

**THE LOUISIANA STATE
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

**MINUTES
OF
MEETING**

**DECEMBER 8, 2014
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, December 8, 2014, by order of the President, at the offices of the Board, 630 Camp Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Board Members present as follows:

Mark Henry Dawson, M.D., President
John Michael Burdine, M.D., Vice-President
Kweli J. Amusa, M.D., Secretary-Treasurer
Joseph D. Busby, Jr., M.D.
Kenneth Barton Farris, M.D.
Christy Lynn Valentine, M.D.

Board Member absent as follows:

Roderick V. Clark, 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, Administrative Manager
Lilly Rodgers, Administrative Program Specialist A
Merian Gaspard, 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 October 20, 2014 Meeting.** The Board reviewed the minutes of its meeting held on Monday, October 20, 2014. On the motion of Dr. Farris duly seconded by Dr. Valentine 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. Communication and Information; Personal Appearance; Federation of State Medical Boards, (“FSMB”), Linda Gage-White, M.D., Ph.D., Liaison Program.** Linda Gage-White, M.D., Ph.D., former Board member and Member of the Board of Directors of the FSMB and Liaison Director, appeared before the Board to give an update on the services provided by the FSMB and to discuss matters of concerns of the Board. Dr. Gage-White informed the Board that her term on the BOD expires in April. She discussed the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact, the Telemedicine Guidelines and Maintenance of Licensure. She concluded her report stating that nominees were being accepted for a new USMLE Committee.
- 4. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Personal Appearance; David H. Martin, M.D.** David H. Martin, M.D., Chief, Section of Infectious Diseases, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, appeared before the Board in connection with his request for an exemption to the Board’s rules to allow for the dispensing of medications by non-physician personnel in clinical trial studies. Following his dismissal, on the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board voted to advise Dr. Martin that because his request relates to standards and requirements otherwise applicable to pharmacists, his inquiry should be directed to the Louisiana State Board of Pharmacy for their input and will defer action on his inquiry until receipt of their input.
- 5. Rules and Regulations; Personal Appearance; Kenneth Wayne Betzing, PA, Chair, Physician Assistant (“PA”) Advisory Committee, Julie Edminston, PA, PA Advisory Committee, Lena Osborne, PA, Louisiana Academy of Physician Assistants, Peter Stevens, PA; Co-Signature by Supervising Physician.** Kenneth Wayne Betzing, PA, Julie Edminston, PA, Lena Osborne, PA, and Peter B. Stevens, PA, appeared before the Board in support of the proposed rule amendments to eliminate the requirement of the review and countersignature of the physician assistant’s written entry in the patient’s medical record for prescriptions and medical devices. They were in agreement that a quality assurance plan should be implemented for the monthly review of patients’ charts and that 50% of charts for all new graduates and PAs with a major shift in practice should be reviewed. Following review and

discussion, on the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine, the Board voted to move forward with the drafting of the rule amendment.¹

6. Rules and Regulations.

- a. **Final Rules/Amendments: 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, which were discussed at its August 2013 meeting. Pursuant to the Board's instructions, a revised draft incorporating comments and suggestions of members and staff was most recently considered by the Board during its February 2014 meeting. A revised draft incorporating minor changes and staff suggestions was considered by the Board during its June 2014 meeting. Following review and discussion, the Board voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendment in the *Louisiana Register*. Such *Notice of Intent* appeared in the July 2014 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. A request for a public hearing was not received; however two (2) written comments were submitted and presented for the Board's consideration. The comments were reviewed by the Board during its September 2014 meeting. The Board's responses to the comments are included in the Legislative Report. The amendments were adopted upon publication in the November 2014 edition of the *Louisiana Register*.
- b. **Rules/Amendments – Noticed of Intent - Physicians and Surgeons – Collaborating Physicians:** The Board expressed a desire to consider the development of rules relative to physicians who collaborate with advanced practice registered nurses. A draft was prepared by staff for initial consideration at its October 2013 meeting. A revised draft incorporating comments and suggestions was considered by the Board at its December 2013 meeting. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to preview the draft to several professional organizations (the Louisiana State Medical Society, the Louisiana Medical Association and the Louisiana Academy of Family Physicians) and the Louisiana State Board of Nursing. Revised drafts incorporating suggestions were reviewed by the Board at its March 2014 meeting at which time the Board voted to approve the draft pending the receipt of suggestions for one organization yet to respond. Additional revisions were offered by the Board during its May 2014. The Board reviewed the suggested changes offered at the May 2014 meeting along with suggestions of staff. Following consideration and discussion of the latest revised draft at its June 2014 meeting, the Board approved publication of a *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rules in the *Louisiana Register*. Said *Notice of Intent* appeared in the August 2014 issue of the *Louisiana Register*. A number of written comments were received during the comment period and a public hearing was held

