**The Louisiana State**

 **Board of Medical Examiners**

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 **Minutes**

 **of**

 **Meeting**

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 **October 15, 2012**

 **New Orleans, Louisiana**

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A meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, pursuant to lawful notice, was duly convened and called to order at 8:30 a.m., Monday, October 15, 2012, by order of the President, at the offices of the Board, 630 Camp Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Board Members were present as follows:

 Melvin G. Bourgeois, M.D., President

 Kim Edward LeBlanc, M.D., Ph.D., Vice-President

 Kweli J. Amusa, M.D., Secretary-Treasurer

 John Michael Burdine, M.D.

 Mark Henry Dawson, M.D.

 Cynthia Gail Montgomery, M.D.

 Board Member absent as follows:

 Lehrue Stevens, M.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 Diane Eisenhauer, M.D., Assistant Director of Investigations

Thania Elliott, RN, Investigator

Grace Hammons, Program Compliance Officer Supervisor

Christine Holder, Program Compliance Officer III

Leslie Rye, Program Compliance Officer III

Merian Glasper, Director of Licensure

Rita L. Arceneaux, Executive Assistant

 Legal counsel to the Board was present as follows:

 Judge Frederick S. Ellis

 Philip O. Bergeron

**1. Minutes of September 17, 2012 Meeting.** The Board reviewed the minutes of its meeting held September 17, 2012. On the motion of Dr. Montgomery duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the minutes of the meetings together with the executive sessions conducted during such meeting with all necessary corrections.

**2. Status Report on Action Items of Prior Board Meetings; Report on Assignments to Counse**l. The Board noted that action items as assigned to staff and counsel from previous meetings had been completed.

**3. Rules and Regulations.**

a. Final Rules/Amendments: - None published since the last meeting of the Board.

b. Rules/Amendments – Noticed for Intent. **Physicians and Surgeons – Demonstration of Clinical Competency:** The Board developed a set of rules for the demonstration of physician clinical competency for licensure reinstatement/renewal and decided to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the proposed rules in the *Louisiana Register.* The *Notice of Intent* appeared in the July 2012 edition of the *Louisiana Register.* The *Register* inadvertently listed the *Notice* under the wrong heading, and it was decided to re-publish the *Notice* in the September edition of the *Register* and extend the comment period through October 19, 2012. **Physicians and Surgeons – Suspension/Termination/Non-Renewal of Training; Notification to the Board:** During its June 2012 meeting, the Board considered a suggestion for amendment to its physician rules in order to facilitate the reporting by postgraduate training programs of the suspension, termination or non-renewal of a resident from training. Following discussion, the Board elected to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the suggested rule amendment. The *Notice of Intent* appeared in the September 2012 edition of the *Louisiana Register.* **Physician Assistants – Legend and Controlled Substance Authority:** The Board requested that amendments to Section 1521A.2 and C.5 of its PA rules be prepared for its consideration to: remove the exclusion of legend drug authority for a PA whose license had been restricted; and to revise the controlled substance automatic exclusion of a PA whose license was placed on probation or restriction. The Board reviewed the draft set of amendments at its October 2011 meeting and suggested additional modifications to be incorporated and presented in a subsequent draft. At its December 2011 meeting, the Board reviewed the revised draft and voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendments by publication in the next issue of the *Louisiana Register.* Said *Notice of Intent* appeared in the September 2012 edition of the *Louisiana Register.*

