THE LOUISIANA STATE
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

MINUTES
OF
MEETING

JUNE 17, 2013
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

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, June 17, 2013, 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
Kweli J. Amusa, M.D., Secretary-Treasurer
John Michael Burdine, M.D.
Joseph D. Busby, Jr., M.D.
Mark Henry Dawson, M.D.
Kenneth Barton Farris, 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 Supervisor
Christine Holder, Program Compliance Officer III
Lilly Rodgers, Administrative Program Specialist A
Merian Glasper, Director of Licensure
Rita L. Arceneaux, Executive Assistant

Legal counsel to the Board was present as follows:

Judge Frederick S. Ellis
Philip O. Bergeron
1. **Minutes of May 20, 2013 Meeting.** The Board reviewed the minutes of its meeting held May 20, 2013. On the motion of Dr. Montgomery duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the minutes of the meetings 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.

3. **Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Louisiana Medicaid Take Charge Program ("LAMTCP"); Responsibility for Emergency Room Treatment.** The Board reviewed electronic correspondence received from Adrienne L. Ganucheau, Sullivan Stolier Knight LC asking if physicians, who are providers in the LAMTCP, are responsible for treatment of these patients in the emergency room setting. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to advise Ms. Ganucheau that under the Medical Practice Act the Board is authorized to take action against a physician who refused to see or make alternative arrangements for coverage of his/her patient, e.g., unprofessional conduct, patient abandonment, etc, but at the same time there is nothing in the Act that would prevent a physician from limiting the physician-patient relationship to those services provided by the Program as long as the patient had been duly informed and the need for emergent care is unrelated to family planning services that were provided.

4. **Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Statement of Position, Use of Medical Laser and Chemical Skin Treatment; Performance of History and Physical, Diagnosis.** The Board reviewed electronic correspondence received from Tara S. Bourgeois, Mang, Bourgeois, LLC, requesting an opinion from the Board on who is responsible for the history and physical, diagnosis, etc., for aesthetic procedures in light of the Board’s Statement of Position ("SOP") on the Use of Medical Laser and Chemical Skin Treatment and the Declaratory Statement rendered by the Board of Nursing on the same subject. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of Board to inform Ms. Bourgeois that the Board is considering whether a modification to its SOP is warranted, but in the interim the Board’s position remains as contained in its SOP.

