

**Vermont Board of Medical Practice
Minutes of the May 3, 2006 Meeting
Gifford Medical Center, Randolph, Vermont**

Approved

1. Call to Order; Call the Roll; Acknowledge Guests

James D. Cahill, Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 12:11 p.m., at Gifford Medical Center, Randolph, Vermont.

Members Present:

James D. Cahill, MD; David W. Clauss, MD; Ezekiel S. Cross; Russell P. Davignon, MD; Richard L. Guerrero, MD; Patricia A. King, MD, PhD; Denis Lamontagne, DPM; Margaret F. Martin; Sharon L. Nicol; Alexander Northern; Toby Sadkin, MD; Katherine A. Silta, PA-C; Peter Thomashow, MD; Florence Young

Others in Attendance:

James Arisman, Esq., Assistant Attorney General; Phil Ciotti, Investigator; Phil Cykon, Presiding Officer; Paula DiStabile, Executive Director; Peggy Langlais, Administrative Supervisor; Paula Nenner, Investigator; Joseph Winn, Esq., Assistant Attorney General

Arriving approximately at 1 p.m.

Lynne August, License Applicant; Eric Miller, Esq., Counsel; Marjorie Power, Esq., Presiding Officer

2. Public Comment

None.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the April 5 and 19, 2006 Board Meetings

Ms. Martin made a motion to accept the minutes of April 5 and 19, 2006. Ms. Young seconded the motion. The motion passed, opposed: none, abstained: none

4. Board Matters

Dr. Cahill said that he and Ms. DiStabile had attended the Federation of State Medical Board's recent meeting. He said that one ongoing issue of interest is that of measuring physician competence. Dr. Cahill said there are many challenges associated with the issue and that he would like to schedule some time devoted to a discussion of the issue at a later date.

5. Administrative Update (Ms. DiStabile)

Ms. DiStabile provided the following legislative updates.

- The bill related to licensure and military personnel passed with all of the changes that the Board had wanted.
- The bill related to the prescription monitoring system was up for a 3rd reading in the House.

Ms. DiStabile reminded the Board that there would be guests attending the Board meeting at some point during the day and that it is important to be mindful of whether a comment or question is appropriate for open or executive session.

6. Presentation of applications

See Appendix A

7. Recess; Convene Hearing (Mr. Cykon)

Mr. Cykon convened a hearing to consider a matter before the Board at 12:25 p.m.

In re: Eric A. Pillemer, MD, Licensing Board Matter, Stipulation and Consent Order

Ms. Martin made a motion to accept the Stipulation and Consent Order. Ms. Nicol seconded the motion. The vote was all in favor, opposed: none, abstained: Dr. Guerrero and Mr. Cross.

8. Executive Session

Ms. Martin made a motion to go into executive session to discuss investigative matters. Mr. Cross seconded the motion. The vote was all in favor, opposed: none, abstained: none.

Executive session began at 12:29 p.m.

9. Break 12:52

10. Recess; Convene Hearing (Ms. Power)

Ms. Power convened a hearing to consider a matter before the Board at 1:05 p.m.

In re: Lynne August, Review of Preliminary License Denial

After the Board considered some preliminary matters, the hearing was continued – date to be determined.

Recess; Convene Hearing (Mr. Cykon)

Mr. Cykon convened a hearing to consider a matter before the Board at 2:19 p.m.

In re: Gulnaz Cowder, MD, MPN 131-0905; MPN 148-1004; MPN 19-0106; MPN 20-0106; MPN 21-0106, State's Opposition to Respondent's Petition and State's Motion for Summary Suspension

Dr. Davignon made a motion to go into deliberative session. Mr. Cross seconded the motion. The vote was all in favor, opposed: none, abstained: none.

Deliberative Session – 2:57 p.m.

Return to Open Session – 3:16 p.m.

Ms. Martin made a motion to accept the State's Opposition to Respondent's Petition and State's Motion for Summary Suspension. Ms. Nicol seconded the motion. The vote was all in favor, opposed: none, abstained: Dr. Guerrero.

11. Executive Session to Discuss Investigative Matters – continued 3:20 p.m.

12. Return to Open Session

Ms. Martin made a motion to return to open session. The motion was seconded by Dr. Thomashow. The vote was all in favor, opposed: none, abstained: none.