c. Rules/Amendments Under Development –**Perfusionist** - The Perfusion Advisory Committee prepared an initial draft of rules for this category of allied health care professionals. A revised draft was received and is being studied. As soon as it has been refined, it will be presented to the Board for consideration. **Physicians and Surgeons - Mid-Level Providers** - The Board appointed a Committee to work on the development of rules for supervision, collaboration and consultation with mid-level providers. As soon as such draft is finalized, it will be presented to the Board for consideration. This rule effort is being deferred pending clarification of statutory issues. **Polysomnography -** The Board received a proposed draft of new rules for polysomnographers from its Advisory Committee on Polysomnography. A revised draft was presented to the Advisory Committee for review and comment, and was approved, with suggested modifications during the Committee’s meeting on September 16, 2011. During its October 2011 meeting, the proposed rules were presented to the Board along with the Committee’s suggestions for initial review and discussion. Following discussion, the Board proposed modifications to the draft and asked that a revised draft be presented at its next meeting. Following the meeting, the Board received from two national organizations nearly the identical suggestions as those of the Committee’s. The Board reviewed the revised draft of proposed rule amendments along with the suggestions from the organizations. Following review and discussion at its December 2011 meeting, the Board approved a response to the committee and organizations, along with a revised draft of the rules that incorporate the suggestions of its staff as well as the committee and organizations to the extent the Board found them acceptable and voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendments*.* Given changes to the law during the 2012 session of the Legislature, staff anticipates presenting a revised version of the rules for the Board’s consideration. **Physicians and Surgeons – Office-Based Surgery:** The Board considered suggestions for amendment to its office-based surgery rules and instructed staff/counsel to prepare proposed modifications of its rules to address the issues. The initial draft of the proposed rule amendments were presented during its March 2011 meeting for consideration. Further discussion was given to the matter during the April, May and June 2011 meetings. A revised draft incorporating the suggested changes was considered by the Board during its August 2011 meeting, following which the Board voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the proposed rules in the *Louisiana Register.* **Physicians and Surgeons – Late Renewal:** During its July 2011 meeting, the Board requested that proposed amendments to its physician rules be prepared to reduce the penalty charged for physician late renewal during the first ninety (90) days. An initial set of a draft amendments were presented for the Board’s consideration at its August 2011 meeting. During the March 2012 meeting, the Board discussed the impact of penalty charge for late physician renewal and decided to enforce the late penalty fee after thirty (30) days and to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the proposed rules amendments in the *Louisiana Register.* Prior to filing such notice, further information is needed relative to the percentage of licensees who renew after thirty (30) days. Following consideration of additional information, the Board discussed amending its rules to provide for late physician renewal after seven (7) days. At its September 2012 meeting, the Board voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendments in the *Louisiana Register.* **Athletic Trainers:** At the request of the Athletic Trainers Advisory Committee, the Board considered a rule change to facilitate meeting quorums at its August 2012 meeting and voted to provide *Notice of Intent* in the *Louisiana* Register to adopt the amendment. **Midwifery:** Given changes to the Louisiana Midwifery Practice Act during the 2012 session of the Legislature, staff anticipates presenting revisions to its existing rules in due course for the Board’s consideration and discussion. **Physicians and Surgeons- Collaborative Drug Therapy Management (“CDTM”):** During the August 2012 meeting, the Board discussed the concept of certain potential amendments to the existing rules which were jointly promulgated with the Board of Pharmacy in 2007. Following review and discussion, the Board expressed a willingness to consider a draft of the proposed suggestions in due course. **Physicians and Surgeons – Licensure:** The Board expressed a desire to consider alternatives to the requirement for passage of the SPEX/CONVEX-USA for those who had taken and passed a written medical competence examination more than 10 years prior to the date of application. It is anticipated that a draft will be presented to the Board in due course for consideration and discussion. **Physicians and Surgeons – Out of State Physician Orders:** Pursuant to Act 44 of the 2011 session of the Louisiana Legislature, rules are being developed to accommodate out-of-state physicians (those licensed in any state other than Louisiana) who order routine diagnostic testing for established patients in this state provided: the physician-patient relationship was initiated through an in-person, face-to-face visit with the physician in another state; the order can be verified; and the results of all testing are provided directly to the ordering out-of-state physician. A draft will be presented in due course for the Board’s consideration and discussion. **Physicians and Surgeons – Dispensation of Medications:** The Board entertained a request for modification of its rules relative to dispensation of medications, specifically §6506 A. Following review and discussion, upon the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, to authorize publication of a *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendment as drafted.[[1]](#footnote-2)

**4. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Automated Dispensing Systems.** The Board reviewed a request to revisit correspondence received from Anne M. O’Brien, Esq., Krieg|Devault, Law Firm, seeking an advisory opinion on whether an automated dispensing system (“ADS”) could be used by a physician to assist with medication dispensation. Following review and discussion it was the consensus of the Board to await follow-up information requested from Ms. O’Brien and input from the Board of Pharmacy on this matter.

