

**THE LOUISIANA STATE
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

**MINUTES
OF
MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 16, 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, September 16, 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
Mark Henry Dawson, M.D., Vice-President
Kweli J. Amusa, M.D., Secretary-Treasurer
John Michael Burdine, M.D.
Joseph D. Busby, Jr., M.D.
Kenneth Barton Farris, M.D.
Cynthia Gail Montgomery, M.D.

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

Cecilia Ann Mouton, M.D., Executive Director
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 Gasper, 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 August 19, 20, 21, 2013 Meeting.** The Board reviewed the minutes of its meeting held August 19, 20, 21, 2013. On the motion of Dr. Farris duly seconded by Dr. Dawson 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 the action items as assigned to staff and counsel from previous meetings.
3. **Rulings and Advisory Opinion; Terrebonne General Medical Center; “On Call” Physicians.** The Board reviewed correspondence received from the Medical Executive Committee, Terrebonne General Medical Center, seeking the Board’s solution to physicians not providing “on call” services to their patients who show up at the emergency rooms of hospitals, particularly pediatricians without staff privileges. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to defer action on this matter pending further research.
4. **Rulings and Advisory Opinion; BlueCross BlueShield of Louisiana; Telemedicine Utilization.** The Board reviewed correspondence received from David G. Carmouche, M.D., Senior Vice President and Chief Medical Officer, BlueCross BlueShield of Louisiana (“BCBSLA”), asking for confirmation of the Board’s opinion on the utilization of telemedicine with respect to the BCBSLA network. Following review and discussion it was consensus of the Board to draft correspondence confirming his interpretation for review at the next meeting of the Board.
5. **Rulings and Advisory Opinion; Louisiana Athletic Trainer’s Association, Inc.; Declaration Statements.** The Board reviewed correspondence received from Gerard White, MEd, ATC, LAT, President, Louisiana Athletic Trainers’ Association, asking whether the Board was in support of a declaratory statement rendered by the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board stating that a physician may provide verbal orders to implement treatment. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to defer action on this matter pending discussion with the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board.
6. **Communication and Information; Department of Health and Human Services; Food and Drug Administration; Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy Treatment Centers.** The Board reviewed correspondence received from Kimber Richter, Supervisory Medical Officer, Office of Compliance, Center for Devices and Radiological Health, U.S. Food and Drug Administration, regarding the use of hyperbaric oxygen chambers to treat medical condition for which the device has not been FDA-cleared or approved. Following review and discussion it was the consensus of the Board to place a copy of the correspondence on the “In the News” section of the Board’s website and place this information in the next edition of the *Newsletter*.
7. **Communication and Information; American Osteopathic Association.** The Board reviewed correspondence received from Norman E. Vinn, DO, MBA, FACOFP, President, American Osteopathic Association providing comments to the proposed rule amendment; Licensure and Certification; Qualifications for Medical Licensure by Reciprocity. Following

review and discussion, it was the decision of the Board to prepare a response in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act.

8. General Administrative Matters; Executive Director's Report. The Board received the report of its Executive Director on her activities since the last meeting of the Board. Dr. Mouton reported on follow-up items relating to facility management, information technology, concerns with other licensing authorities and the Board's telemedicine rules.

9. General Administrative Matters; Podiatry Advisory Committee. The Board reviewed the curriculum vitae of the Denise Lea Elliott, DPM, FACFAS, who was nominated to the Podiatry Advisory Committee by the Louisiana Podiatry Medical Association. Following discussion, upon the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson, the Board affirmed Denise Lea Elliott, DPM, FACFAS to Podiatry Advisory Committee, who was approved as an interim action by Dr. Bourgeois effective August 27, 2013.

10. General Administrative Matters; Financial Reports.

Financial Statement - The Board reviewed a statement on the revenue and expenses for the period ending June 30, 2013 and approved all expenditures as noted therein. The Board also reviewed the status of investments as of June 30, 2013. The Board also reviewed a balance sheet and income statement for Clinical Laboratory Personnel for the period ending June 30, 2013 and approved all expenditures as noted therein. The Board also reviewed the status of investments for Clinical Laboratory Personnel as of June 30, 2013.

11. General Administrative Matters; Personal Appearance; Gerard Anthony White, ATH, President of the Louisiana Athletic Trainers Association. Gerard Anthony White, ATH, appeared before the Board to discuss implementation of Act 352 of the 2011 Regular Legislative Session, the Comprehensive Sports Injury Management Program. Mr. White discussed the recommendation of the rules for a Serious Injury Management Program submitted by the Board and Louisiana High School Athletic Association's Sports Medicine Advisory Committee to the Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education ("BESE"). Following his dismissal, upon the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote voice, the Board approved the Injury Management Program Rules for a Serious Injury as recommended to BESE.