Open session: 4:46 p.m.

Dr. Cahill said that Dr. Parker has submitted her resignation from her position as the Medical Director of the Vermont Practitioner's Health Program, effective June 1, 2006. He said that he and Ms. DiStabile had separately and informally met one candidate who was in discussions with the Vermont Medical Society about the position - the Director of the Maine Physician Health program.

Dr. Clauss. Central Investigative Committee, moved to close
MPC 49-0306
MPC 55-0306
MPC 34-0206
MPC 46-0306
MPC 10-0106

Seconded: Mr. Cross. Passed, opposed: none.

Ms. Silta, South Investigative Committee, moved to close

MPS 147-1005
MPS 120-0805
MPS 132-0905
MPS 195-1205
MPS 11-0106
MPS 53-0306
MPS 191-1205
MPS 247-1203
MPS 04-0106
MPS 05-0106
MPS 12-0106
MPS 56-0306

Seconded: Dr. Davignon. Passed, opposed: none. Abstained: MPS 132-0905, MPS 195-1205, MPS 11-0106 – Dr. Clauss; MPS 53-0306 - Dr. Sadkin; MPS 04-0106 –Dr. King.

Dr. King, North Investigative Committee, moved to close

MPN 03-0106
MPN 02-0106
MPN 14-0106
MPN 13-0106
MPN 176-1105
MPN 45-0306
MPN 32-0206

MPN 183-1105, 184-1105, 185-1105, 186-1105 recused Ms. Martin

Seconded: Mr. Webber. Passed, opposed: none. Abstained: MPN 32-0206 – Dr Davignon; MPN 183-1105, 184-1105, 185-1105, 186-1105 - Ms. Martin.

11. Any Other Business

Next meetings

Upcoming meetings

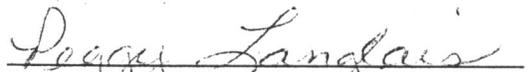
- June 9, 2006, Central Investigative Committee Meeting, 12 p.m., Montpelier
- June 15, 2006, North Investigative Committee Meeting, 12 p.m., Vermont State College, Waterbury
- June 21, 2006, Board meeting on pending applications, 12:10 p.m., Board Office, 101 Cherry Street, Burlington, (and via telephone)
- June 21, 2006, South Investigative Committee Meeting, 12 p.m., Asa Bloomer Building, Rutland

12. Next Regular Board meetings July 5, 2006, 12 p.m., Gifford Hospital, Randolph, Vermont, July 19, 2006, 12:10 p.m., teleconference meeting, with public access at the Board offices, 101 Cherry Street, Burlington, Vermont

13. Adjournment

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ms. Marrtin, seconded by Dr. Thomashow. The vote was all in favor, opposed: none, abstained: none. The meeting adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Peggy Langlais, Administrative Supervisor

Attachments

Presentation of Applications

Dr. King reported on interviews with
Margaret Lindsay, MD
Robert Hunter, Jr., MD
Recommended for physician licensure
Seconded by Ms. Martin passed, opposed: none, abstained: none

Dr. King made a motion to approve the withdrawal of the April 5, 2006 withdrawal
of the license application of
Daniel Resop, MD
Seconded by Ms. Martin, passed, opposed: none, abstained: none

Ms. Silta reported on interviews with
Patrick Heaney, PA
Kathleen Maloney, PA
Kathleen deRham, PA
Recommended for physician assistant certification
Seconded by Dr. King, passed, opposed: none, abstained: none

Dr. Clauss reported on interviews with
Terri Crook, MD
Francisco Grinberg, MD
Brian Kim, MD
William Schaffer, MD – interview conducted by Dr. Murray
Recommended for physician licensure
Seconded by Mr. Cross, passed, opposed: none, abstained: none

Dr. Thomashow reported on interviews with
David Bisbee, MD
Bradley Youse, MD
Recommended for physician licensure
Seconded by Dr. King, passed, opposed: none, abstained: none

Dr. Cahill reported on an interview with
Eric Pillemer, MD
Recommended for physician licensure
Seconded by Dr. King, passed, opposed: none, abstained: none

Dr. Davignon reported on an interview with
Margaret Thompson, MD
Recommended for physician licensure
Seconded by Dr. Sadkin, passed, opposed: none, abstained: none