**[5.] Report on Pending Litigation**. On the motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to receive 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. § 42:17A(2). No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**6. Legal; Review of Executive Order No. BJ 2012-20 (“EO”).** At the request of staff, legal counsel provided his input on Executive Order NO BJ 2012-20 (Moratorium on Per Diem) wherein the EO suspends per diem payments effective September 14, 2012 except for those specifically exempted. Pursuant to Section 4 of the EO, “Per diem payments that are expressly and directly statutorily mandated are exempt from the Order.” And, therefore, according to the statutorily authority that established the Board, La.R.S. §§37:1261-1292, payment of Board member per diem is statutorily mandated. Counsel also pointed out those provisions of the EO that had to be met.

**7. Legal; Request for Advisory Opinion/Declaratory Order; Personal Appearance; Jack Emile Saux III, M.D., and Northshore Oncology Associates.** At the last meeting of the Board, John C. “Chip” Saunders, Jr., Esq., and Conrad Meyers, Esq., along with Jack Emile Saux, III, M.D., and David G. Morrison, M.D., appeared before the Board with respect to the request for an Advisory Opinion/Declaratory Order as authorized under La.Rev.Stat.§49:962 and §37:1270A regarding the ability of Dr. Saux to participate in a Remediation Plan approved by the Alabama State Board of Medical Examiners (“Alabama Board”) for David G. Morrison, M.D., to regain his license to practice medicine in the state of Alabama. The Board reviewed the draft response prepared at their direction and following review and discussion, the Board approved the response as written. In addition, on the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board authorized communication to Dr. Morrison outlining the necessary requirements for his return to practice of medicine in Louisiana.

**8. Legal; Occupational Therapy Assistant; Four Strike Rule.** The Board reviewed correspondence received from Senator, Daniel R. “Danny” Martiny, regarding the Occupational Therapy Assistant rules for licensure, specifically the number of examination attempts, commonly referred to as the “four strike rule”. Under §1935 of the Occupational Therapy Rules, an applicant having failed to obtain a passing score upon taking the examination four times is deemed ineligible for licensure. Senator Martiny asked that the Board review this matter and advise him 1) on what basis the Board determined, in 1986 “four times” was the appropriate cutoff for eligibility, 2) whether the requirement had been reviewed since 1986, and 3) whether it would be appropriate or not appropriate for the Board to now-re-evaluate this requirement in light of current statutes and laws of other states, including ineligibility due to exam failures and reciprocity laws. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to inform Senator Martiny that after review of this matter, the Board intends to amend its rules to permit additional examination attempts subject to the applicants undertaking a remediation plan approved by the Board and will accommodate anyone who may be affected prior to its adoption.

**9. Licensure and Certification; Dispensation Registration; Personal Appearance; JenCare Neighborhood Medical Centers; Brent Wallis, M.D., Medical Director.** Brent Wallis, M.D., Medical Director, JenCare Neighborhood Medical Centers, accompanied by Jessica Chen, M.D., Owner, appeared before the Board to discuss the dispensation registration requirement that in order to be eligible for dispensation, a physician must have been in the active practice of medicine for not less than three years. Dr. Wallis explained the activities of the JenCare clinics and the problem the rule proposed in recruiting physicians to the clinic. Following their dismissal, it was the consensus of the Board to defer action on this matter pending additional information.

