



**ALABAMA STATE BOARD
OF RESPIRATORY THERAPY**

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MINUTES

March 7, 2025

Present:

Ronda Hood Mask	Board Chair
Ed Goodwin	Board Vice Chair
Glenn Pippen	Board Member
Kristen Johnston (via Teams Mtg)	Board Member
Ashley Pool (via Teams Mtg)	Board Member
Elizabeth Sheehan	Executive Director
Paula Little	Assistant Director

Absent:

Dr. Erin Ozgun	Board Member
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The Alabama State Board of Respiratory Therapy held a meeting on March 7, 2025, in the 4th floor conference room located at 400 S. Union Street, Montgomery, Alabama. The meeting was posted on the Secretary of State's website, as well as the Board's website, in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

I. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

Board Chair Ronda Hood Mask called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. after a roll call and establishing a quorum was present. Rhonda Mask announced to the Board that Statement of Economic Interest forms needed to be filled out by all board members. Elizabeth Sheehan would send out a link after the meeting.

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

After review, Glenn Pippen made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented with the ability to make changes if necessary. Ed Goodwin seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the agenda with no opposition.

III. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

After review, Ed Goodwin made a motion to adopt the Minutes of the November 22, 2024,

meeting as presented. Glenn Phippen seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Minutes of the November 22, 2024, meeting as presented with no opposition.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Financial Statement. Ms. Sheehan presented the financial statement to the Board. After discussion, Glenn Phippen made a motion to accept the financial statement as presented. Ashley Pool seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, the Board voted unanimously to accept the financial statement as presented with no opposition.
- b. Moving Expenses. Ms. Sheehan explained to the Board that we did not have a quote yet, but approval is required for moving expenses to move office spaces (within the same building). After discussion, Ed Goodwin made a motion to approve up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) in moving expenses. Glenn Phippen seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, the Board voted unanimously to accept the motion on moving expenses with no opposition.

V. LEGISLATIVE REPORT

- a. Compact Bill (HB336/SB181). Ms. Sheehan updated the Board on the Compact Bill. Currently there are four (4) states with pending compact legislation. Ms. Sheehan advised that the compact verbiage is standard language, and she is working on getting the statute changes required for compliance with HB336. Ed Goodwin presented the Board with a letter of support from AARC Sr. VP Miriam O'Day.
- b. Statute Revision. Elizabeth Sheehan presented the Board with statute revisions. Discussions covered the NBRC testing changes for 2027, CRT vs RRT licensing requirements, and respiratory therapy students.

After discussion, Glenn Phippen made a motion to maintain the original statute language to allow the licensing of CRTs for the present time. Ashley Pool seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, the Board voted unanimously to accept the motion with no opposition.

Ed Goodwin moved that section 34-27B-11(8) be rewritten as follows: "Any respiratory therapy student performing limited respiratory therapy procedures that have been completed in clinical training employed by any health care provider organization while enrolled in a respiratory therapy educational program accredited by the Council on Allied Health Education Programs in collaboration with the Committee on Accreditation for Respiratory Care or their successor organizations. The employee shall be designated by title as a student or trainee and shall work under direct supervision of a licensed Respiratory Therapist. The Board shall maintain a list of students falling within this exception for informational purposes only." Glenn Phippen seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, the Board voted unanimously to accept the motion with no opposition.

Ashley Pool moved to accept the entire statute as amended and to authorize

Elizabeth Sheehan to send the amended statute to the legislature. Glenn Phippen seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, the Board voted unanimously to accept the motion with no opposition.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. New Licensee List. Elizabeth Sheehan presented the Board with a listing of the new licensees. After review of the list, Ed Goodwin moved to approve and accept the new licensees as presented. Glenn Phippen seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, the Board voted unanimously to accept the motion with no opposition.
- b. Dates and times of 2025 meetings.
 - i. 4/7/2025 at 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. at the ASRC state meeting in Orange Beach
 - ii. 6/6/2025 at 10:00 a.m.
 - iii. 9/19/2025 at 10:00 a.m.
 - iv. 12/12/2025 at 10:00 a.m.

- VII. With no further business, Glenn Phippen motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ed Goodwin seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, the Board voted unanimously to accept the motion with no opposition. Board Chair Ronda Hood Mask adjourned the meeting at 11:56 a.m.



Ronda Hood Mask, Board Chair



Elizabeth Sheehan, Executive Director