¹ Dr. Farris opposed to this motion.

on Wednesday, September 24, 2014 to receive comments, view, arguments and data on the proposed rules. **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 and September 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 its October 2013 meeting, the Board decided to defer that part of the proposed rule dealing with self-prescribing and to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rules. Staff presented additional information concerning physician's self/immediate family prescribing of controlled substances. Following consideration and discussion of the latest revised draft at its June 2014 meeting, the Board approved publication of a *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rules in the *Louisiana Register*. Said *Notice of Intent* appeared in the October 2014 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. Comments received during the comment period were included for the Board's consideration. The Board reviewed the comments received during the comment period and following review and discussion, on the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Farris and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board voted to accept certain of the comments and make the necessary changes to the proposed rules. Inasmuch as the changes were considered substantive, a *Notice of Intent* was required and scheduling of a public hearing. **Occupational Therapy:** The Occupational Therapy Advisory Committee has proposed a number of amendments to the Board's rules respecting occupational therapists. Following review by staff and a number of revisions to conform the rules to the law, a revised draft was returned to the Committee Chair for review. Minor substantive suggestions for revision or modification were received and incorporated into the draft. In sum, the proposed amendments update the rules generally, insert additional language provided in the law, update definitions and practice standards, rearrange various provisions and delete others that are no longer needed. The initial draft was presented for Board consideration at its July 2014 meeting. A revised draft incorporating additional changes was presented at the August 2014 meeting at which time the Board approved providing a *Notice of Intent* in the *Louisiana Register*. Such *Notice of Intent* appeared in the October 2014 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. Comments received during the comment period were included for the Board's consideration. Following a review of the comments received, on the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Valentine, the Board voted to forward the comments to the OT Advisory Committee for their input. **Telemedicine:** Act 442 of the 2014 Legislative Session, which amended R.S. 37:1271 of the Medical Practice Act, necessitates various changes to the Board's existing Telemedicine Rules. Preliminary suggestions were presented to the Board at its July 2014 meeting and a revised draft was presented at its August 2014 meeting at which time the Board authorized publication of a *Notice of Intent* to adopt the amendments. Said *Notice of Intent*

appeared in the October 2014 edition of the *Louisiana register*. The Board reviewed the comments received during the comment period and following review and discussion, on the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Farris and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board voted to accept certain of the comments and make the necessary changes to the proposed rules. Inasmuch as the changes were considered substantive, a *Notice of Intent* was required and scheduling of a public hearing.

- c. **Rules/Amendments Under Development:** **Midwifery:** The Board reviewed the initial draft of rule amendments to the existing rules governing licensed midwife practitioners. The amendments incorporate changes made to the Louisiana Midwifery Practice Act during the 2012 session of the Legislature, update the rules generally and rearrange sections for easier of reference. **Physician Assistants:** During the October 2014 meeting, the Board elected to undertake a rulemaking effort to remove the co-signature requirement for PA services from its existing rules and replace it with alternative methods of physician oversight (e.g., chart review) based on experience and changes in a PA's major area of practice. The Board reviewed suggestions for a form of amendment based on comments received during the October 2014 meeting and direction from the Board's President and suggestions offered by the Louisiana Academy of Physician Assistants.

7. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Owner of Medical Records. The Board reviewed the inquiry received from Michelle K. Buford, J.D., R.H.I.A., Sullivan Stoler Knight LC, requesting guidance and technical advice on the ownership of the medical records of the patient, specifically for a rural health clinic or physician group practice. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to prepare a formal "Statement of Position; Medical Records of Physician Upon Departure from Group/Practice" to address this matter.

8. Ruling and Advisory Opinions; Role of Podiatrists and Nurse Practitioner. The Board reviewed electronic correspondence from Sarah McKeever, RN, VP for Clinical Services, Ortmann Healthcare Services forwarded to the Podiatry Advisory Committee seeking their comments on the role of podiatrists with nurse practitioners. The correspondence noted that podiatrists cannot serve as collaborating physicians for nurse practitioners and sought further guidance on the ability of nurse practitioners to perform histories and physicals under a collaborative agreement with the anesthesiologist. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to advise Ms. McKeever that it would not be appropriate for a nurse practitioner to perform pre-operative clearance under a collaborative agreement with an anesthesiologist.

9. Communication and Information; J. Kevin Duplechain, M.D., FACS; Acceptance of the American Board of Cosmetic Surgery. The Board reviewed correspondence and material submitted by J. Kevin Duplechain, M.D., FACS, regarding the acceptance of the American Board of Cosmetic Surgery, as a certifying Board for physician advertising. Following review and

discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to establish a sub-committee to set criteria for acceptance of certifying boards.

10. Communication and Information; Federation of State Medical Boards (“FSMB”); Second Call for Award Nominations. The Board reviewed the Second Call for Award Nominations for the Distinguished Service Award, the John H. Clark, MD, Leadership Award and Associate Member to the FSMB Board of Directors. The deadline for submission of nominees was Tuesday, January 6, 2015.

11. General Administrative Matters; Financial Reports.

a. 2014 Amended Budget. The Board reviewed the proposed amended budget for 2014 which had been prepared in compliance with the Louisiana Licensing Agency Budget Act of 1989, for submission to the Office of the Legislative Auditor, the Legislative Fiscal Office, the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget and the Senate and House Committees on Health and Welfare. Following review and discussion, upon the motion of Dr. Valentine, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the amended budget as proposed. The Executive Director was instructed to send copies of the budget and notice of the approval to the aforementioned offices and committees as required by law.

b. 2015 Board Budget. The Board reviewed the proposed budget for 2015 which had been prepared in compliance with the Louisiana Licensing Agency Budget Act of 1989, for submission to the Office of the Legislative Auditor, the Legislative Fiscal Office, the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget and the Senate and House Committees on Health and Welfare. Following review and discussion, upon the motion of Dr. Busby, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the budget as proposed. The Executive Director was instructed to send copies of the budget and notice of the approval to the aforementioned offices and committees as required by law.

c. 2015 Clinical Laboratory Personnel Budget. The Board reviewed the proposed budget for 2015 which had been prepared in compliance with the Louisiana Licensing Agency Budget Act of 1989, for submission to the Office of the Legislative Auditor, the Legislative Fiscal Office, the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget and the Senate and House Committees on Health and Welfare. Following review and discussion, upon the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the budget as proposed. The Executive Director was instructed to send copies of the budget and notice of the approval to the aforementioned offices and committees as required by law.

12. General Administrative Matters; President’s Report. The Board received the report of its President on his activities since the last meeting of the Board. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

13. 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 that the online renewals should be back up and running by February 2015, that the next REMS Seminar was scheduled for December 12, 2014 in New Orleans and in Shreveport for February 6, 2015.