5. **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:** **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. **Polysomnography** - The Board received a proposed draft of new rules for polysomnographers from its Advisory Committee on Polysomnography. Following modification, a revised draft was presented.
to the Advisory Committee for review and comment. The draft 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 certain modifications to the draft and asked that a revised draft be presented at its next meeting. The Board subsequently received from two national organizations nearly the identical suggestions as those of the Committee’s. 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 incorporated 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. Following changes to the law during the 2012 session of the Legislature and the input of the Polysomnography Advisory Committee, the Board reviewed a revised draft of rules for consideration during its April and May 2013 meetings. During the June 2013, the Board noted that the Respiratory Therapy Advisory Committee had no objection to the draft rules in that an exemption had been carved out for licensed respiratory therapists. The Board reviewed the changes to the law with respect to polysomnography technician permits. Following review and discussion, on the motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Farris, the Board voted to notify current permit holders that their permit would not be renewed, unless in compliance with the law; to advise initial applicants they have twelve (12) months to take the entry level examination and beginning in 2017 to advise polysomnography technician applicants that in order to be eligible for a permit they must be in an accredited program and scheduled to take the exam within 6 months. **Physicians and Surgeons – Office-Based Surgery:** The Board considered suggestions for amendment to its office-based surgery rules. A revised draft incorporating the suggested changes was considered by the Board, and following review, discussion and further suggestions, the Board voted to provide Notice of Intent to adopt the proposed rules in the *Louisiana Register*. **Midwifery:** Given changes to the Louisiana Midwifery Practice Act during the 2012 session of the Legislature, staff anticipates presenting revisions to its existing rules in due course for the Board’s consideration and discussion. **Physicians and Surgeons- Collaborative Drug Therapy Management (“CDTM”):** During the August 2012 meeting, the Board discussed the concept of certain potential amendments to the existing rules which were jointly promulgated with the Board of Pharmacy in 2007. Following review and discussion, the Board expressed a willingness to consider a draft of the proposed suggestions in due course. Following discussions with a representative from the Board of Pharmacy, a draft detailing proposed amendments to the CDTM rules was submitted to the Board for consideration at its April 2013 meeting. Further review and discussion was considered by the Board during its May 2013 meeting and it was the consensus of the Board to seek input from the Louisiana State Medical Society (“LSMS”). During the June 2013 meeting, the Board reviewed the comments offered by the LSMS on the proposed rules. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to thank the LSMS for its comments and inform them that substantive changes to rules were under consideration. **Physicians and Surgeons – Licensure:** The Board expressed a desire to consider
alternatives to the requirement for passage of the SPEX/CONVEX-USA for those who had taken and passed a written medical competence examination more than 10 years prior to the date of application. A draft was considered by the Board at its December 2012 meeting. Following review and discussion of various options at its January and February 2013 meetings, the Board made additional recommendations. Following review and discussion of a revised draft incorporating the suggested changes at the March 2013 meeting, the Board voted to provide Notice of Intent to adopt the proposed amendments in the Louisiana Register. **Physicians and Surgeons – Out of State Physician Orders:** Pursuant to Act 44 of the 2011 session of the Louisiana Legislature, rules are being developed to accommodate out-of-state physicians (those licensed in any state other than Louisiana) who order routine diagnostic testing for established patients in this state provided: the physician-patient relationship was initiated through an in-person, face-to-face visit with the physician in another state; the order can be verified; and the results of all testing are provided directly to the ordering out-of-state physician. The Board considered and discussed an initial draft of the proposed rules at its December 2012 meeting. Following review, several modifications were made and incorporated in a subsequent draft reviewed by the Board at its January 2013 meeting. Further review and discussion at the March 2013, the Board voted to provide Notice of Intent to adopt the rule amendments in the Louisiana Register. **Occupational Therapy:** The Board received a request to consider alternatives to the limit on the number of examination attempts currently permitted by its rules for licensure as an occupational therapist. Following discussion, the Board requested that a draft be prepared for its review. A draft was presented for initial Board consideration at the December 2012 meeting. The Board further considered the issue at its January and February 2013 meetings and requested a revised draft be returned to the March 2013 meeting. Following further review and discussion at the March 2013 meeting, the Board voted to provide Notice of Intent to adopt the amendments. **Physicians and Surgeons – Dispensing:** During its February 2013 meeting, the Board gave further consideration to a request to provide for a dispensing registration for non-controlled substances following a physician’s successful completion of a graduate medical education training program and passage of an online or other Board offered course on its dispensing rules. Following review and discussion of a draft amendment to Section .6513 of its dispensing rules at its March 2013 meeting, the Board voted to provide Notice of Intent to adopt the rule amendment. **Physicians and Surgeons – Unprofessional Conduct:** During its April 2013 meeting, the Board expressed a desire to consider the development of rules correlating a physician representing himself/herself as a specialist in a particular field of practice without appropriate formal training. Pursuant to the Board’s directions, a draft of such rules will be prepared in due course for the Board’s consideration.

6. **General Administrative Matters; John B. Bobear, M.D.; Charles R. Fleetwood.** John B. Bobear, M.D., and the late Charles R. Fleetwood were presented with plaques for their years of service to the Board. Mrs. Rose Fleetwood accompanied by her son Rodney, accepted the award in her husband’s honor. No further action was required or taken on this matter.
7. **General Administrative Matters; Proposed Rule Amendment to the Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (“APRN”) by the Louisiana State Board of Nursing.** The Board reviewed the proposed rule amendment to the APRN rules noticed for intent to adopt along with the comments submitted by the Board. It was noted that a request for substantive changes to the proposed rules amendment was requested, and if no changes were made, a copy of the Board’s comments be included in the Legislative Oversight Report. It was also noted that a request was made for a copy of the Legislative Oversight Report when submitted.

8. **General Administrative Matters; Point of Care Testing.** The Board reviewed correspondence, the opinion of the Clinical Laboratory Personnel Committee (“CLPC”) and draft legislation which failed in the 2012 Legislative Session regarding the issue of point of care testing and moderate complexity testing. It was noted that the CLPC was opposed to allowing anyone other than licensed laboratory personnel being able to perform moderate complexity testing. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to gather additional information on this matter for further review.

9. **General Administrative Matters; HCR 96; Telehealth Services.** The Board reviewed a memorandum prepared by Dr. Marier on House Concurrent Resolution 96 on the expansion of telehealth services in Louisiana. It was noted that a report had been submitted redefining “telemedicine” to “telehealth” and that the Board was not a member of the study group but had been invited to participate. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to express its concerns with the new definition and inform the study group of the Board’s willingness to participate.

