

**THE LOUISIANA STATE
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

**MINUTES
OF
MEETING**

**APRIL 16, 2007
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA**

A meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, pursuant to call of the President and lawful notice, was duly convened and called to order at 8:30 a.m., Monday, April 16, 2007 by order of the President, at the offices of the Board, 630 Camp Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Board Members were present as follows:

Kweli J. Amusa, M.D., President
Linda Gage-White, M.D., Ph.D., Vice-President
Mark Henry Dawson, M.D., Secretary-Treasurer
Melvin G. Bourgeois, M.D.
Keith C. Ferdinand, M.D.
Tonya Hawkins Sheppard, M.D.

Board Member absent as follows:

Kim Edward LeBlanc, M.D., Ph.D.

The following members of the Board's staff were present:

Robert L. Marier, M.D., Executive Director
Cecilia Ann Mouton, M.D., Director of Investigations
Emily Dianne Eisenhauer, M.D., Assistant Director of Investigations
Grace Hammons, Program Compliance Officer Manager
Christine Holder, Program Compliance Officer III
Merian Glasper, Director of Licensure
Rita L. Arceneaux, Confidential Executive Assistant
Legal counsel to the Board were present as follows:

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Judge Frederick S. Ellis
Philip O. Bergeron

1. **Minutes of March 2007.** The Board reviewed the minutes of its meeting of March 19, 2007. Motion was made by Dr. Gage-White, seconded, and unanimously carried, to approve the minutes of the meetings together with the executive sessions conducted during such meeting with all necessary corrections.
2. **Confirmation of Interim Board Actions.** The Board reviewed the interim Board actions in the matter of Milton Moore Slocum, M.D. and Robert Fernando Ordonez, M.D., in which the Board voted to invoke the Sick Physician Statute and summarily suspend their licenses. Following review and discussion, upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board affirmed the interim Board actions.
3. **Status Report on Action Items of Prior Board Meetings; Report on Assignments to Counsel.** The Board noted that all action items as assigned to staff and counsel from previous meetings had been completed.
4. **Rules and Regulations.**
 - a. Final Rules/Amendments: None since the last meeting of the Board
 - b. Rules/Amendments: Noticed for Intent: *Physicians and Surgeons: Collaborative Drug Therapy:* Act 627/SB679 (2006 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature) amended the pharmacy law to provide that the Board and Pharmacy Board shall publish *Notice of Intent* to adopt rules dealing with collaborative drug therapy management within 120 days from the effective day of the amendment, *i.e.*, August 15, 2006 or by December 15, 2006 at the latest. (See SB 679 for further details) A draft was prepared and circulated to the Executive Director of the Pharmacy Board for discussion. A draft rule was then considered by the Board at its meeting of September 18, 2006. A special call meeting was held on October 13, 2006 to review further revisions to the proposed rules. Following discussion, the Board voted to publish *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendments in the November 2006 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. During the twenty-day period prescribed for a public hearing (ending December 11, 2006) no requests were received. Three written comments were received, all dated December 21, 2006, the last day of the written comment period. Due to these discrepancies, discussions were held between both Boards and modifications were suggested that would render them very near duplicates of the other. These suggestions were considered and approved by the Board during its meeting of February 12, 2007, following which the Board determined to provide notice in the *Louisiana Register* of substantive changes to the rules previously proposed, hold a hearing to receive comments with respect to the proposed changes, and thereafter proceed in accordance with the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act. The public hearing is scheduled for Friday, April 20, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. *Physicians and Surgeons - Temporary Permits (Visiting Physician, Professor, Short-Term Residency/Preceptorship Permits):* In view of difficulties experienced by applicants for certain short-term permits, staff proposed certain amendments to eliminate administrative burdens, delays and costs currently associated with the processing of restricted provisional temporary permits issued by the Board to visiting physicians who provide a service to the citizens of this state, to visiting professors who provide instruction or education to Louisiana physicians or graduate medical students, and to those physicians who rotate through a short-term residency program or serve a preceptorship in a medical school or accredited

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institution in this state for purposes of graduate medical education. Proposed amendments were presented to the Board for consideration at its meeting of December 11, 2006 to address several items. First, the amendments would allow these applicants and the Board to forego submission, collection and processing of criminal history record information. That process typically takes ninety days and is impractical with respect to the restricted provisional nature of these temporary permits given that applicants are in the state but for a brief period of time. Often visiting physicians are in Louisiana as little as one day to attend to a single patient, but in no event more than ninety days. In addition, all of these permittees will be vouched for and performing under the inviting Louisiana physician (visiting physician), or medical school or institution (visiting professor, short-term residency/preceptorship). Second, the proposed rule amendment will eliminate the need for a personal appearance (short-term residency and preceptorship permits), and facilitate the Board's use of electronic technology for processing forms, applications and conducting its own verification of licensure status and for other purposes specified in the proposed amendments. Finally, inasmuch as visiting physicians and professors provide a valuable service to the citizens of this state by attending to Louisiana patients and educating physicians, the proposed rule amendments also allows the Board to waive the \$100 fee for the approximate 20-30 anticipated number of annual applicants for these categories of restricted temporary permits. Louisiana citizens who receive healthcare services from physicians issued restricted provisional temporary permits under the proposed rule amendments, and Louisiana physicians, graduate medical students, who receive instruction and training (and in turn their current and future patients who are citizens of this state) will receive an unquantifiable benefit by virtue of the expertise of visiting physicians and/or professors. Following review and discussion, the Board authorized publication of a *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendments, which appeared in the February 2007 edition of the *Louisiana Register*.