12. Rules and Regulations.

- a. Final Rules/Amendments: - None published since the last meeting of the Board.
- b. Rules/Amendments – Noticed for Intent: **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. Such *Notice of Intent* appeared in the August 2013 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. **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. The *Notice of Intent* appeared in the August edition of 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. Following review and discussion at the March 2013 meeting, the Board voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendments in the *Louisiana Register*. The *Notice of Intent* appeared in the August 2013 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. **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*. Such *Notice of Intent* appeared in the August 20, 2013 edition of the *Louisiana Register*.

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 studied. Following a number of revisions to conform the rules to the law and rule format and reviewed by staff, a revised draft was forwarded to the Committee's Chair for initial review and/or consideration. A draft of the rules was presented for initial review and consideration by the Board. **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 current draft of the proposed rules at its July 2013 meeting and voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rules. It is anticipated that such *Notice of Intent* will appear in the September 2013 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. **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*. Prior to publication, staff suggested additional changes relative to the performance of office-based procedures using moderate or conscious sedation. Pursuant to the Board's instructions, a revised draft is being prepared for consideration. **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 amendments 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. During its May 2013 meeting, further review and discussion took place 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 of a revised draft during its July 2013 meeting, the Board voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendments in the *Louisiana Register*. It is anticipated that such *Notice of Intent* will appear in the September 2013 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. **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 in that field. Pursuant to the Board's directions, a draft was

submitted for initial review and discussion at its August 2013 meeting. The draft also includes a prohibition against physician prescribing of controlled substances to one's self or immediate family members in the absence of an emergency. At the August 2013 meeting, the Board voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendment.

[13.] Minutes of August 19, 20, 21, 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 August 19, 20, 21, 2013. Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session and on the motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa, approved the minutes of the executive sessions conducted during its meeting of August 19, 20, 21, 2013 with all necessary corrections.

[14.] Report on Pending Litigation. On the motion of Dr. Farris, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson, 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.

[15.] 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.

[16.] 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:

Charlotte Diana Vang, DPM, Docket No., 13-I-336

Calvin Edward Williams, Jr., M.D., Docket No., 12-I-649¹

- b. Stipulation and Agreement for Voluntary Surrender of Medical License: The following Stipulation and Agreement for Voluntary Surrender of Medical License was accepted:

Larry Mitchell Isaacs, M.D., Docket No., 12-I-915

¹ The Board denied No., 5 and No., 6 of the list of procedures to be performed in his office.

c. Closed/Dismissed with Letter of Concern: The following matters were closed/dismissed with a Letter of Concern:

Docket No., 12-I-629

Docket No., 13-I-647

Docket No., 13-I-509

d. Closed/Dismissed: The following matter was closed/dismissed:

Docket No., 13-I-571

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

f. Interim Actions: The Board approved the Interim Actions that had been handled by the President:

Docket No., 13-I-938

Docket No., 13-I-946

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

[18.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Troy Channing Shows, OT. On the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Farris and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session for the personal appearance of Troy Channing Shows, OT, 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). Mr. Shows appeared before the Board in connection with his request for reinstatement of his license to a full, unrestricted status, having fulfilled the terms of his probation. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and on the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Farris, and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved reinstatement of the license of Troy Channing Shows, OT, to a full, unrestricted status, off probation.

[19.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Charles David Mayeux, RRT. 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 Charles David Mayeux, RRT, 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). Mr. Mayeux, accompanied by his attorney, Sarah Johnson, appeared before the Board in connection with his

request for reinstatement of his license to a full, unrestricted status. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and on the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery, and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the request of Charles David Mayeux, RRT, for reinstatement of his license to a full, unrestricted status, off probation.

[20.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Chandra Mohan Katta, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Busby, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session for the personal appearance of Chandra Mohan Katta, 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. Katta appeared before the Board in connection with his request for removal of the restriction remaining on his prescribing privileges. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and on the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery, and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the request of Chandra Mohan Katta, M.D., for removal of the restriction remaining on his prescribing privileges, thereby reinstating his license to a full, unrestricted status.

[21.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Jill Jane Feinberg, 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 personal appearance of Jill Jane Feinberg, 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. Feinberg appeared before the Board in connection with her request for 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. Montgomery, and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the request of Jill Jane Feinberg, M.D., for reinstatement of her license to a full, unrestricted status.

[22.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Joia Crear-Perry, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Farris, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session for the personal appearance of Joia Crear-Perry, 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. Crear-Perry appeared before the Board in connection with her request for reinstatement of her license to a full, unrestricted status. Following her dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and on the motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine and passed by unanimous voice vote, denied the request of Joia Crear-Perry, M.D., for early reinstatement of her license to a full, unrestricted status.