10. **New Business; Louisiana Physical Therapy Board’s Rule; Procurement of Legend Drugs and Device; Performance of Dry Needling.** On the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Farris, and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board voted to take up an item of new business, physical therapist’s rule; procurement of legend drugs and devices and performance of dry needling. The Board noted that the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board promulgated a rule in 2011 that authorized physical therapists to procure from licensed distributors, legend drugs and medical devices even though it was not contained in the Physical Therapy Practice Act. The rule also authorized the use of “dry needling”. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to write to the Physical Therapy Board requesting an amendment to the rules to delete LAC LIV.311 and 315A, and any other reference in the rules with respect to ordering legend drugs for topical use, ordering legend devices and the authorization of dry needling by physical therapists considered to be the practice of medicine in general and acupuncture in particular.

11. **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 reported on the meeting with the Board of Nursing, gave an update on legislative matters and provided a copy of the notification to Department of State Civil Service on the appointing authority of Dr. Mouton effective July 1, 2013. No further action was required or taken on this matter.
12. **General Administrative Matters; Financial Reports.**

Financial Statement - The Board reviewed a statement on the revenue and expenses for the period ending March 31, 2013 and approved all expenditures as noted therein. The Board also reviewed the status of investments as of March 31, 2013. The Board also reviewed a balance sheet and income statement for Clinical Laboratory Personnel for the period ending March 31, 2013 and approved all expenditures as noted therein. The Board also reviewed the status of investments for Clinical Laboratory Personnel as of March 31, 2013.

Credit Card Fees – The Board discussed credit card fees currently charged to the Board for each payment by credit card. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to study the matter further for the feasibility of assessment of a credit card fee to the licensee.

[13.] **Minutes of May 20, 2013 Executive Sessions.** On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to review the minutes of its executive sessions conducted during the meeting of May 20, 2013. Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session and on the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery approved the minutes of the executive sessions conducted during its meeting of May 20, 2013 with all necessary corrections.

[14.] **Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Louisiana Anti-Kick Law.** On the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider follow-up information regarding a request for an advisory opinion received from Jennifer Jones Thomas, Partner, Kean Miller LLP relative to a marketing and technology platform that allows patients to find, schedule and keep physician appointments declared proprietary in part pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. §44.3.2. Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the correspondence advising Ms. Thomas that based upon the Board’s understanding of the material presented, the proposed arrangement does not appear to constitute a proscribed anti-kickback that would expose physician subscriber clients to violations of the Medical Practice Act.

[15.] **Report on Pending Litigation.** On the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa, 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.

[16.] **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. 42:17 A(1), (4). No further action was required or taken on this matter.

[17.] Physicians Health Program. 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 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). No further action was required or taken on this matter.

[18.] 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. §42:17A(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:
   - Natalia Beth Hannan, M.D., Docket No., 13-I-246
   - Little Joe Scott, CRT, Docket No., 13-I-230
   - Barbara Ann Denais Smith, M.D., Docket No., 12-I-619
   - William Lee Gibson, M.D., Docket No., 11-I-938
   - Justin Michael Braud, Poly, Docket No., 13-I-207

b. The following matters were closed/dismissed:
   - Docket No., 13-I-024
   - Docket No., 12-I-775
   - Docket No., 11-I-703
   - Docket No., 13-I-059
   - Docket No., 13-I-348

c. The following matter was closed/dismissed with a Letter of Concern:
   - Docket No., 13-I-334

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 approved the Interim Actions that had been handled by the President:
Docket No., 13-I-202  
Docket No., 13-I-158  
Docket No., 13-I-344  
Docket No., 13-I-577

[19.] **Professional Liability Report.** On the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Farris 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.

[20.] **General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Randy Lane Lavespere, M.D.** On the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session for the personal appearance of Randy Lane Lavespere, 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. Lavespere appeared before the Board to request modification of the terms of his Consent Order dated October 19, 2009. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and on the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa, and passed by unanimous voice vote, denied the request for modification of the terms of Consent Order.

[21.] **General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Hal David MacMurdo, M.D.** On the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session for the personal appearance of Hal David MacMurdo, 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. MacMurdo appeared before the Board to request reinstatement of his prescribing privileges. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and on the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson, and passed by unanimous voice vote, denied the request for reinstatement of his prescribing privileges.

[22.] **General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Sharon Ann Huffman, M.D.** On the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session for the personal appearance of Sharon Ann Huffman, 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. Huffman appeared before the Board to request reinstatement of her license to a full, unrestricted status. Following her dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and on the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson, and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved reinstatement of the license of Sharon Ann Huffman, M.D., to a full, unrestricted status, off probation.

