

MEDICAL LABORATORY BOARD
PERSONNEL AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES

Date: April 09, 2008

Time: 1:00 p.m., CDT

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.
Christopher Seay, M.T.
Annie Washington, M.T.

Members Absent: Trudy Papuchis, M.D.

Staff Present: Lynda S. England, MT, Director
Ernest Sykes, Jr., 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 Annie Washington to her first meeting as the Board Representative for the category, Medical Laboratory Technologist Generalist. Ms. Washington is from Memphis Tennessee.

Minutes: Minutes from this meeting are presented to the entire Medical Laboratory Board for approval.

Proceedings and Action Taken:

Call to order: With a quorum present, Ms. Wilson called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m., CDT.

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

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

1-a Chandra Robbins

Ms. Robbins made application for licensure as a medical laboratory technician in 2007 after completing the requirements for an Associate of Applied Science degree, and graduating from the training program at Southwest Tennessee Community College Memphis TN with a degree conferred December 2007.

TNPAP representative, Mike Harkreader stated Ms. Robbins is currently in compliance with a monitoring agreement (2-year) signed in July of 2007.

Ms. Robbins took her national certification exam in January 2007 and did not pass the exam.

Ms. England requested information from Ms. Robbins pertaining to the document from ASCP stating when she is scheduled to take the national exam. Ms. Robbins stated that she has not rescheduled her exam as of the committee meeting date.

On a motion by Dr. Neff and seconded by Ms. Davis, whenever Ms. Robbins successfully challenges the ASCP examination for medical technician, and the administrative office has the exam results, Ms. Robbins can be licensed as a medical laboratory technician.

Committee Recommendation: Approval.

Ms. Wilson recused herself from this discussion and vote.

1-b Steven Bowman

Mr. Bowman made application for licensure as a medical laboratory technician January 30, 2008 after completing requirements for an Associates of Applied Science Degree from MedVance Institute, Cookeville TN.

Mr. Bowman took and passed the American Society for Clinical Pathology Board of Registry Examination on March 18, 2008.

The committee reviewed this application and after discussion with Mr. Bowman concerning the applications contents, the committee determined an assessment by TNPAP was in order with advocacy before licensure.

The file will be reviewed again during the July 2008 meeting.

Motion: Ms. Wilson
Second: Ms. McDonald-Spakes

Approved. File will be held until July 09, 2008 for committee review.

1-c Gu Guangyu

Mr. Guangyu made application for licensure as a Special Analyst-Cytogenetics. Mr. Guangyu is a native of China and obtained his MD degree in 1990, and a Masters Degree in Science (Molecular Pathology) in 1995. Mr. Guangyu has a current national certification from NCA in Cytogenetics.

Motion: Dr. Neff.
Second: Mr. Seay.
Approved.

1-d Ryan Mangess

Mr. Mangess applied for licensure as a medical laboratory technician.

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He received his Associate in Science Degree from Western Oklahoma State College, Altus OK, in 1994 with medical laboratory technician training obtained through an internship at Jackson County Memorial Hospital Altus,OK.

Mr. Magness was referred to TNPAP in September 2007 and signed a thirty-six (36) month monitoring agreement with this agency.

Mr. Harkreader (TnPAP) stated Mr. Magness was compliant with this agency's contract.

Motion for licensure: Mr. Crowe
Second: Dr. Neff.
Approved.

1-e Prerna Patel

Ms. Patel applied for licensure as a medical laboratory technologist. The World Evaluation Service credential evaluation report evaluates her equivalency to that of a Bachelors of Science in Microbiology.

Review of her college transcripts revealed a deficiency of three (3) hours of prescience mathematics required for licensure as a medical laboratory technologist. Rule 1200-6-1-.22 (1) (f)

On June 23, 2006, Ms. Patel was certified as a medical technologist with the American Medical Technologist Society (AMT).

Ms. Patel has requested her application be approved in the category medical laboratory technician until she can complete the math requirements for the technologist category.

After discussion, the committee approved this request.

Motion: Dr. Neff.
Second: Ms. Washington.
Approved.

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2. 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).

No amendments were proposed for a change to this rule.

On-line courses must be comprised of both lecture and laboratory settings required by this rule.

Documentation must be provided by the applicant stating compliance with this regulation has been met whether the educational courses were obtained in a traditional educational environment or via the internet.

Verbal correspondence with the University of Cincinnati revealed credits obtained toward the degree relating to subjects in chemistry, biology or microbiology offered no didactic (hands-on) laboratory experience.

No further action taken on this matter.

B. Clinical Rotation Site Approval

No requests were presented to the committee.

C. Program Director Qualifications:

Volunteer State Community College
Gallatin, TN
Medical Laboratory Technician Training Program

Lisa Lee Biggs, Candidate for Approval
Ms. Allen, Interim Dean Math-Science Department

Ms. Biggs and Ms. Allen presented qualifications that did not include the teaching experience the Committee requested during the January meeting, Rule 1200-6-2-.02 (2) (a) (5).

Ms. Biggs return and she was again asked to return in July with the appropriate materials stating she has met the qualifications to be a program director.

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Committee members requested Ms. Biggs obtain information from her previous employers relating to her experience with teaching responsibilities associated with clinical laboratory trainees.

D. Bioten Foundation Certificate Program (Grant)
Sharon Hargrove Buher
Laurene McLemore

Ms. Buher and Ms. McLemore made this presentation to committee members concerning the implementation of a program which would introduce students at the high school level, dislocated workers, or individuals who want to change jobs, to high tech/high skill jobs in the biomedical industry working a laboratory assistant.

It is hoped this early introduction to laboratory medicine would peak interest and knowledge about the laboratory profession.

These individuals would also be allowed to work in the pharmaceutical and research industry.