14. General Administrative Matters; Athletic Trainers Advisory Committee; Nomination. The Board reviewed the list of nominees to the Athletic Trainers Advisory Committee. Following review and discussion, on the motion of Dr. Busby, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, Jason Dunavant, ATC, LAT, was appointed to the Committee.

15. General Administrative Matters; Prescription Monitoring Advisory Council; Follow-Up. As recommended at its last meeting, the Board reviewed a letter to be forwarded to the top prescribers without PMP access. On the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Valentine and passed by unanimous voice vote, the letter was approved for dissemination.

16. General Administrative Matters; Medical Psychology; Acts 136 and 137 of the 2014 Legislative Session. In accordance with Acts 136 of the 2014 legislative session, the establishment of licensure of specialists in school psychology and Act 137 the establishment of a provisional license for psychologists, the Board reviewed a statement for publication on the Board's website which gives guidance for medical psychologists regarding these Acts. Following review and discussion, on the motion of Dr. Farris, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine, the Board approved the statement for the website and forwarding to the Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists for their review.

17. General Administrative Matters; Professional Legal Contract; Adams and Reese, LLC. The Board noted that the professional legal contract with Adams and Reese, LLC, expired December 31, 2014. Following review and discussion, on the motion of Dr. Farris, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa, the Board authorized the contract amendment and renewal of the contract and struck the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Adams and Reese, LLC, provides professional legal services to the Board, and serves as the Board's official legal counsel; and

WHEREAS, Adams and Reese, LLC, provides professional legal services to the Board relative to the Board's rules and regulations, legislation, Board actions, and disciplinary hearings and adjudications regarding alleged violations of rules and regulations promulgated by the Board; and

WHEREAS, Adams and Reese, LLC, appears and advises the Board at its regular and special meetings, represents the Board in formal and informal disciplinary matters, provide legal advice and assistance to the Board, provides other legal services that are required by the Board and agreed on by the parties to this agreement and represents the Board in litigation filed against or by the Board.

WHEREAS, Adams and Reese, LLC, may provide such other legal or other professional services and assistance as the Board may from time to time deem necessary or appropriate in the discharge of its responsibilities under the Act and Other Governing Laws. Such services, however, shall not include any professional legal services with respect to the defense or other representation of the Board, its members, officers, employees or agents in any suit, action or claim in tort or for worker's compensation benefits; and

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WHEREAS, this resolution shall take effect immediately.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, pursuant to La. R.S. 42:262, does hereby retain and employ, Adams and Reese, LLC, as counsel of record; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution and proposed contract amendment and renewal be submitted to the Attorney General for the State of Louisiana for approval.

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[18.] Minutes of October 20, 2014; Executive Sessions. On the motion of Dr. Valentine, duly seconded by Dr. Busby 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 October 20, 2014. Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session and on the motion of Dr. Busby, duly seconded by Dr. Valentine, and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the minutes of the executive sessions conducted during its meeting of October 20, 2014 with all necessary corrections.

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

[20.] 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.

[21.] Investigative Reports. On the motion of Dr. Valentine, 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. Administrative Complaints: The following Administrative Complaints were accepted and scheduling of a formal hearing:

Docket No., 14-I-394

Docket No., 14-I-516

- b. Consent Orders: The following Consent Orders were accepted:

Jerry Anthony Gregory, PA, Docket No., 14-I-373

Robert Michael Anderson, M.D., Docket No., 14-I-482

Robert Neal Barker, M.D., Docket No., 14-I-812
Kenneth Gregory Stephens, M.D., Docket No., 14-I-548
Latosha Sherbrett Black-Johnson, Poly, Docket No., 13-I-662
Bobby E. Slaydon, Jr., CLP, Docket No., 14-I-574
Yi Ying, CLP, Docket No., 14-I-853

- c. Cease and Desist: The following Cease and Desist was ordered in the following matters:

Docket No., 14-I-875
Docket No., 14-I-705

- d. Close/Dismissed: The following matters were closed/dismissed with a Letter of Concern:

Docket No., 14-I-200
Docket No., 14-I-140

- e. Close/Dismissed: The following matters were closed/dismissed:

Docket No., 13-I-933
Docket No., 14-I-547

- f. Closed Complaint Cases: The Board reviewed the Closed Complaint Cases Reports for November and December 2014.