c. Rules Under Development - Respiratory Therapy. The Advisory Committee for Respiratory Therapy prepared a number of amendments to Chapter 25 (46XLV.2501-2569) of the respiratory therapy rules (Licensure). Dr. Ferdinand, the Board's liaison to the Committee and counsel reviewed the proposed rule amendments and worked with the Committee to develop a more comprehensive draft for the Board's consideration. In December 2005 a further draft, containing additional modifications not previously addressed, along with proposed amendments to the Respiratory Therapy Practice Act administered by the Board were offered by the Committee. Further review and discussion, the Board determined to defer the rulemaking effort pending outcome of legislative consideration of the proposed amendments to the Respiratory Therapy Practice Act. In the interim, Dr. Ferdinand, counsel and staff met with representatives of the Advisory Committee to discuss and assist with revisions to the Respiratory Practice Act. A copy of the Committee's suggestions for revisions were considered by the Board at its meeting of February 12, 2007. A final draft of the proposed revisions to the Respiratory Therapy Practice Act prepared by the House Legislative Committee will be reviewed as soon as it is available. Midwifery: The Midwifery Advisory Committee suggested a number of amendments to the Board's midwifery rules on licensing, 46XLV.2301-2373 and practice, 46X:V.5301-5363. Members of the Committee met with the Board during its January 2005 meeting to discuss their suggestions. The Board reviewed the proposed amendments at its meeting of February 15, 2005 and appointed a Subcommittee to study the issue and report their recommendations to the full Board. The Board's Subcommittee studied the Advisory Committee's suggestions and provided draft recommendations for their review and discussion. A reply to the Subcommittee's recommendations, dated June 26, 2006, was received, and the Subcommittee met during the July 2006 meeting and accepted some of the recommendations and rejected others. A revised draft was sent to the Advisory Committee on August 8, 2006 with the request that any final

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modifications be received in time to place a final draft on the September 2006 agenda for the Board's consideration. The Midwifery Advisory Committee and several individual midwives expressed concern over several areas of the proposed revisions and requested a meeting. A meeting was held between the Subcommittee and the Advisory Committee in November 2006 to discuss their concerns. A revised draft was forwarded to the Midwifery Advisory Committee in January 2007 and a reply was received accepting the changes in February 2007, but providing further recommendations on one section of the rules. A further draft to address this issue was sent to the Committee in March. It is anticipated that the Committee's task will soon be concluded and a recommendation presented to the Board in the near future. Perfusion The Advisory Committee for Perfusionists submitted an initial draft of rules for the Board's consideration. Following review and discussion, the Board appointed Dr. Ferdinand and Board counsel to work with the Advisory Committee in the formulation of administrative rules relating to the licensure and practice of perfusion in this state. Dr. Ferdinand and counsel met with the Advisory Committee Chair to assist in developing a more comprehensive, focused draft of rules for the Board's consideration. As soon as the draft is received, reviewed and Dr. Ferdinand has had an opportunity to confer with the Advisory Committee and a draft of the proposed rules is finalized, it will be presented to the Board for consideration. Physicians and Surgeons: Registered Dispensing Physicians: Licensure and Practice: The Board requested that its existing rules governing registered dispensing physicians be modified relative to controlled substances. Several draft modifications were considered by the Board during its August 2006 meeting. The Board is in the process of studying the rules to determine if further modifications are in order. Physicians and Surgeons- Mid-Level Providers: The Board has appointed a committee to work on the development of rules relative to supervision, collaboration and consultation with mid-level providers. As soon as a draft is finalized, it will be presented to the Board for discussion and consideration. Physician Assistants: An analysis of the current PA rules is being undertaken; particularly, the substantive roles of supervising physicians, locum tenens, supervising groups, as well as scope of practice issues. It is anticipated that rule amendments will be presented to the Physician Assistant Advisory Committee for review and input and thereafter to the Board for consideration. Physicians and Surgeons- Rural Physician Self-Referral: During its 2006 regular session, the Louisiana legislature adopted Act 819, which prohibits Louisiana licensed physicians from making any referral for services to a healthcare facility located in the primary service area of a rule hospital, in which the referring physician or an immediate family member owns a direct or indirect ownership interest. The Act provides relevant exceptions and requires the Board to adopt rules and regulations providing that violation of the law provides cause for action against the physician's license. The draft rule was presented to the Board for consideration. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to solicit input from the Louisiana State Medical Society.

