

MEDICAL LABORATORY BOARD  
PERSONNEL AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE  
MINUTES

**Date:** January 09, 2008

**Time:** 1:00 p.m., CST

**Location:** Bureau of Health, Licensure, & Regulation  
TN Dept. of Health  
Heritage Place-Iris Room  
227 French Landing, Ground Floor  
Nashville, TN 37243

**Members Present:** Darius Wilson, MAT, Ed.D. Committee Chairperson  
Norman Crowe, Independent Lab Management/Admin.  
Yvonne Davis, MT  
Alison McDonald-Spakes, CT  
John C. Neff, M.D.  
Trudy Papuchis, M.D.  
Christopher Seay, M.T.

**Members Absent:** Thomasa Cooper, MT

**Staff Present:** Lynda S. England, MT, Director  
Ernest Sykes, Jr., Advisory Attorney  
Nicole Armstrong, Advisory Attorney

**Staff Absent:** Cheryl Thacker, MT Consultant I, Board Administrator

**Presiding Officer:** Darius Wilson, MAT, Ed.D.

**New Committee/  
Board Member:** The Committee welcomed Christopher Seay for his first  
Committee meeting as the Board Representative for the  
category, Medical Laboratory Technologist Supervisor.  
Mr. Seay is from the Memphis area.

**Minutes:** Minutes from the personnel and education committee  
meeting are presented to the entire Board for approval.

**Proceedings and Action Taken:**

1. Call to order: With a quorum present, Ms. Wilson called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m., CST.

Mr. Sykes reviewed the Conflict of Interest Policy with the Committee.

2. Review Correspondence submitted to the administrative office concerning personnel and/or educational issues:

The Committee again discussed the topic of on line education concerning the science coursework equivalent to that required in a laboratory science education program (Rule 1200-6-1-.22(f)(1-4).

At this time there were no amendments proposed for a change to this rule and on-line courses must be comprised of both lecture and laboratory settings required by this rule. Documentation must be provided by the applicant that compliance with this regulation has been met whether the educational courses were obtained in a traditional educational environment or via the internet.

A. Revisit Temporary Licenses Rule 1200-6-1-.13

The latest rule change (May 2007) in the Rules 1200-6-1-.13(4) states the validity and duration of the temporary license shall be governed by Tennessee Code Annotated (TCA) 68-29-117(d).

Ms. England presented a copy of the revised temporary license for committee review with the changes the Committee recommended during the October 2007 meeting. The Committee reviewed the revised document with no action taken.

B. Clinical Rotation Site Approval

Ms. England informed the Committee the following certified training program(s) requested additional clinical training program rotation site approval:

1. MedVance Institute  
Medical Laboratory Technician Training Program  
1025 Hwy 111  
Cookeville, TN 37247

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Training Program Representatives: LaVerne Floyd  
Program Director  
Shirley Stark  
Education Coordinator

a. The Medical Center of Franklin  
1100 Brookhaven Road  
Franklin, KY 42134

Ms. Floyd requested this application be withdrawn from consideration by the committee members.

b. Monroe County Medical Center  
529 Cap Harlan Road  
Tompkinsville, KY 42167

Ms. Floyd stated there would be one (1) student attending this rotation site with no medical technologists in training within this facility laboratory at the same time.

Motion: Mr. Crowe  
Second: Dr. Neff  
Approval.

c. Horizon Medical Center  
111 Hwy. 70 East  
Dickson, TN 37055

Ms. Floyd made a request to add this hospital site to the rotation menu for Med Vance students.

Motion: Mr. Crowe  
Second: Dr. Neff  
Rotation Site Approved.

2. Austin Peay State University  
Medical Laboratory Technologist Training Program  
Clarksville, TN 37044

Representative: Robert D. Robinson, PhD, MT (ASCP)  
Medical Technology Program Director

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Jennie Stuart Medical Center  
320 West 18<sup>th</sup> Street  
Hopkinsville, KY, 42240

Training Program Representative: Robert D. Robison, Ph.D., MT (ASCP)  
Program Director

Dr. Robison requested this hospital facility site be approved for clinical rotations for two (2) Austin Peay medical technologist students.

Motion for Approval: Dr. Neff  
Second: Mr. Crowe.  
Rotation Site Approved.

3. Review files for eligibility.

List Lee-Biggs  
Program Director  
Volunteer State Community College  
Gallatin, TN 37066-3188

Representative: Lisa Lee-Biggs, MS, MT (ASCP)  
Acting Program Director

The Committee reviewed the qualifications of Ms. Lee-Biggs per Rule 1200-6-2-(2) (a) (a) (v) pertaining to teaching experience required for appointed Program Directors in certified training programs for medical laboratory professionals.

Ms. Lee-Biggs was granted Acting Program Directory statue until June 1, 2008 by the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS) in recognition of a change in program directors for this community college.