[23.] General Disciplinary Matters. On the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Farris, the Board convened in executive session to consider the requests relating to the execution or modification of a Decision and/or Consent Order as matters relating to the character and professional conduct of licensees, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §42:17A(1) and (4). 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. Gaines, Lynda Janell, CRT – To approve reinstatement of the license of Lynda Janell Gaines, CRT, to a full, unrestricted license in accordance with the terms of her Consent Order dated July 19, 2010.
- b. Armstrong, Dion Lynn, M.D. – To provide Dion Lynn Armstrong, M.D., with the reasons for the Board's denial of his request submitted at the July 2013 meeting of the Board for reinstatement of his suspended license.
- c. Lee, Fred Lee M.D. – To note receipt of follow-up correspondence received from Fred Lee Reed, M.D., regarding his request for reinstatement of his revoked license.

[24.] Adjudication; Donald Peter Auzine II, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine, the Board convened in executive session to consider the request 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 on the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine, denied the request of Donald Peter Auzine II, M.D, for a rehearing on this matter.

[25.] Licensure and Certification; Clinical Laboratory Personnel. Upon the motion of Dr. Montgomery, 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 has been met:

Laboratory Assistant

Stenhhouse, Lori Elizabeth

Phlebotomists

Frost, Schwanda Evon
Menard, Tami Pritchard

Roddy, Taylor Michelle

[26.] Licensure and Certification; Respiratory Therapy. On motion of Dr. Busby, 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 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 other requirements had been met:

Bland, Tamara Jean
LeCount, Allison Brooke

Lee, William Thomas
Van Sweden, Jessica Lynn

[27.] Licensure and Certification; Athletic Trainers. On motion of Dr. Farris, 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 other requirements had been met:

Albin, Brandon J.

[28.] Licensure and Certification; Occupational Therapists. On motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the 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 other requirements had been met:

Curry, Rebecca Daigre
Guillory, Leslie Nicole

Stanley, Joshua Harold

[29.] Licensure and Certification; Podiatry; Advanced Practice; Conservative Treatment of the Ankle. 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 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 provided all requirements had been met:

Advanced Practice – Conservative Treatment of the Ankle

Douenias, Elina Elizabeth, DPM

Non-Routine Applicant

Daniel Thomas Hall IV, DPM

[30.] Licensure and Certification; Medical Psychology. On motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive

session to consider the 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 other requirements had been met:

Logan, James, Ph.D., MP

[31.] 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. Gharb, Bahar Bassiri, M.D. –To deny the request of Bahar Bassiri Gharb, M.D., for a waiver of the three years of ACGME postgraduate training inasmuch as the training was not from an ACGME accredited program.
- b. Rampazzo, Antonio, M.D. –To deny the request of Antonio Rampazzo, M.D., for a waiver of the three years of ACGME postgraduate training inasmuch as the training received was not in an ACGME accredited program.
- c. Approved – To approve the following for non-routine applicants for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Chatha, Sartaj Singh

Pham, Huong Diem

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

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 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:

Gadiparthi, Seshu
Gandhi, Sanjay
Gapp, Joshua Dominique
Little, Ernest Alan

Pham, Hien Dai
Reeder, Virginia Jones
Roberts, Oritsejolomi Adetola

[33.] Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Fingerprint Discrepancies Report. On motion of Dr. Dawson, 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

Harrison, Ashlie Nicholle

Physicians and Surgeons

Collins, Hunter
Hebert, Clinton John

Lopez-Bermudez, Felix Iran

[34.] Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Intern/Examination Registration. On motion of Dr. Farris, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine applications for intern/examination registration as a matter relating to 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 issuance of an intern/examination registration for the following provided all other requirements had been met:

U.S. Medical Graduates

Bidros, Dani Sirop

Schreeder, Martin Fleming

International Medical Graduate (GETP)

Mani, Shyam Prabhakant

35. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Special Events Permit. The Board reviewed the application for a special events permit for Alcon Laboratories, Inc., to hold a Live Surgery: Advancements in Techniques and Technologies at the American Academy of Ophthalmology annual congress on November 16, 2013. Following review and discussion, on the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Farris, the Board denied the application for a special events permit.

36. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Licensees for Suspension.

The Board reviewed the list of licensees, who had failed to renew their licenses by August 31, 2013. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

[37.] General Administrative Matters; Unclassified Employees; Merit Increase. On the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the request for approval for merit increases for the unclassified employees in line with State Civil Service Rules. Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon the motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved a 5% merit increase for Dr. Mouton and the Confidential Executive Assistant, Rita L. Arceneaux.

[38.] Other Administrative Matters; Review of Laws and Rules. Counsel reviewed pertinent laws and rules administered by the Board with respect to Integrative and Complementary Medicine. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

39. Next Meeting of Board. The President reminded the members that the next meeting of the Board was scheduled for October 21, 22, 2013.

Upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m., on Monday, September 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 September 16, 2013 as approved by the Board on the 21st day of October, 2013.

Witness my hand and seal of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners this 21st day of October, 2013.

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

Attest:

Melvin G. Bourgeois, M.D.
President