5. Ruling and Advisory Opinions; Determination of Medical Necessity. The Board reviewed correspondence received from Natalie Banda, Regulatory Compliance Coordinator, Zurich Services Corporation, asking if the Board's Statement of Position (ASOP®) regarding the Determination of Medical Necessity dated March 25, 1998 continued to be the Board's opinion which stated that any diagnosis, prescription, recommendation for or administration of treatment, including the determination of medical necessity or appropriateness of proposed medical care, so as to affect the diagnosis or treatment for or with respect to any individual who is a resident of Louisiana constitutes the practice of medicine in this state, and therefore may only be performed by a physician licensed to practice medicine in Louisiana. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to inform Ms. Banda that while the SOP continues to be the Board's opinion, the Louisiana Legislature amended the law relative to Medical Necessity Review Organization (AMNROs®) to require a MNRO to be licensed by the Commissioner of Insurance and have a medical director who is a duly licensed physician and

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set requirements for internal and external reviews. In accordance with the law regarding MNROs, it is the Board's opinion that any physician making or reviewing the propriety of internal medical necessity determinations for Louisiana citizens and others located in this state is required to hold a Louisiana medical license and physicians serving as clinical peers for independent review organizations conducting external reviews need only possess an unrestricted license in any state and possess ABMS specialty certification in the pertinent area subject to external review.

6. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Out-of-State Medical Review Officers. The Board reviewed correspondence received from Sheila C. Myers, Attorney-at-Law, seeking an advisory opinion on the requirement for licensure of out-of-state physicians serving as medical review officers. In this particular instance, the physician will be the medical review officer (AMRO®) for a Louisiana company who plans to conduct random drug testing for its employees. As outlined in her correspondence, the MRO is to review the test results, contact and either speak or meet with an employee whose results suggest a positive finding and evaluate any explanation provided before interpreting and/or diagnosing the employee's test as positive or negative. Ms. Myers makes reference to the applicability of federal law and regulations, i.e., the Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to inform Ms. Myers that if the employer does not qualify for application of federal law, which was undeterminable from the facts presented, then it is the Board's opinion that licensure is required for a physician making a diagnosis for or with respect to an individual who is a resident of Louisiana, i.e., diagnostic drug testing. Conversely, if the employer does fall within the scope of law and regulations governed by the Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act, then state law would be preempted by federal law and regulation, and a physician serving as a MRO need only possess a license to practice in any one state or province of the United States.

7. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Respiratory Therapy; Scope of Practice. The Board reviewed correspondence received from Raymond Pisani, BS, RRT-NPS, Director of Cardiopulmonary Care and Chairman of the Respiratory Therapy Advisory Committee seeking an advisory opinion on the ability of respiratory therapists to make their own evaluations and recommendations, such for example as frequency of treatments, type of medications and ventilator parameters, for patients who receive respiratory and/or ventilator care in the hospital setting. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to inform Mr. Pisani that under the law and rules for respiratory therapy, it would be inappropriate and unlawful for a respiratory therapist to either implement his or her own plan of care for a patient or to disregard the plan ordered by a physician.

8. Communication and Information; Drug Enforcement Administration. The Board reviewed a communication from Mark W. Caverly, Chief, Liaison and Policy Section, Office of Diversion Control, announcing the 16th Drug Enforcement Administration National Conference on Pharmaceutical and Chemical Diversion to be held in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida from June 5-7, 2007. Following brief discussion, upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board authorized Drs. Mouton and Eisenhower to attend the conference on behalf of the Board.

9. Communication and Information; Remote Area Medical News; Follow-up. The Board reviewed the response prepared by Dr. Marier at the request of Dr. Ferdinand regarding the article in an issue of Remote Area Medical News regarding the health fair that took place in New Orleans between January 28 to February 3, 2007. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to approve the response as written.

10. General Administrative Matters; President's Report. The Board received the report of the President on her activities since the last meeting of the Board. Dr. Amusa discussed adding information to the interview form to indicate the applicant has gone through the FCVS process.

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11. General Administrative Matters; Executive Director's Report. The Board received the report of the Executive Director on his activities since the last meeting of the Board. Dr. Marier discussed the development of legislation regarding the retention of Board funds should the Camp Street property be sold, development of consulting contracts for future aspects of renovation/acquisition/sell of the facility, and reported that the Physicians' Health Foundation had agreed to handle monitoring of all allied health professionals in addition to physicians. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

12. General Administrative Matters; Renewal Questions. The Board reviewed draft modifications to the questions asked on the annual renewal application. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to modify questions on the initial application as well. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

13. General Administrative Matters; Acu Detox Specialists. The Board reviewed correspondence from Laura Cooley, L.Ac. Registered NADA Trainer asking the Board to consider creation of a special category of care providers known as Acu Detox Specialists who are trained and certified by the National Acupuncture Detoxification Association. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to defer action on this matter and seek the advice of the Integrative and Alternative Medicine Advisory Committee.