Committee members requested Ms. Lee-Biggs return to the July 9, 2008 committee meeting with a detailed description of her teaching experiences associated with clinical laboratory technique as well as other teaching experiences.

This item was tabled until the July 2008 meeting.

Motion: Mr. Crowe.  
Second: Dr. Neff.  
Approval.

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4. Review and Ratification

A. New Licenses and Temporary Licenses (Attachment 1)

The Committee reviewed the consultant approved list of new and temporary licenses from October 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007.

B. Reinstatements (Attachment 2)

The Committee reviewed the list of licensure reinstatements from October 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007.

C. Closed Files (Attachment 3)

The Committee reviewed the list of files that were closed from October 1, 2007 until December 31, 2007.

A motion to approve these items was made by Dr. Papuchis with a second to the motion made by Dr. Neff. The Committee ratified the decisions of the Board's authorized approving medical technologist director.

5. Insufficient Funds

There were no documents for insufficient funds for committee review.

6. Rulemaking Update

Committee members were given a brief summary of those items to be considered For authorization of a rulemaking hearing by the full board on January 10, 2008.

The rule amendments discussed were:

- 1-Laboratory Experience: Licensure Requirements, CE Events/Online Courses.
- 2-Multi Media CE Limitations.
- 3-Use of Titles in Advertisements.

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**7. Other Business/Clarification for Staff:**

Ms. England asked Committee members a question concerning a Tennessee physician licensed by the Board of Medical Examiners who wanted to assume the directorship of an anatomic and clinical laboratory. This physician has taken the American Board of Pathology examination in the specialties of anatomic and clinical pathology. This physician passed the clinical portion of the exam but did not pass the anatomic portion. The ABP does not license in both categories unless both exam levels are successfully challenged. The committee determined via Rule 1200-6-6-.20(1) (a) (1-3) that to direct a clinical laboratory an individual must be boarded appropriately in addition to possession of a Tennessee license in the appropriate category.

No action was taken on this matter.

**Statement of Next Meeting**

The next Committee meeting will be held on April 09, 2008 at 1 p.m., CDT in the Bureau of Health, Licensure, & Regulation-Iris Room, Ground Floor Heritage Place 227 French Landing, MetroCenter Nashville TN 37243.

**Record of Adjournment:**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 pm, CST.

Motion: Dr. Neff  
Second: Ms. McDonald-Spakes  
Meeting Adjourned.

Minutes were approved by the Board on April 10, 2008.

**ATTACHMENT 1**  
**Initial Licenses**  
**October 1, 2007- December 31, 2007**

<b>License Number</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Category</b>
<b>10/01/07</b>				
22120	Harris	Sasha	McMinnville, TN	Technician
22091	Holder	Anna	Lafayette, TN	Technician
22127	Nash	Jessica	Corinth, MS	Technician
22023	Solomon	Christopher	Lebanon, TN	Technician
22136	Wilson	Kimberly	Nashville, TN	Technician
21816	Fowler	Matthew	Cookeville, TN	Technician
22123	Miller	Amber	Livingston, TN	Technologist-General
14019	Timberlake	Amy	Nashville, TN	Technologist-General
22128	Nelson	Mary	Richmond Hill, GA	Technologist-General
22118	Murphy	Stephanie	Monterey, TN	Technologist-General
22115	Jackson	Valerie	Lewisburg, TN	Technologist-General
22097	Humrichouse	F. Ann	Thompson Station, TN	Technologist-General
22098	Freese	Pamela	Brentwood, TN	Technologist-General
22125	Couch	Christine	Meridian, MS	Technologist-General
20273	Brown	Kristie	Greeneville, TN	Technologist-General
22029	Breal	Karen	Bristol, TN	Technologist-General
21955	Baldwin	Kasey	Knoxville, TN	Technologist-General
21997	Schwartz	Michael	Bartlett, TN	Supervisor-General
12985	Taylor	Nancy	Cunningham, TN	Supervisor-General
4292	Matthews	Anna	Sparta, TN	Supervisor-General
5008	Greear	Catherine	Kingsport, TN	Supervisor-General
18863	Baxter	R. Heath	Hixson, TN	Supervisor-General
9976	Bailey	Kimberly	Knoxville, TN	Supervisor-General
21964	Skinner	Kimberly	Richmond, VA	Supervisor-General
21886	Prochniak	Wendy	Franklin, TN	SA-Cytogenetics
<b>11/01/07</b>				
22151	Touchstone	Jennifer	Ringgold, GA	Technician
22155	Reed	Loretta	Crossville, TN	Technician
22152	Gateley	James	Sparta, TN	Technician
22126	Hagewood	Jelani	Ft. Campbell, KY	Technician
21911	Karram	Lana	Madison, TN	Technician
22117	Lawson	Patricia	Oak Grove, KY	Technologist-General
22124	Smedley	Betty	Knoxville, TN	Technologist-General
22138	Swiatocha	Tina	Olive Hill, TN	Technologist-General
22131	Chung	Que	Hernando, MS	Technologist-General
22145	Stigge	Steven	Murfreesboro, TN	Technologist-General
22135	Thomas	Olin	Tupelo, MS	Technologist-General
22139	Cox	Amy	East Peoria, IL	Technologist-General
22119	AN	Mi	Chattanooga, TN	Technologist-General
22066	Klocek	Kimberly	Clarksville, TN	Technologist-General
17842	Climo	Virginia	Nashville, TN	Technologist-Hematology
21430	Martin	Lisa	Gallatin, TN	Supervisor-General

