Meeting Minutes
August 24, 2012

The Alabama State Board of Respiratory Therapy met on Friday, August 24, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. in Montgomery, Alabama for the purpose of conducting Board business. Those present were as follows: Fred Hill, Chair; Linda Moore, Vice-Chair; Vernon Johnson, Member; and Ron Stansell, Member. Not present was Dr. William P. Saliski, Jr, Member. Also present were Paula McCaleb, Executive Director; Monica Sheeler, Assistant Attorney General and Amanda Lozada, Licensing Agent and serving as Recording Secretary.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 10:05 a.m., with a quorum present.

The meeting was advertised on the Board web site as well as the Secretary of State’s web site in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.

A motion was made by Linda Moore to approve the Minutes from April 27, 2012, as written. The motion was seconded by Ron Stansell and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Vernon Johnson to request a notarized graduation certificate for all four year RT programs in order to issue a license. The motion was seconded by Linda Moore and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Vernon Johnson to approve the proposed dates for the 2013 Board Meeting Calendar as follows: January 11th, April 12th, July 12th, and October 11th. The motion was seconded by Linda Moore and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Ron Stansell to put the specifications for Investigator out to bid. The motion was seconded by Vernon Johnson and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Vernon Johnson to approve the document management system of paperless records as presented. The motion was seconded by Linda Moore and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Vernon Johnson that the Board enter into Executive Session to consider the general reputation and character, physical condition, professional competence, and mental health of files “A, B, and C”, in accordance with Section VII (1) of the Open Meetings Act. The motion was seconded by Fred Hill and passed unanimously and the Chairman announced that the Board would continue in Executive Session for approximately twenty (20) minutes, the time being approximately 11:50 p.m.
A motion was made by Ron Stansell to come out of Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Vernon Johnson and passed unanimously, the time being approximately 12:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Vernon Johnson to approve Morris Harris’s application pending enrollment in the Wellness Program for one (1) year and receipt of a letter of reference from his Program Director and his Director of Clinical Education. The motion was seconded by Ron Stansell and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Vernon Johnson to approve Brittney Parish’s application pending enrollment in the Wellness Program for one (1) year and receipt of an additional letter of reference from her Program Director. The motion was seconded by Ron Stansell.

A motion was made by Vernon Johnson to deny Chelsea Justice’s request for temporary licensure extension. The motion was seconded by Ron Stansell and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Ron Stansell to require two letters of reference and one year of Wellness monitoring for any applicant who has ever had a history of drug or alcohol abuse. The motion was seconded by Vernon Johnson and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Vernon Johnson to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Linda Moore and passed unanimously. There being no further Board business, the Board adjourned at approximately 12:55 p.m.; the Chair announced that the next meeting would be held on October 12th, 2012, in the Montgomery Board office.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Fred Hill, Chairman

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Linda Moore, Vice-Chair

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Paula McCaleb, Executive Director

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Amanda J. Lozada, Licensing Agent (serving as Recording Secretary).