14. Other Licensure Matters; Temporary Permit for Educational Purposes. The Board reviewed the request of Leslie McGee, L.Ac., RN, for the issuance of temporary permits to acupuncture lecturers/instructors in order for them to engage in the practice of acupuncture for educational purposes at the annual American Association of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine Conference to be held May 9-13, 2007. Following review and discussion, upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved issuance of the temporary permits for educational purposes only.

15. General Administrative Matters; Annual Renewal. At the request of Dr. Ferdinand, the Board discussed annual renewals and the feasibility of renewal occurring every two years. Following brief discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to continue the renewal process on a yearly basis.

[16.] Physicians Health Committee. At the request of Dr. Bourgeois, the Board convened in executive session, to consider the reports of Dr. Amusa on the meeting of the Physicians Health Committee held at 12:00 p.m., Monday, April 16, 2007, and as fully reported in the minutes thereof. Following the review, the Board resumed in open session. Upon motions made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board took the following action:

- a. Parent, Mark Alan, M.D. - To approve the Consent Order in the matter of Mark Alan Parent, M.D., placing his license on probation for a period five years.
- b. McCarthy, James Maddock, Jr., M.D. - To approve the Consent Order in the matter of James Maddock McCarthy, Jr., M.D., placing his license on probation for a period of five years.
- c. Dunn, David Howard Lester, M.D. - To approve reinstatement of the suspended license of David Howard Lester Dunn, M.D., on probation.

[17.] Investigative Report. Continuing in executive session, the Board considered the investigative reports as a matter relating to allegations of misconduct and the character and professional conduct of

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a licensee, La. Rev. Stat. ' 42:6.1 A(4). Following the review, the Board resumed in open session. Upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board made the following decisions:

- a. Consent Orders: To approved the Consent Orders in the following matters:

Rodney J. Krumm, CLP, Docket No., 07-I-117
Susan Frances Julius, M.D., Docket No., 07-I-170
Stephanie Harris Bowers, PA, Docket No., 06-I-653

- b. Stipulation and Agreement for Voluntary Surrender of Clinical Laboratory Scientist - Generalist License. To approve the Stipulation and Agreement for Voluntary Surrender of Clinical Laboratory Scientists-Generalist License in the following matter:

Haywood B. Joiner, Jr., Docket No., 06-I-444

- c. Discontinued. The following matters were discontinued with satisfactory dispositions:

Docket No., 07-I-182¹
Docket No., 07-I-048²

- d. Administrative Complaint. The following administrative complaint was approved for filing and for scheduling of a formal hearing:

Docket No., 06-I-413

[18.] Investigative Reports; Personal Appearance; Mark Alan Parent, M.D. Continuing in executive session, Mark Alan Parent, M.D., appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order. Dr. Parent acknowledged he understood the terms of the Consent Order. He further acknowledged his understanding that the order is a public record.

[19.] Investigative Reports; Personal Appearance; James Maddock McCarthy, M.D. Continuing in executive session, James Maddock McCarthy, M.D., appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order. Dr. McCarthy acknowledged he understood the terms of the Consent Order. He further acknowledged his understanding that the order is a public record.

[20.] Investigative Reports; Personal Appearance; David Howard Lester Dunn, M.D. Continuing in executive session, David Howard Lester Dunn, M.D., appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order. Dr. Dunn acknowledged he understood the terms of the Consent Order reinstating his suspended license. He further acknowledged his understanding that the order is a public record.

¹ Application for reinstatement was granted.

² Cease and Desist Letter

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[21.] Professional Liability Report. Continuing in executive session, the Board considered the report of Dr. Eisenhower on professional liability cases reviewed since the last meeting of the Board as matters relating to allegations of misconduct and the character and professional conduct of licensees, La. Rev. Stat. ' 42:6.1 A(4). No further action was required or taken on these matters.

[22.] Personal Appearances/Docket Calendar. Continuing in executive session, the Board reviewed the calendar of personal appearances and docketed hearings, as matters relating to allegations of misconduct and the character and professional conduct of licensees, La. Rev. Stat. ' 42:6.1 A(4).

[23.] Report on Pending Litigation. Continuing in executive session, the Board received 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. ' 42:6.1 A(2). No further action was required or taken in this matter.

[24.] General Disciplinary Matters. Continuing in executive session, the Board considered requests relating to the execution or modification of a Decision and/or Consent Order as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct of licensees, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. ' 42:6.1. Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session and upon motion made and passed by unanimous voice vote, took the following actions:

- a. Probation Report - The Board noted the activity reports for the probation department submitted for this month.
- b. Site Visits - The Board reviewed the report of site visits for physician assistants and supervising physicians submitted for this month.
- c. Dispensing Physicians= Site Visits - The Board noted the report of the dispensing physicians=site visits submitted for this month.

[25.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Victor Fuselier, PA. Continuing in executive session, Victor Fuselier, PA, appeared before the Board in connection with the compliance of his probationary period. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, voted to reinstate the license of Victor Fuselier, PA to a full, unrestricted status.