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

Docket No., 14-I-543
Docket No., 14-I-877

[22.] Physicians Health Program. On the motion of Dr. Farris, duly seconded by Dr. Busby and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to receive the report of Louis Cataldie, M.D., Medical 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.

[23.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; David K. Caletri, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Busby, duly seconded by Dr. Valentine and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of David K. Caletri, 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. Caletri appeared before the Board in connection with the 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. Burdine, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved reinstatement of the license of Dr. Caletri to a full, unrestricted status, off probation.

[24.] Investigative Reports; Personal Appearance; Kevin Govan Work, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine, the Board convened in executive session for the personal appearance of Kevin Govan Work, 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. Work, accompanied by his attorney Ed Lilly, appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order at the October 2014 meeting. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

[25.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Kashmir Kaur Rai, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Busby and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Kashmir Kaur Rai, 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. Rai, accompanied by her attorney, Nanak Rai, and his assistant, Kamal C. Brown appeared before the Board in connection with the reinstatement of her license to a full, unrestricted status, off probation. Following her dismissal, the Board resumed in open session and upon the motion of Dr. Busby, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved reinstatement of the license of Dr. Rai to a full, unrestricted status, off probation.

[26.] General Disciplinary Matters. On the motion of Dr. Farris, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine, 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 action:

Hebert, David Adam, M.D. – To approve the request of David Adam Hebert, M.D., for reinstatement of his license to a full, unrestricted status.

[27.] Professional Liability Report. On the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Valentine 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.

[28.] Licensure and Certification; Clinical Laboratory Personnel. Upon the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Valentine 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 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:

Phlebotomists

Simpson, Amber Nicole

Slaughter, Senchal Antoinette

[29.] Licensure and Certification; Occupational Therapists. Upon the 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 application 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:

Pilon, David Anthony

[30.] Licensure and Certification; Podiatry; Advanced Practice; Surgical Treatment of the Ankle. 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 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:

Podiatry Advanced Practice – Surgical Treatment of the Ankle

Pourcia, John Kalieb

[31.] Licensure and Certification; Physicians and Surgeons; U.S./Canadian Medical Graduates. On motion of Dr. Busby, duly seconded by Dr. Valentine 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:

Chelemer, Scott B.
Labi, Marlon Amos
Martinez, Rosendo Emilio
McDonnell, Andrew Joseph

Milhon, Rusty Allen
SoloRio, Jay Richard
Villegas, Monica, DO

[32.] 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. Galagan, Robert C. – To approve the waiver of the licensure requirements for Robert C. Galagan, M.D., in accordance with §315 of the Board’s rules inasmuch as he had been appointed assistant professor with tenure in the Department of Medicine at Tulane University.
- b. Non- Routine: - To approve the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Yates, Mariana Marin

[33.] Licensure and Certification; Clinical Exercise Physiologist.

Upon the motion of Dr. Busby, duly seconded by Dr. Valentine and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the request for a waiver of an examination attempt 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 waiver for the following:

Williams, Regan B.

34. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Board Orientation. The Board reviewed the evaluations submitted on the Board Orientation held Friday, November 7, 2014 in Shreveport. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

35. Next Meeting of Board. The President reminded the members that the next meeting of the Board was scheduled for January 12, 13, 2015.

Upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m., on Monday, December 8, 2014.

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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 December 8, 2014 as approved by the Board on the 12th day of January, 2015.

Witness my hand and seal of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners this 12th day of January, 2015.

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

Attest:

Mark Henry Dawson, M.D.
President