22142 12/01/07	Anderson	Dennis	Maryville, TN	SA-Molecular Diagnostics
22018	Nourse	Rachel	Portland, TN	Technician
21901	Chambers	Margaret	Waynesboro, TN	Technician
22130	Wickenheiser	Ann	New Port Richey, FL	Technologist-General
12113	Miller	Tammy	Nashville, TN	Supervisor-General

**Temporary Licenses  
Attachment 2  
October 1, 2007 – December 31, 2007**

<b>File Number</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Category</b>
<b>10-07</b>	<b>No Additions</b>			
<b>11-07</b>	<b>No Additions</b>			
<b>22133</b>	<b>Campbell</b>	<b>Selena</b>	<b>Lafayette, TN</b>	<b>Technician</b>
<b>22156</b>	<b>Cook</b>	<b>Lindsey</b>	<b>Gallatin, TN</b>	<b>Technician</b>
<b>22103</b>	<b>Allard</b>	<b>Brandy</b>	<b>Gibsonville, NC</b>	<b>Technician</b>
<b>22132</b>	<b>Cochran</b>	<b>Patricia</b>	<b>Cookeville, TN</b>	<b>Technician</b>
<b>22129</b>	<b>Nandy</b>	<b>Cyntioa</b>	<b>Ooltewah, TN</b>	<b>Technologist-General</b>
<b>22101</b>	<b>Atkinson</b>	<b>Robyn</b>	<b>Knoxville, TN</b>	<b>Director-Microbiology</b>
<b>12-07</b>	<b>No Additions</b>			

**ATTACHMENT 3**  
**Reinstatements**  
**October 1, 2007- December 31, 2007**

<b>License Number</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Category</b>
<b>10/01/07</b>				
4321	Evans	Pamela	Kodak, TN	Technician
1127	Long	David	Crossville, TN	Technician
12413	McGee	Sherri	Gate City, TN	Technician
21012	Ashby Irions-	Michael	Dandridge, TN	Technician
13712	Williams	Shelia	Cedar Hill, TX	Technologist-General
17923	Kimbrough	David	Florence, AL	Technologist-General
19508	Velagaleti	Gopalrao	Rochester, MN	Dir-Cytogenetics
<b>11/01/07</b>				
19077	Jaques	Karen	Milton, TN	Technologist-General
20302	Sammons	Teresa	Louisville, KY	Technologist-General
14787	Osborne	Gertrude	Collierville, TN	Technologist-General
21244	Prichard	Rhonda	Newbern, TN	Technologist-General
14717	Rankin	Paula	Kingsport, TN	Supervisor-General
9193	Gibson	Rebecca	Cookeville, TN	Supervisor-Micro.
5594	Sutton	T.P.	Memphis, TN	Supervisor-General
<b>12-01-07</b>				
14524	Alvey	Natalie	Maison, AL	Technician
6569	Morris	Patricia	Apison, TN	Technologist-General
20299	Weis	Michael	Lynchburg, TN	Technologist-General
9687	Gilbreath	Glenna	Memphis, TN	Technologist-Micro.
3433	Hawk	Robert	Chattanooga, TN	Supervisor-General

**Closed Files  
Attachment 4  
October 1, 2007- December 31, 2007**

<b>File Number</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Category</b>
10/07	Cross	Sharon	Webster, NC	Technician
11/07				
21815	Clemons	Latriana	Orlinda, TN	Technician
22019	Cox	Linda	Ewing, VA	Technician
21981	Davis	Heather	Williamsburg, KY	Technician
			Thompson	
21924	Edington	Doris	Station, TN	Technician
21841	Holder	Robert	Cookeville, TN	Technician
21749	Brahmbhatt	Rupal	Chattanooga, TN	Technologist-General
21948	Nguyen	Joanna	Honolulu, HI	Technologist-General
21988	Quinones	Noemi	Antioch, TN	Technologist-General
22087	Richardson	Diane	Cincinnati, OH	Technologist-General
22034	Parahoo	Shastina	Barbourville, KY	Technologist-General
22004	Finley	Amber	St. Ignatius, MT	Technologist-General
12/07	No Files Closed			