[26.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Anthony L. Shields, M.D. Continuing in executive session, Anthony L. Shields, M.D., appeared before the Board in connection with the compliance of his probationary period. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, voted to reinstate the license of Anthony L. Shields, M.D., to a full, unrestricted status, off probation.

[27.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Eric Frank Jacobs, M.D. Continuing in executive session, Eric Frank Jacobs, M.D., appeared before the Board in connection with the compliance of his probationary period. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by majority voice vote, voted to reinstate the license of Eric Frank Jacobs, M.D., to a full, unrestricted status, off probation.³

³ Dr. Gage-White opposed this matter.

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[28.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Charles Edward Baxter, M.D. Continuing in executive session, Charles Baxter Edward Baxter, M.D., appeared before the Board in connection with his request for reinstatement of his prescribing privileges. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, voted to deny his request.

[29.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Kerry Jane Berthold, M.D. Kerry Jane Berthold, M.D., appeared before the Board in connection with the request for reinstatement of her license to a full, unrestricted status, off probation. Following her dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved reinstatement of the license of Kerry Jane Berthold, M.D., off probation the restriction on her prescribing privileges remaining.

30. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Postgraduate Medical Education Training Program. The Board reviewed the request of Rodney J. Hoxsey, M.D., Associate Clinical Professor, Resident Program Director, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology for exemption to '411A6 of the Board's rules relative to the postgraduate medical education training program requirement that the program not be on a probationary status with the ACGME. The LSUHSC-NO Resident Training Program in Obstetrics and Gynecology was accredited on a probationary status by the ACGME in October 2005 and a site visit is scheduled for October 2007. Dr. Hoxsey reports that all areas are now in compliance, and the program should be re-accredited following the next review. Following review and discussion, upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the exemption to the Board's rules for the LSUHSC-NO Resident Training Program in Obstetrics and Gynecology.

31. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Walter Ross Cazayoux, M.D. The Board reviewed the request of Walter Ross Cazayoux, M.D., for issuance of his license number pending the result of the criminal background check in order for him to apply for hospital privileges and to various insurance companies as a health care provider. Dr. Cazayoux' application had been approved for licensure at the last meeting of the Board, however, it is the policy of the Board not to issue a license number until clearance of the criminal background. Following review and discussion, upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved issuance of a license number to Walter Ross Cazayoux, M.D., noting if criminal history was found, the Board was in a position to take action against his license.

32. Licensure and Certification; Clinical Laboratory Personnel. The Board reviewed the applications submitted for clinical laboratory personnel licensure and upon motion made, duly seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote, made the following decisions:

- a. Approved - To approve the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Generalists

Aycock, Sherry J.
Bryant-Barnes, Leah D.
Candler, Jessica M.
Daigle, Jeffrey J.

Fontenot, Sara R.
Moses, Grace M.
Richard, Roger K.
Scott, Arianne L.

Generalist - Trainee

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Tucker, Caleb R.

Specialist - Temporary Permit

Castille, Kourtney K.

Gaddison, Trisha R.

Technician - Temporary Permit

Baker, Danica D.

Hall, Erica R.

Laboratory Assistants

Allen, Darnette G.
Bourque, Kami F.
Cain, Erma L.
Cephus, Latrenna A.
Coleman, Natalie L.
DeCourt, Bliss B.
Derozan, Veronica J.
Ellender, Jennifer L.
Forbes, Regina H.
Fortenberry, Janicia M.
Jones, Taminika D.
LeFranc, Melinda F.
Noil, Rachelle M.
Outlaw, Roger Dale, Jr.

Pennuell, Ashley N.
Saulsberry, Sonja N.
Southern, Ginger M.
Washington, April L.
Whatley, Erica L.
Wilbert, Tina D.

Laboratory Assistant Trainee

Boyd, Karen L.

Phlebotomists

Belin, Bobbie J.
Fairchild, Baronica M.
Hart, Tiffany N.

Ivanic, Ann S.
Louis, Kendra T.

Upgrade to Generalist

Falkenstine, Kietashambita B.
Rhodes, Courtney A.

Savoie, Jwana N.

Upgrade to Technician - Temporary Permit

Battiste, Venisha D.

Lee, Michelle Y.

Upgrade to Technician

Fontana, Jodeen
Kelone, Heath L.

Klein, Mandy E.

Upgrade to Laboratory Assistant

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Redmon, Tammy K.

Whiddon, Dessia C..

Upgrade to Phlebotomist

Burden, Michele E.

b. Deferred - To defer action on the application of the following pending receipt of additional information:

Generalist - Temporary Permit

Briede, Albert Emile

33. Licensure and Certification; Respiratory Therapy. The Board reviewed the applications submitted and upon motion made and unanimously carried, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Certified Respiratory Therapists

Ferguson, Latonya D.
Forest, Jarrett S.
Havard, Katherine W.

Houser, Sheryl A.
Jackson, Shkai C.
Nguyen, Hong-Hoa T.

Registered Respiratory Therapists

Cooper, Kelly R.
Dixon, Calvin L.
Estrada, Sayra Yessenia

Lirette, Troy A.
Lowe, Paul T.
Wallace, Yulanda R.