**[10.] Personal Appearances/Docket Calendar**. On the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery, the Board convened in executive session to review the calen­dar of personal appear­ances and docketed hearings, as mat­ters relating to the character and professional conduct of a licensee and allega­tions of mis­con­duct, La. Rev. Stat. 42:17 A(1), (4). No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**[11.] Investigative Reports.** Continuing in executive session, the Board considered the investigative reports as matters relating to the charac­ter and profes­sion­al conduct of a licensee, and allegations of misconduct, La. Rev. Stat. §42:17A(1) and (4). Following review and discussion the Board resumed in open session. Upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the following:

 a. Administrative Complaints: The following administrative complaints were approved for filing and scheduling of a formal hearing:

Docket No., 11-I-064

Docket No., 12-I-242

b. Consent Orders: The following Consent Orders were accepted:

Krystal Lynn Boudreaux, ATH, Docket No., 12-I-383

Christopher Michael Magill, PA, Docket No., 09-I-160

Denise Gay Burns, CLP, Docket No., 08-I-311

Elizabeth Nichole Guarino, PA, Docket No., 12-I-536

Keith Anthony Buller, PA, Docket No., 12-I-021

Kenneth Wayne Sanders, M.D., Docket No., 12-I-153

James Arthur Hargroder, M.D., Docket No., 12-I-849

Neil Alan Delude, PA, Docket No., 12-I-571

James Buell Denney, M.D., Docket No., 12-I-686

 c. The following matter was closed/dismissed with a Letter of Concern:

 Docket No., 12-I-496

 d. Closed Complaint Cases: The Board reviewed the Closed Complaint Cases Report. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

 e. Interim Actions: The Board approved the Interim Actions that had been handled by the President:

 Docket No., 11-I-938

 Docket No., 04-I-042

 Docket No., 12-I-550

 Docket No., 12-I-686

 Docket No., 12-I-853

**[12.] Professional Liability Report.** On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider­­­ the report of Dr. Eisenhauer, on professional liability cases reviewed since the last meeting of the Board as matters relating to the character and professional conduct of a licensee and allega­tions of mis­con­duct, La. Rev. Stat. § 42:17A(1) and (4). No further action was required or taken on these matters.

**[13.] General Disciplinary Matters**. On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson, the Board convened in executive session to consider the report on site visits and 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. §42:17A(1) and (4). 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. Collaborative Practice Reports – To approve the request of Bonnie Gaudin, PA for prescriptive authority and additional supervising physicians.

b. Waguespack, Roland Simeon, M.D. – To deny the request of Roland Simeon Waguespack, M.D., for early reinstatement of his license to a full, unrestricted status, off probation.

c. Thomas, Corwin Ashford, D.O. – To deny the request of Corwin Ashford Thomas, DO, for early relief of probation.

d. Williams, Reginald Antonio, M.D. – To note the response of Reginald Antonio Williams, M.D., to the Board’s denial of his motion for reconsideration of the Opinion and Ruling dated September 17, 2012. The Board also noted that Dr. Williams’ attorney was not licensed to practice as an attorney in Louisiana. Upon the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board voted that the rules be amended to require all attorneys representing licensees before the Board in administrative matters be licensed to practice in Louisiana.

e. Leonard, Mary Lisa, M.D. – To confirm the approval of reinstatement of the license of Mary Lisa Leonard, M.D., to a full, unrestricted status.

f. Smith, George Edmund, M.D. – To deny the request of George Edmund Smith, M.D., for reinstatement of his prescribing privileges of Schedule II-IV controlled substances.

g. Leggio, Benjamin Louis, M.D. – To deny the request of Benjamin Louis Leggio, M.D., for early relief of probation.

**[14.] Physicians Health Program**. On the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to receive the report of Julie Alleman, M.Ed., LPC, LMFT, LAC, Administrative Director, Physicians’ Health Foundation (“PHP”) on the participants in the Physicians’ Health Program who were either appearing before the Board or had matters before the Board for review and discussion, as mat­ters relating to the character and professional conduct and allega­tions of mis­con­duct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**[15.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Mark Allen Sands, M.D.** On the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Mark Allen Sands, M.D., as a mat­ter relating to the charac­ter and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Sands accompanied by his attorney, Judith Giorlando, Esq., appeared before the Board to request relief from probation after one year of his two year probationary period. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in  open session, and on the motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa, and passed by unanimous voice vote, denied this request.