[23.] **Licensure and Certification; Clinical Laboratory Personnel.** Upon the motion of Dr. Farris, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson 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, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

**Phlebotomists**

Vessell, Therisa Ann

Williams, Lakishis Marie

**Laboratory Assistants**

Brunson, Stephanie Danean

**Generalist**

Bryant, Brooke Alicia

**Specialist**

Regan, Laura Eileen

[24.] **Licensure and Certification; Occupational Therapy.** 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 for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

**Occupational Therapy Assistant**

Hall, Constance La'Shay

[25.] **Licensure and Certification; Physician Assistants.** On motion of Dr. Dawson, 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 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, Mattye Lee

Bolton, Thomas Trimble

Courtney, Casey William

Presley, Steven Edward
[26.] **Licensure and Certification; Athletic Trainer.** On motion of Dr. Montgomery, 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 licensure upon receipt of additional information provided all other requirements had been met:

Milton, Royal III

[27.] **Licensure and Certification; Respiratory Therapy.** On motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Farris 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, made the following decisions:

a. **Approve** – To approved the following for licensure provided all other requirements had been met:

   Alexander, Barsantia J.          Stephens, Daniel Dewayne

b. **Deny** – To deny the request of the following for a waiver of an examination attempt due to failure to show proof of extenuating circumstances:

   Thompson, Stacey Renee

[28.] **Licensure and Certification; Physicians and Surgeons; Foreign Medical Graduates.** On motion of Dr. Farris, 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 made the following decisions:

a. **Deny** – To deny the request of Vikas Dhawan, M.D., PhD., for a waiver of the required three years of ACGME post graduate training in the US/Canada.

b. **Approve** – To approve the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

   Benjo, Alexandre Migues          Murillo, Imelda F.
[29.] **Licensure and Certification; Physicians and Surgeons; U.S./Canadian Medical Graduates.** On motion of Dr. Dawson, 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 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 applicants for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

- Barker, Kyle Richard
- Bertoni, Danielle Marie
- Cudihy, Damon Thomas
- Ferrell, David Ralph

[30.] **Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Fingerprint Discrepancies Report.** On motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery 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**

- Bayless, Kerry A.
- Copeland, Hilary L.
- Hynes, Canna R.

- Jackson, Richard B.
- Mayfield, Ricky A.

**Physicians and Surgeons**

- Brown, Michael E.
- Foster, Michael B.
- Gruezke, Andrew A.

- Hodges, Tony N.
- McLaughlin, Erick J.
- Reed, Scott Bernard

**Respiratory Therapists**

- Gaspard, Bridjette F.

- Thompson, Aneesah L.

**Occupational Therapist**
Talbot, Kelly P.
Occupational Therapy Assistant
Jackson, LaDonna M.

[31.] Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Intern/Examination Registration. On motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson 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 Graduates**

Crutcher, Clifford Lemont
Desai, Anand Maoj
Hanudel, Matthew Wayne
Hinton, Michael Jermaine
Myles, Bevan Ambus
Patel, Amit Sharad

Rathe, Robin Mari
Smith, Edward Lee
Sparks, Kendrick Ladel
Tran, Mai Phuong
White, Martin Devitt
Wiggins, Marwan C.

**International Medical Graduate (GETP)**

Silva, Cesar Alejandro

[32.] Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Relicensure/Reinstatement. On motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine application for relicensure/reinstatement 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 decision:

Approved – To approve the request of the following for a waiver of the required three years of ACGME postgraduate training inasmuch as he is Board certified in pediatrics:

Bleckel, Uwe

33. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Licensees for Suspension.
The Board reviewed the list of licensees, who had failed to renew their licenses by May 31, 2013. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

[34]. New Business; Acceptance of Executive Director Position; Cecilia Ann Mouton, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Farris, and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board voted to take up an item of new business, Executive Director position. The Board noted that Dr. Mouton had accepted the Executive Director position and upon motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote approved a salary increase of 10% effective July 1, 2013.

35. Next Meeting of Board. The President reminded the members that the next meeting of the Board was scheduled for July 15, 16, 2013.

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 June 17, 2013 as approved by the Board on the 15th day of July, 2013.

Witness my hand and seal of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners this 15th day of July, 2013.

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

Attest:  ________________________________
Melvin G. Bourgeois, M.D.
President