Certified Eligible Respiratory Therapists - 12 Month Temporary Permit

Byrd, Brian F.
Le, Terry Minh

Mosley, Denise Adams

34. Licensure and Certification; Occupational Therapy. The Board considered the applications submitted and upon motion made and unanimously carried, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Occupational Therapist - Examination

Brimmer-Christophe, Tyra S.
Cross, Candice Nicole
Dufour, Heather Mary
Gipson, Brandon Rashun

Hendrix, Cynthia Diane
Lemoine, Michelle Lea
Riley, Troquel Eden

Occupational Therapist - Reciprocity

Barker, Amanda Stokes

Delahoussaye, Mary Hill

Occupational Therapy Assistant - Examination

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Hobdy, Augusta Ruth
Lemoine, Eve
Patel, Avni Ashok

Pilgreen, Charity Renee
Poland, Henry Ray, Jr.
Reeves, Amber Nicole

Occupational Therapy Assistant - Reciprocity

Malloy, Kelly Ann

35. Licensure and Certification; Athletic Trainers. The Board considered the applications submitted and upon motion made and unanimously carried, made the following decisions:

- a. Approved - To approve the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

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Perryman, Wayne Preston

West, Vanessa Ann

- b. Trahan, Gage Allen - To approve issuance of a third temporary permit pending receipt of BOC certification.

36. Licensure and Certification; Physician Assistants. The Board considered the items submitted and upon motion made, duly seconded, and carried by majority voice vote, made the following decisions:

- a. Supervising Physicians - To approve the applications of the following, noting in accordance with the Board's rules, new supervising physicians for physician assistants were to be interviewed by a Board member:

Ballester, Oscar Francisco, M.D.
Boinapally, Vaidehi, M.D.
Braswell, John Joseph, M.D.
Devraj, Timothy, M.D.
Dunn, Shawn Galloway, M.D.
Luna-Jimenez, Max Alberto, M.D.
Maguire, Herbert Stephen, M.D.
Marion, Jay M., M.D.
Masha, Omodele Julie, M.D.
McCarthy, Kevin Patrick, M.D.

Nguyen, Hai Nam, M.D.
Palo, Matti William, M.D.
Pham, Jyoti Sharma, M.D.
Scott, Louie Keith, M.D.
Scrantz, Kelly Jude, M.D.
Soleau, Scott Willis, M.D.
Stubbs, Malcolm Jay, M.D.
Turturro, Francesco, M.D.
Zaidi, Syed, W., M.D.

- b. Intent to Practice (Supervising Physician). To approve the supervising physician for the following previously approved physician assistants:

- 1) Alexander, Juanita, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Tilak Kumar Mallik, 1111 Medical Center Boulevard, Suite S 113, Marrero.
- 2) Bergeron, Katherine Ponder, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Anuj Steve Narang, Pediatric Hospitalists of LA, LLC, 7777 Hennessy Boulevard, Suite 103, Baton Rouge.

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- 3) Bowers, Stephanie Harris, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Gregory S. Bevels, Primary Care Specialists, LLC, 3812 Prescott Road, Alexandria.
- 4) Breaux, Andree Celeste, PAC - Supervising physician: Dr. Jay M. Marion, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, 1501 Kings Highway, Shreveport.
- 5) Cutting, Eva June Matilda, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Olga E. Reaville, Acadian Healthplex, 2501 West Pinhook Road, Lafayette.
- 6) Defelice, Sandra Fanguie, PAC - Supervising physicians: Drs. Thomas B. Flynn and Kelly J. Scrantz, The Neuro Medical Center, 10101 Park Rowe Avenue, Suite 200, Baton Rouge.
- 7) Doolittle, Elizabeth Michelle, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Richard Michael, Christus Health Northern Louisiana, One Saint Mary Place, Shreveport.
- 8) Duncan, Cheryl Eaton, PAC - Supervising physician: Dr. Jay M. Marion, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, 1501 Kings Highway, Shreveport.
- 9) Edward, Alice Mae, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Anil Nanda, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, Department of Neurosurgery, 1501 Kings Highway, Shreveport.
- 10) Fifer, Nicole Elaine, PAC - Supervising physicians: Drs. Vaidehi Boinapally and Omodele Masha, Ochsner Medical Center - Westbank, 4225 Lapalco, Marerro and 3401 Behrman Place, Algiers.
- 11) Leary, Cheri Deyon, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Francesco Turturro, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, 1501 Kings Highway, Shreveport.
- 12) Matthews, Charles Felton, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Robert Scott Thomas, CVT Surgical Center, 7777 Hennessy Avenue, Suite 1008, Baton Rouge.
- 13) Peak, Lauren Leigh, PA - Supervising physicians: Drs. Oscar F. Ballester, Francesco Turturro and Dr. John W. Hiemenz, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, 1501 Kings Highway, Shreveport.
- 14) Pippin, Kristin Ann, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Hai N. Nguyen, Gretna Medical Clinic, LLC, 1221 Amelia Street, Gretna.
- 15) Pitre, Marc E., PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Kevin P. McCarthy, Bone and Joint Clinic of Baton Rouge, Inc., 7301 Hennessy Boulevard, Suite 200, Baton Rouge.
- 16) Ponthier, Dane C., PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Jonathan S. Forester, 2809 Donahue Ferry Road, Pineville.
- 17) Prevot, Troy James, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Graham Tujague, Convenient Care LLC, 7777 Hennessy Boulevard, Suite 1004-154, Baton Rouge.
- 18) Sheffield, Sommer Sheree, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Malcolm J. Stubbs,

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4015 I-49 S. Service Road, Opelousas.

