

MINUTES

Board Meeting

December 1, 2005

The Alabama State Board of Respiratory Therapy met on December 1, 2005 in Montgomery, Alabama for the purpose of conducting Board Business. Those present were as follows: Ronda Hood, Chair; Fred Hill, Vice-Chair; Linda Jordan, Member; and Dr. William Goetter, Member. David Howard, Member was not present. Also present were Paula Scout McCaleb, Executive Director; and Sandy Speakman, Assistant Attorney General.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 10:00 a.m. with a quorum present.

Public notice was given for this meeting on the Secretary of State's Web Site in accordance with the Open Meetings Act and advertised on the Board's Web Site. Notice was submitted to the Secretary of State's Web Site on November 22, 2005.

A motion was made by Fred Hill and seconded by William Goetter to adjust the Agenda in order to address pertinent business first and for the convenience of the invited guests from the Medical Association, and Medical Examiners Board present. The motion passed unanimously.

The following were present for discussion of ASBRT's Rules and Regulations: Sen. Larry Dixon, Executive Director of the Alabama Medical Examiners Board; Ms. Trish Shaner, General Counsel for the Alabama Medical Examiners Board; Mr. Wendell Morgan, and Less Hayes, General Counsel of the Medical Association for Alabama. Invited Guests from the Alabama Board of Nursing and the Alabama Hospital Association were not yet present.

The Board entered discussion with the above present individuals regarding possible changes to the Rules and Regulations.

At approximately, 10:15 a.m. Kim Morgan representing the Alabama Hospital Association arrived and joined in the discussion.

At approximately, 10:30 a.m. the representatives from the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners and the Medical Association of Alabama exited the meeting after the conclusion of discussions of Rule and Regulation language.

The Chair made a motion to table further discussion on the matter of Rule and Regulations pertaining to Scope of Practice until Genell Lee, Executive Director of the Alabama Board of Nursing arrived. The motion was seconded by Bill Goetter. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Fred Hill and seconded by William Goetter to accept the Minutes from the October 28, 2005 Board Meeting as submitted and publish on the Board's Web Site as soon as practicable in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. The motion was passed unanimously.

The Executive Director presented the Board with a Report.

The Chair presented a Report to the Board and then the Board entered into discussions regarding Web Casts for CE Credit.

A motion was made by Fred Hill and seconded by William Goetter to suspend discussion on Web Casts for CE Credit and move back to discussions of the Rules and Regulations. The motion passed unanimously.

At approximately 11:00 a.m., Genell Lee, Executive Director for the Nursing Board arrived and the Board entered into discussions regarding the Scope of Practice in the Rules and Regulations.

A motion was made by Fred Hill to amend Rule 798-X-4 to remove the last paragraph of that section and to request a Declaratory Ruling from the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners and the Alabama Board of Nursing regarding Scope of Practice. The motion was seconded by William Goetter and unanimously carried by the Board.

Genell Lee, Executive Director of the Alabama Board of Nursing excused herself following this motion.

A motion was made by Fred Hill and seconded by William Goetter to amend Rule 798-X-7-.06 as presented by Legal Counsel. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Fred Hill and seconded by William Goetter to accept the CE Reporting Form and Instructions as amended for inclusion on the Board Web Site. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by William Goetter and seconded by Linda Jordan to adopt the Policy & Procedure for review of applications for credential and work experience. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by William Goetter and seconded by Linda Jordan to adopt the Policy & Procedure for review of reciprocal applications. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by William Goetter and seconded by Fred Hill to add a separate Roster of Registered Students on the Web Site. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by William Goetter and seconded by Linda Jordan to keep the same officers as elected the previous year. The motion passed unanimously.

The time being 11:45 a.m., the Chair called for a 30 minute recess in order for a lunch break.

Kim Morgan, representing the Alabama Hospital Association exited at this time.

At 12:25 p.m., the Board reconvened.

A motion was made by Fred Hill and seconded by Linda Jordan to schedule Board Meetings for 2006 for March 23rd, June 15th, September 21st, and December 7th with the understanding that the Chair can reschedule or call special meetings as needed. The motion passed unanimously.

At approximately 12:30 p.m., a motion was made by Linda Jordan and seconded by William Goetter to enter into Executive Session to consider the general reputation and character, physical condition, professional competence, and mental health of applicant files SR 47 - 61 in accordance with Section VII(1) of the Open Meeting Act. The Chair called for a vote from the Board. Voting Aye: Fred Hill, William Goetter, Linda Jordan, and Ronda Hood; Voting Nay: 0; the motion passed unanimously.

The Chair announced that the Board estimated to reconvene in Open Session at approximately 1:00 p.m.

At approximately 1: 15 p.m., the Board reconvened in Open Session.

A motion was made by Fred Hill and seconded by Ronda Hood to approve the reviewed applicants for licensure, except SR 47, 55, & 56, pending a clear NBRC disciplinary database check and clearance of checks. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Fred Hill and seconded by Linda Jordan to approve SR 47 and 55 pending completion of verification of credentials, clear NBRC disciplinary database, and check clearance. The motion was passed unanimously.

At approximately, 1:45 p.m. a motion was made by Linda Jordan and seconded by Fred Hill to enter into Executive Session to consider the general reputation and character, physical condition, professional competence, and mental health of applicant files SR 56 in accordance with Section VII(1) of the Open Meeting Act. The Chair called for a vote from the Board. Voting Aye: Fred Hill, William Goetter, Linda Jordan, and Ronda Hood; Voting Nay: 0; the motion passed unanimously

The Chair announced that the Board would reconvene in Open Session at approximately 1:55 p.m.

At 1:55 p.m, the Board reconvened in Open Session.

A motion was made by Fred Hill and seconded by William Goetter to approve Stanley Smallwood's application for licensure pending a clear NBRC disciplinary database and check clearance. The motion passed unanimously.

The time being 2:00 p.m., Linda Jordan and Sandy Speakman left the meeting in order to attend to other engagements.

A motion was made by Ronda Hood and seconded by William Goetter to approve files as reviewed for licensure pending random criminal background checks and clearance of checks. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Ronda Hood and seconded by Fred Hill to approve incomplete applications as reviewed pending receipt of minor information requested. The motion passed unanimously.

At 3:17 p.m., William Goetter made a motion to enter into Executive Session for Review of files SR 62-63 to consider the general reputation and character, physical condition, professional competence, and mental health of applicant files SR 62, and SR 63 in accordance with Section VII(1) of the Open Meeting Act. Fred Hill seconded the motion. The Chair called for a vote from the Board. Voting Aye: Fred Hill, Ronda Hood, and William Goetter; Voting Nay: 0; the motion passed unanimously.

The Chair announced that the Board would reconvene in Open Session in approximately five minutes.

At 3:20 p.m., the Board reconvened in Open Session.

A motion was made by Fred Hill to approve Linda Sapp and Karla Rugg pending clear NBRC Disciplinary Database check and clearance of checks. The motion was seconded by William Goetter and unanimously carried by the Board.

A motion was made by William Goetter and seconded by Fred Hill to approve the days travel vouchers for Board Members. The motion passed unanimously.

The Chair announced that the next regularly scheduled Board Meeting is scheduled for March 23, 2006.

The time being 3:20 p.m. and there being no further Board business, William Goetter made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Fred Hill and unanimously carried by the Board.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ronda Hood, Chair

Fred Hill, Vice Chair