, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat. § 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Dunn appeared before the Board in connection with his request for reinstatement of his license to a full, unrestricted status, to include his prescribing privileges, off probation. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session and upon the motion of Dr. Stevens, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved reinstating the license of David Howard Lester Dunn, M.D. to a full, unrestricted status, off probation, to include his prescribing privileges.

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

**[20.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Brian Allan Heise, 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 Brian Allan Heise, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat. § 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Heise, accompanied by Ajsa Nikolic, M.D., appeared before the Board in connection with his request for early reinstatement of his license to a full, unrestricted, status, off probation. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session and upon the motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, denied the request of Dr. Heise.

**[21.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Denardo D. Dunham, DPM.** On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Denardo D. Dunham, DPM, as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of



misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat. § 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Dunham 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 the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved reinstatement of the license of Denardo D. Dunham, DPM, in accordance with the Consent Order executive October 17, 2011.

**[22.] General Disciplinary Matters.** On the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa, the Board convened in executive session to consider the report on site visits and 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. §42:17A(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. Collaborative Practice Report – To approve the requests of the following for additional supervising physicians:

Baker, Kathryn Regan

- b. Foss, Jeffrey Frank, M.D. – Following review of the Supplemental Motion dated March 14, 2012, to Withdraw Acknowledgement and Consent Order filed by Jeffrey Frank Foss, M.D., to re-affirm the Board's decision to deny the request of Jeffrey Frank Foss, M.D.

- c. Genovese, Charles Raymond, M.D. – To defer action on the request of Charles Raymond Genovese, M.D., for reinstatement of his prescribing privileges pending his personal appearance at the June 2012 meeting.<sup>1</sup>

- d. Hoeldtke, Robert D., M.D., Ph.D. – To approve the request of Robert D. Hoeldtke, M.D., Ph.D., for reinstatement of the license to a full, unrestricted status, off probation.

- e. Ford, Robin Kathleen, DO – To deny the request of Robin Kathleen Ford, DO, for reinstatement of her prescribing privileges.

- f. Norris, Letatia, PA – To deny the request of Letatia Norris, PA, for reinstatement of her suspended license.

**[23.] Personal Appearances/Docket Calendar; Formal Hearing; Peter H. Hertzak, M.D.** On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board reconvened in executive session for conclusion of the formal hearing in the matter of Peter H. Hertzak, M.D., as a matter relating to allegations of misconduct and La.Rev.Stat. § 42:17A(4) and (10), and conduction of an administrative hearing as provided by

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<sup>1</sup> Dr. Bourgeois recused himself from participation in the discussion of this matter.

the legislature in the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act., La.Rev.Stat.49:951, et.Seq. Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and on the motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc, the Board rendered a decision in the matter of Peter H. Hertzak, M.D., and instructed Judge Ellis to prepare a written opinion and order to reflect the ruling.

**24. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Medical Review Officers.** The Board reviewed correspondence received from Robert Bourgeois, M.D., posing various questions relative to medical review officers and medical oxygen. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to defer action on this matter pending further research.

**25. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Occupational Therapy; Insurance Claims.** The Board reviewed correspondence received from John Toben Guillory, LOTR, Guillory's Therapy Clinic, requesting an opinion from the Board relating to Worker's Compensation and/or private pay insurance claims. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to inform Mr. Guillory that insurance determination is not within the jurisdiction of the Board.

**26. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Physician Assistant; Scope of Practice; Insertion of Femoral Catheters; Follow-up.** The Board reviewed correspondence received from Kathleen M. Degeyter, RHIA, CPMSM, Director/Medical Staff Services, Lafayette General Medical Center, seeking clarification as to whether the insertion of femoral catheters is within the scope of practice of a physician assistant. In follow-up to the opinion expressed in January 2012, that it was the opinion of the Board that a PA has to possess the required education and training to perform this procedure and inasmuch as this particular PA did not, as indicated in the correspondence, she would not be allowed to insert femoral catheters, the Board added that the PA may be trained under the personal supervision, i.e., where the supervising physician is physically present and providing the training and retains full responsibility to the patient for the proper performance of the procedure, and that following demonstration of proficiency and upon approval of the medical staff, the PA could then be credentialed to provide this particular service in conformity with the Board's rules, under the level of supervision which the supervising physician deemed appropriate to the risk of the patient and potential for complications.

**27. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Midwifery; VBAC Approval.** The Board reviewed the request of Sarah Landry for approval of a VBAC delivery in accordance with the Board's rules. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to inform Ms. Landry that upon receipt of verification from Darryl Robinson, M.D., that she is not at risk, the Board would approve her VBAC delivery.

**[28.] Licensure and Certification; Clinical Laboratory Personnel.** On the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Stevens 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. 42:17A(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:

Phlebotomists

Mayfield, Floyd

Laboratory Assistant

Arkansas, Bradley Charles

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

Griffith, Nicole

**[29.] Licensure and Certification; Occupational Therapy.** On motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Stevens 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. 42:17A(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 has been met:

Occupational Therapy Assistants

Hires, Susan Cathleen

Travelled, Michael Pierce

**[30.] Licensure and Certification; Respiratory Therapy.** On motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine 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. 42:17A(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:

O'Brian, Alicia Triplet

**[31.] Licensure and Certification; Physician Assistant.** 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. 42:17A(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:

Physician Assistant

Crockford, Elise Kayser

**[32.] Licensure and Certification; Physicians & Surgeons; Foreign Medical Graduates.**

On motion of Dr. Burdine, 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. 42:17A(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 non-routine applications for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Sundaresh, Vishnu

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

On motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine 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. 42:17A(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:

Adams, Jason Andrew  
Freeland, Kristofer T.

Gitter, Richard  
Schwartz, Jay Harris

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

On motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Stevens 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. 42:17A(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

Johnson, August III

**[35.] Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Relicensure/Reinstatement.**

On motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine 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. 42:17A(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 reinstatement/relicensure provided all requirements had been met:

Physician and Surgeons

Goddard, Jerry Lynn

**[36.] Licensure and Certification; Medical Psychologist; Advanced Practice.**

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 application for advanced-practice as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(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 application for medical psychology-advanced practice:

Sesta, Joseph J., PhD

**[37.] Licensure and Certification; Intern/Examination Registration.**

On motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Stevens and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the application 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. 42:17A(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 issuance of an intern/examination registration for the following provided all other requirements had been met:

U.S. Medical Graduate

Bergeron, Beau M.  
Cullom, Christopher James  
Douget, Sara Beth  
Dunbar, Ross Mattox  
Johnson, Daniel Hartman  
LeFort, Guy James

Lofton, Elise Claire  
Mackey, Dane Gallmann  
Owens, Robert Patrick  
Prabhakar, Amit  
Remedois, Paul Sabastian  
Volpi-Abadie, Jacqueline M.

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

Ravussin, Jeremy

**38. Licensure and Certification; Polysomnography.** 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 request of the following for an extension of a temporary permit as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, denied the request of the following for an extension of a temporary permit:

Perry, Delonsaletta I.

**39. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Licensees for Suspension.** The Board reviewed the list of licensees, who had failed to renew their licenses by March 31, 2012. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**40. Next Meeting of Board.** The President reminded members that the next meeting of the Board was scheduled for May 21, 22, 2012.

**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 April 16, 2012 as approved by the Board on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2012.

Witness my hand and seal of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners this 21<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2012.

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Kweli J. Amusa, M.D.  
Secretary-Treasurer

Attest:

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Melvin G. Bourgeois, M.D.  
President