19) Simolke, Eric Todd, PAC - Supervising physician: Dr. H. Stephen Maguire, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, Department of Surgery, 1501 Kings Highway, Shreveport.

20) Walker, Allison Gray, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. John J. Braswell, Spine Diagnostic and Pain Treatment Center, 5408 Flanders Drive, Baton Rouge.

21) Whitaker, Kelli Kinchen, PA - Supervising physicians: Drs. Shawn G. Dunn and Jyoti S. Pham, The NeuroMedical Center, 10101 Park Rowe Avenue, Suite 200, Baton Rouge.

c. Locum Tenens. To approve the locum tenens applications of the following provided all requirements had been met:

1) Burdine, J. Michael, M.D. - Supervising physician. Locum tenens: Dr. John J. Braswell, The Spine Treatment Center, 5408 Flanders Drive, Baton Rouge.

2) Ponder, Jimmy, Jr., M.D. - Supervising physician. Locum tenens: Dr. Adolfo Cuadra, Headache & Pain Center, AMA, 123 Fontage Road, A, Gray.

3) Strubbs, Malcolm, M.D. - Supervising physician. Locum tenens: Dr. Gary Porubsky, 4015 I-49 South Service Road, Opelousas.

4) Valiulis, John, M.D. - Supervising physician. Locum tenens: Dr. Herbert S. Maguire, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, 1501 Kings Highway, Shreveport.

d. Prescriptive Authority. To approve the applicants for prescriptive authority in accordance with promulgated of the rules effective January 20, 2005 provided all requirements had been met:

1) Barrett, Jennifer, PAC - Supervising physicians: Drs. Howard I. Brenner, William M. Meyers, George E. Catinis, George R. Puente, Charles G. Schibler and Sanjeeva Reddy, 4228 Houma Boulevard, Suite 520, Metairie and 1111 Medical Center Boulevard, Suite S-450, Marrero.

2) Pitre, Robbie Sheridan, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Edward D. Sledge, Ochsner Clinic Foundation, 9001 Summa Avenue, Baton Rouge

3) Powell, Christopher Wayne, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. John R. Stephenson, South Louisiana Medical Association, 1978 Industrial Boulevard, Houma.

4) Savoie, Timothy Jude, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Richard Harrell, 2400 Hospital Drive, Suite 130, Bossier City.

e. Transfer to New Supervising Physician - To approve the following transfer to new supervising physicians for the following:

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1) Marshik, Mark Richard, PA - Old supervising physician: Dr. Michael T. Hackler.
New supervising physician: Dr. Carlton H. Sheely II, 7777 Hennessy Boulevard, Suite 1008, Baton Rouge.

2) Van Duzee, Anthony Leslie, PAC - Old supervising physician: Dr. John Nyboer.
New supervising physician: Dr. Francis Allen Johnston, 16777 Medical Center Drive, Suite 300, Baton Rouge.

f. New Applicants - To approve the application for the following whose supervising physician had not yet been determined:

Hebert, Michael Joseph
Pippin, Kristin Ann

Vasanji, Rupal

37. Licensure and Certification; Physicians & Surgeons; Foreign Medical Graduates. The Board reviewed the items regarding graduates of foreign medical schools and upon motion made, duly seconded and carried by unanimous voice vote, approved the applications of the following provided all requirements had been met:

a. Non- Routine - To approve the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Wittram, Conrad, M.D. - To grant the request of Conrad Wittram, M.D., for acceptance of his certification by the American Board of Radiology making him eligible for licensure.

b. Routine - To approve the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Guevara-Nieto, Jesus David
Hudaihed, Alhakam

Varma, Jai

38. Licensure and Certification; Physicians & Surgeons; U.S./Canadian Medical Graduates. The Board reviewed items submitted regarding graduates of U.S. or Canadian medical schools and upon motion made, duly seconded and carried by unanimous voice vote, made the following decisions:

a. Non-Routine - To approve the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Balfour, Eric Lee
Camrud, Marissa A.

Speights, Steven E.

b. Routine - To approve the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Andre, Michelle M.
Bass, Robert A.
Civello, Kenneth C., Jr.
Cobb, Kelly L.
David, Solomon A.

Effron, Marc S.
Gordon, Robert E.
Grow, Chelsea R., DO
Harlan, Timothy S.
Henneberry, Kyle J.