**[16.] Investigative Matters; Personal Appearance; Denise Gay Burns, CLP.** On the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Denise Gay Burns, CLP, as a mat­ter relating to the charac­ter and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Ms. Burns appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of her Superseding Consent Order. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**[17.] Investigative Matters; Personal Appearance; Neil Alan Delude, PA.** On the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Neil Alan Delude, PA, as a mat­ter relating to the charac­ter and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Mr. Delude, accompanied by his attorney, Bryan Capitelli, Esq., appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance his Consent Order. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**[18.] General Disciplinary Matters; Personal Appearance; Lawrence Anthony Giambelluca, M.D.** On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Montgomery and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of Lawrence Anthony Giambelluca, M.D., as a mat­ter relating to the charac­ter and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La.Rev.Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Giambelluca appeared before the Board in connection with his request for reinstatement of his license to a full, unrestricted status, off probation. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session, and on the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa, and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the reinstatement of the license to an unrestricted status, with the prohibition on his prescribing privileges remaining in accordance with the terms of the Order.

**19. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Radiologist; Scope of Practice.** The Board reviewed the correspondence received from Milissa R. Coco, MHA, Center Manager, Advanced Imaging of Lafayette, seeking guidelines for radiologists prescribing pre-medication for outpatient contrast. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to defer action on this matter pending receipt of additional information.

**20. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Respiratory Therapy; Scope of Practice; Delivery of Home Medical Equipment; Timeframe for Patient Education.** The Board reviewed the correspondence received from Desiree Bargky, Home Oxygen Coordinator, Southeast Louisiana Veterans Healthcare Systems, seeking an advisory opinion on the delivery of home medical equipment and the timeframe for patient education on its use.. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to inform Ms. Bargky that it has been the long held opinion of the Board that it is within the scope of practice of respiratory therapist to instruct and educate the patient on the use of home medical equipment but a specific timeframe for such instruction had not been addressed.

**21. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Respiratory Therapy; Scope of Practice; Collection of Venous Sampling.** The Board reviewed the correspondence received from Suzanne Carroll, RN, DOPC, Dubuis of Lake Charles, requesting clarification on the ability of respiratory therapists to collect venous samples. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to forward Ms. Carroll the Board’s recent ruling on this matter which states that while it is permissible for a respiratory therapist to draw capillary and venous blood samples for blood gas analysis, it is the Board’s opinion that only Glucose testing which is reported incidental to (but not independent of) blood gas testing is within the scope of practice of respiratory therapy.

**22. Communication and Information; Federation of State Medical Boards (“FSMB”); Policy on Physician Impairment.** The Board noted the Policy Statement on Physician Impairment rendered by the FSMB. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to review the statement for possible implementation.

**23. Communication and Information; Federation of State Medical Boards (“FSMB”); Annual Report on United States Medical Licensing Examiners (“USMLE”).** The Board reviewed the Annual Report on the USMLE examination. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**24. Communication and Information; Administrators in Medicine (“AIM”); 2012 Educational Workshop.** The Board noted that the AIM 2012 Educational Workshop was being held in New Orleans, November 9-10, 2012 and Dr. Marier was on program to make a presentation. No further action was require or taken on this matter.

**25. General Administrative Matters; Financial Reports.**

Financial Statement - The Board reviewed a statement on the revenue and expenses for the period ending August 31, 2012 and approved all expenditures as noted therein. The Board also reviewed the status of investments as of August 31, 2012. The Board also reviewed a balance sheet and income statement for Clinical Laboratory Personnel for the period ending August 31, 2012 and approved all expenditures as noted therein. The Board also reviewed the status of investments for Clinical Laboratory Personnel as of August 31, 2012.

