

Clinical Laboratory Personnel Committee

October 10, 2015 - 10:00 a.m.

Law Offices of Adams and Reese

Baton Rouge, LA

Members Present: Cheryl Caskey; Brian Vidrine; George Roberts; Mary Muslow; Beverly Ogden, MD; Dana Grant

Guests Present: Rebecca Smith (Adams and Reese); Patsy Jarreau, AD, CLPC; Josie Roberts; Madelyn Roberts; Elizabeth Smith; Phyllis Toups; Louanne Lawrence

I. Call to order

Meeting called to order at approximately 10:15 AM. A quorum was present.

II. Minutes of the last meeting

A motion to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2015 meeting, with one correction, by George Roberts. Second by Cheryl Caskey. All approved, motion passed.

III. LSBME Office Update

A. A new analyst, Keshan Williams, has been hired to replace Nile Hull, and Mrs Bigelow to retire in January with replacement to follow.

B. Renewals for 2016 will once again be web-based. Will be available in early November.

IV. New Laboratory Assistant Checklist

A "final" version was presented for review. There are a few minor changes to be made.

Motion: To send the final version of the 2015 Laboratory Assistant checklist to the LSBME for their review and approval. Will ask the Board as part of the approval to require the checklist to be submitted annually by the licensee.

Motion made by Dana Grant, second by Brian Vidrine. All approved, motion passed.

V. CLPC Appointments

Numerous appointments/nominations are currently stalled in the governor's office. A few of the nominees have completed initial paperwork. To check on the status, Sara Cambon with the Boards and Commissions office may be contacted at (225) 342-0919.

VI. Executive Session

Motion made to begin by Dana Grant, second by George Roberts. All approved.

Motion made to exit by Brian Vidrine, second by George Roberts. All approved.

VII. Other Business

Motion: To request, of the LSBME, a pay raise for Patsy Jarreau.

Motion made to by Cheryl Caskey, second by Dana Grant. All approved, motion passed.

General discussion:

- A. Respiratory therapists may include Co-Ox with blood gas analysis as long as these analytes are included on the blood gas analyzer. They may not perform them otherwise without the appropriate license.
- B. A former licensee was grandfathered in under initial licensure but let his license lapse. The CLPC feels that this individual must meet current criteria for re-instatement in the same category.
- C. Discussion RE: Histotechs
 - 1. Histotechs must be licensed to “gross” specimens.
 - 2. Histotechs do not qualify as a “specialist”.
 - 3. A license is not needed to be a “Pathology Assistant”.
- D. In other states Lab Directors are required to maintain a license, theory being they need the education piece.
- E. DCLS Programs becoming popular progression of the profession.

VIII. Next meeting date

January 30, 2016

IX. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 11:41 am by Cheryl Caskey, second by George Roberts. All approved, motion passed.