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Jaffer, Azul S.

Kavanagh, Joseph J.
Legall, Michelle E.
Levin, Steven I.
McFaul, Stacey
McQuaid, Kevin J.
Rich, Gary
Smith, Douglas K.
Stubblefield, Samuel C.
Wilson, Terrence J.
Yu, Samuel D.
Zuraff-Perryman, Lisa A.

39. Licensure and Certification; Dispensing Registration. The Board reviewed the applications submitted and upon motion made, duly seconded and carried by unanimous voice, made the following decisions:

a. Approved - To approve the following for dispensation registration provided all requirements had been met:

- 1) Ellis, Walter Wright, M.D. - 4545 Bluebonnet Boulevard, Baton Rouge. Specialty: Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation. Medications to be dispensed: As listed.
- 2) Hooper, Deirdre O-Boyle, M.D. - 3525 Prytania Street, Suite 501, New Orleans. Specialty: Dermatology. Medications to be dispensed: As listed.
- 3) Panelli-Ramery, Victoria Eugenia, M.D. - Acadiana Medical Oncology, LLC, 500 Juliette Place, Lafayette. Specialty: Internal Medicine & Oncology. Medications to be dispensed: As listed.
- 4) St. Martin, William Hanson, Sr., M.D. - 818 Verret Street, Houma. Specialty: Family Practice. Medications to be dispensed: As listed.

b. Add/Change Dispensing Location.

- 1) Burdine, John Michael, M.D. - Add: 5408 Flanders Drive, Baton Rouge. Delete: 777 Hennessey Boulevard, Suite 706, Baton Rouge.
- 2) Frickey, Leia Ann, M.D. - Add: 192 Lorraine Drive, Des Allemands. Delete: Aspen Clinic, 3501 Severn Street, Suite 23, Metairie, 11224 Boardwalk, Baton Rouge.
- 3) Jiha, Jihad George, M.D. - Add: 5408 Flanders Drive, Baton Rouge. Delete: 7777 Hennessey Boulevard, Suite 706, Baton Rouge.

40. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Relicensure/Reinstatement. The Board reviewed the applications submitted for reinstatement and upon motion made, duly seconded and unanimously carried, made the following decisions:

a. Approved - To approve reinstatement of the following provided all requirements had been met:

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Physicians and Surgeons

Auburn, Robert Mark
Lichtenstein, Richard J.

Stoffey, Robert D., DO

Occupational Therapist

Austin, Edward Frank, Jr.

Guidry, Gary Anthony

Clinical Laboratory Personnel

Generalists

Plaia, Donna S.

Savoie, Jwanna Nikki

Technician

Lee, Michelle Y.

41. Licensure and Certification; Perfusionist. The Board considered the application submitted and upon motion made and unanimously carried, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Chadwick, Kevin Pierre

42. Licensure and Certification; Polysomnography. The Board considered the applications submitted and upon motion made and unanimously carried, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Johnson, Joshua
Pearson, Dawn M.

Salmon, Maniphanh

43. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Fingerprint Discrepancies Report. The Board reviewed the reports of Cecilia Ann Mouton, M.D., Investigating Officer, on the applicants for licensure with fingerprint discrepancies. Following review, on motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote, the Board accepted the report of Dr. Mouton and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Physicians and Surgeons

Blocker, Wesley C.

Coleman, Charles Calvin

Respiratory Therapist

Blackwell, Debra A.

Weaver, Leslie K.

Clinical Laboratory Personnel

Laboratory Assistant

Dickerson, Nicole M.

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Jones, Linda Ford

Generalist

Brown, Kwana Kaynollie

44. Licensure and Certification; Podiatrist. The Board considered the application submitted and upon motion made and unanimously carried, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Saucier, Maria Noel

45. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Intern/Resident Registration. The Board reviewed the applications submitted for intern/resident registration and upon motion made and unanimously carried, made the following decisions:

- a. Approved. To approve the following for intern registration provided all requirements had been met:

Tullos, Vincent Ainsworth

- b. Deferred. To defer action on the application of the following issuance of intern registration following compliance of additional requirements:

Wolf, Edward A.

46. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Suspension of Licensees. The Board reviewed a list of licensees who had failed to submit a timely renewal for the quarter ending December 2006. Following review and discussion, upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board voted to suspend the licenses of those failing to submit a timely renewal upon final notification.

[47.] General Administrative Matters; Unclassified Employee; Merit Increase. Upon motion of Dr. Gage-White, the Board convened in executive session to review the request for approval of the annual merit increase for Rita L. Arceneaux, Confidential Executive Assistant. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to defer action on this matter until the next meeting of the Board.

48. Next Meeting of Board. The President reminded members that the next meeting of the Board was scheduled for June 18, 19, 2007.

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 April 16, 2007, as approved by the Board on the 18th day of June 2007.

Witness my hand and seal of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners this 18th day of June 2007.

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Mark Henry Dawson, M.D.
Secretary-Treasurer

Attest:

Kweli J. Amusa, M.D.
President