

**BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS'  
COMMITTEE FOR CLINICAL PERFUSION**

**MINUTES**

**Date:** February 3, 2009

**Time:** 10:00 A.M., CDT

**Location:** Iris Conference Room  
227 French Landing, Ground Floor  
Heritage Place Metro Center  
Nashville, TN 37243

**Members Present** Paul Robinson, Vice-Chairman, Perfusionist  
Howard Briscoe, Perfusionist  
Phillip Brown, MD, Thoracic Surgeon  
Alice Walker, Public Member

**Members Absent:** Gary Beckman, Perfusionist  
Gwen Bonner, Hospital Administrator  
William Young, Perfusionist

**Staff Present:** Marsha Arnold, Unit Director  
Shiva Bozarth, Advisory Attorney  
Rebecca Brown, Board Administrator  
Rosemarie Otto, Executive Director

A quorum being present, Mr. Robinson in the absence of Mr. Beckman and Mr. Robinson, called the meeting to order at 10:23 a.m., CDT. Committee members introduced themselves to the new consumer member, Ms Alice Walker.

**Conflict of Interest Policy Review**

Mr. Bozarth reviewed the Conflict of Interest Policy with Committee members. Mr. Bozarth discussed item six on page two of the policy which states “while serving on a board or committee, the member shall not serve as an officer, or otherwise serve in a policy-making role, in any trade or professional association.” He advised the committee members they must choose whether to serve as a member of the Committee or be in a policy making role of their professional association.

### **Approval of Minutes**

After reviewing the minutes from the October 21, 2008 meeting as presented, Mr. Briscoe found two spelling errors and one word which needed to be omitted on page three of the minutes under clarification of autotransfusion. Mr. Briscoe made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Dr. Brown seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Manager's Report**

Ms. Arnold reviewed the Manager's report with the members present. The total number of active licensees as of January 31, 2009 is 127.

### **Office of General Counsel Report**

Mr. Bozarth did not have a report for the Committee.

### **Financial Report**

Ms. Otto reported to the Committee that the financial report with a projected cumulative carryover as of June 30, 2008 of \$60,371.31 and a balance transfer of \$52,832.86 to the State General Fund, left an adjusted cumulative carryover of \$7,538.45.

The Committee requested that the initial application fee and renewal fee be reduced. Ms. Otto will present a reduced fee schedule to the Committee for review at their next meeting for consideration and authorization for a rule making hearing.

### **Bureau of Investigations**

Ms. Juanita Stone, Disciplinary Coordinator for the Bureau of Investigations reported to the Committee that in July of 2008 one complaint was received for criminal charges and one complaint received in August of 2008 for unprofessional conduct.

### **Disciplinary Coordinator**

Ms. Stone informed the Committee there were no licensees currently being monitored by the Department's disciplinary coordinator.

### **Report from Continuing Education Audit Office**

Ms. Otto reported to the Committee that she currently had no Agreed Citations for continuing medical education violations, but several licensees had been referred to OGC for prosecution.

### **Clarification on Autotransfusion**

Mr. Bozarth held a discussion with the Committee about a letter he received from James D. Gann, CEO of Roane Medical Center, 412 Devonia Street, P. O. Box 489, Harriman, TN 37748 requesting written clarification as to whether the autotransfusionist technician does or does not require licensure as a clinical perfusionist to process full service blood in the intraoperative and the post operative phase.

The letter and a proposed draft response was discussed at the Committee's last meeting, but with the change in advisory attorneys, the proposed draft was not finalized. Therefore, the Committee's new advisory attorney asked for the Committee's guidance in developing another draft. After hearing the Committee's input, Mr. Bozarth indicated he would prepare an appropriate response for the Committee's review at its next meeting.

### **File Review and Approval of Applications**

Mr. Briscoe made a motion to approve licensure for Jeffrey Scott Anderson, Marci Jo Volpe Borba, David Hamilton Lites and the reinstatement of Stephen David Grimsley. Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The list will be presented to the Board of Medical Examiners for ratification at their March 17, 2009 meeting.

### **Noteworthy**

The Committee did not have any requests at this meeting concerning the Internet.

### **Next Meeting**

The next scheduled meeting for the Committee will be on Tuesday, May 5, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., CST in the Iris Conference Room, 227 French Landing, Ground Floor, Nashville, TN.

### **Adjournment**

With no further business, Dr. Brown made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Briscoe seconded the motion. The motion carried and the Committee adjourned at 11:07 a.m., CDT.

The Committee ratified these minutes on May 5, 2009 meeting.

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