**26. General Administrative Matters; President’s Report.** The President reported on his activities since the last meeting of the Board. Dr. Bourgeois reported that he felt violators of the Board’s Consent Order should have their license revoked. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**27. General Administrative Matters; Executive Director’s Report.** The Board received the report of its Executive Director on his activities since the last meeting of the Board. Dr. Marier reported he had sent a communication to Heather Cope, Executive Director, Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education expressing concerns with Act 352 of the 2011 Legislative Session, the Comprehensive Sports Injury Management Program and requesting a meeting to address those concerns. He concluded his report with a presentation of the proposed plaque relative to the Renovation Project.

**28. General Administrative Matters; Occupational Therapy Advisory Committee.** The Board noted the follow-up information relative to the nomination of Kandice Green Jarreau, OT, by Lucinda Murray, OTD, LOTR, Member, to the Occupational Therapy Advisory Committee. Following review and discussion, upon the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the appointment Kandice Green Jarreau, OT, to the Occupational Therapy Advisory Committee

**29. General Administrative Matters; Stem Cell Therapy Committee.** The Board noted the recommendation of the Stem Cell Therapy Committee and upon the motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa accepted the report of the Stem Cell Therapy Committee.

**[30.] Licensure and Certification; Athletic Trainer.** On the motion of Dr. Amusa, seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine application for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competency, or physical or mental health of an applicant pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42: 17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements has been met:

James-Penn, Lauren Marie

**[31.] Licensure and Certification; Clinical Laboratory Personnel.** On the motion of Dr. Montgomery, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine applications for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competency, or physical or mental health of an applicant pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements has been met:

Phlebotomists

 Hollister, Resa Ann Wilson, Mindy Kayeon

Laboratory Assistants

 Keen, Kristin Thomas, Reena Yvette

**[32.] Licensure and Certification; Occupational Therapy.** On motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine application for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements has been met:

Occupational Therapists

 Aarsvold, Megan Leigh Harrison, Maggie Rae

**[33.] Licensure and Certification; Respiratory Therapy.** On motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine applications for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Patterson, Brooke Elizabeth

**[34.] Licensure and Certification; Polysomnography.** On motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. LeBlanc and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine applications for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the request of the following for an extension of her temporary permit due to extenuating circumstances:

Henry, Leslie

**[35.] Licensure and Certification; Physicians & Surgeons; Foreign Medical Graduates**­. On motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine application for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, made the following decisions:

 Deferred – To defer action on the applications of the following pending receipt of additional information:

Abhishek, Ray Bozorgi, Farshi

**[36.] Licensure and Certification; Physicians & Surgeons; U.S./Canadian Medical Graduates**. On motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine applications for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

 Allen, Phillip Glenn Williams, Claire Alease

 Jenkins, Gregory Leen

**[37.] Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Fingerprint Discrepancies Report**. On motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to review the report of Cecilia Ann Mouton, M.D., Investigating Officer, on the applicants for licensure with fingerprint discrepancies as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Clinical Laboratory Personnel

 Ducote, Stephanie F. Rockett, Natalie A.

 Lingo, Dana M.

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Harris, Susannah K.

Physicians and Surgeons

 Blanton, Lee E. Reed, David A.

 Franklin, Mike E., DO Roberts, Evans L.

 Porta, Mark D. Williams, Prune P.

 Pou, Anna M.

**[38.] Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Intern/Examination Registration**. On motion of Dr. LeBlanc, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the application for intern/examination registration as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved issuance of an intern/examination registration for the following provided all other requirements had been met:

U.S. Medical Graduates

 Hooper, Patricia Rumph, Jennifer LaShay

**39. Other Administrative Matters; Review of Laws and Rules.** Counsel reviewed pertinent laws and rules administered by the Board with respect to licensure and investigations. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**40. Next Meeting of Board**. The President reminded members that the next meeting of the Board was scheduled for December 3, 4, 2012.

 **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 October 15, 2012 as approved by the Board on the 3rd day of December, 2012.

 Witness my hand and seal of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners this 3rd day of December, 2012.

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 Kweli J. Amusa, M.D.

 Secretary-Treasurer

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 Melvin G. Bourgeois, M.D.

President

1. Dr. Burdine abstained from participation in the discussion and decision of this matter. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)