The course is a 900 hour-1 year program with a certificate issued by the Tennessee Board of Regents. Twenty (20) to twenty-five (25) students would participate in the program sponsored by this foundation. The program is scheduled to begin in the fall of 2008.

The Committee expressed positive interest in these efforts and requested future updates concerning the results of this venture.

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 January 1, 2008 through March 31, 2008.

B. Reinstatements (Attachment 2)

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The Committee reviewed the list of licensure reinstatements from January 1, 2008 through March 31, 2008.

C. Closed Files (Attachment 3)

The Committee reviewed the list of files that were closed from January 1, 2008 through March 31, 2008.

A motion was made by Mr. Crowe to approve items A-C, Section 4.
Second: Ms. Davis
Approved:

5. Insufficient Funds

There were no documents for insufficient funds for committee review.

6. Rulemaking Update

Committee members were reminded by Mr. Sykes that a rulemaking hearing for the rules amendments listed below will be held on July 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.

7. Other Business/Clarification for Staff:

Continuing Education Audit Process:

The audit for medical laboratory personnel began in January 2005.

At this time a 5% audit of those individuals who renew their licenses (biennial renewal) will participate in the audit process.

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The audit is performed by Mr. Rick Agee and his staff, **not** by the Board's administrative office.

Each person is encouraged to comply with Mr. Agee's request for compliance with the audit process.

8. Committee Vote/Board Ratification:

The TNPAP Contract for the fiscal year July 2008 to July 2009 with no changes was presented to committee members for ratification.

The full board will complete the ratification process during the meeting April 10, 2008.

Motion: Dr. Neff.
Second: Ms. Washington.
Approved.

Statement of Next Meeting

The next Committee meeting will be held on July 09, 2008 beginning 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, CDT on a motion properly presented by Dr. Neff.

Second: Ms. McDonald-Spakes
Meeting Adjourned.

Minutes approved by the Medical Laboratory Board during the quarterly meeting July 09, 2008

ATTACHMENT 1
Initial Licenses
January 1, 2008- March 31, 2008

License Number	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
01/01/08				
22189	Conn	Adrian	Rutledge, TN	Technician
22164	Vaughn	Vonita	Memphis, TN	Technician
22161	Cook	Jasmine	Memphis, TN	Technician
22162	Jones	Meshanna	Memphis, TN	Technician
22185	Breitwieser	Terra	Taswell, TN	Technician
22179	Mooney	Mary	Mechan'ville, VA	Technician
22147	Call	Joanna	Smithville, TN	Technician
21944	Saltsman	Kimberly	Johnson City, TN	Technician
22182	Tays	Danyell	Portland, TN	Technician
22187	Knight	Monica	Rock Island	Technician
22165	O'Hara	Kim	Jonesboro, TN	Technician
22171	Bigelow	Suzette	Johnson City, TN	Technician
22172	Bewley	Sharon	Church Hill, TN	Technician
22149	Robertson	David	Memphis, TN	Technician
21896	Inyang	Frank	Nashville, TN	Technologist-General
21798	Gray	Allison	Hermitage, TN	Technologist-General
21914	Johnson	Myochie	Nashville, TN	Technologist-General
19621	Cox	Tereyo	Murfreesboro, TN	Technologist-General
22110	Ladner	Elizabeth	Memphis, TN	Technologist-General
22079	Wiltfong	Jennifer	Knoxville, TN	Technologist-General
22140	Burchfield	Thomas	Cookeville, TN	Technologist-General
22181	Mace	Rebecca	Woodbury, TN	Technologist-General
22148	Hughes	Carlton	Bartlett, TN	Technologist-General
22034	Parahoo	Shastina	Barbourville, KY	Technologist-General
22191	Yanny	Raed	Antioch, TN	Technologist-General
22195	Ingraham	Raymond	Soddy Daisy, TN	Technologist-General
19799	Hicks	Sherrie	Memphis, TN	Technologist-General
22157	Warren	Carla	Pensacola, FL	Technologist-General
21966	Rahbar	Alborz	Knoxville, TN	Technologist-General
19981	Tuggle	Lori	Memphis, TN	Technologist-General
22153	Cannon	Amory	Clinton, TN	Technologist-General
21838	Mercado	Lymarie	Nshville, TN	Technologist-General
20684	Bare	Daniel	Elizabethton, TN	Supervisor-General
22188	Herrick	Jonathan	Hermitage, TN	Special Analyst-Cytogenetics
22143	Reiner	Jennifer	Nashville, TN	Special Analyst-Cytogenetics
02/01/08				
22160	Eldridge	Angela	Bartlett, TN	Technician
22169	Van Hall	Julie	Bristol, TN	Technician
22193	Thiesen	Ginger	Cookeville, TN	Technician
22198	Allen	Linda	Memphis, TN	Technician
22186	Phillips	Shawanna	Memphis, TN	Technician
22190	Eusan	Andrea	Clarksville, TN	Technician
22174	Dunlap	Holly	Elizabethton, TN	Technician

22141	Carter	Debra	Millington, TN	Technician
22144	Frank	Keisha	Knoxville, TN	Technologist-General
22099	Hopper	Amy	Speedwell, TN	Technologist-General
22146	Ellingwood	Patricia	Sevierville, TN	Technologist-General
22077	Wissel	Gwendolyn	Antioch, TN	Technologist-General
22204	Landers	Tippi	Knoxville, TN	Technologist-General
22207	Ruiz	Zoraya	Lakeland, TN	Technologist-General
22129	Nandy	Cyntoia	Ooltewah, TN	Technologist-General
22035	Pyle	Michael	Springfield, TN	Technologist-General
12621	Johnson	Kim	Lebanon, TN	Supervisor-General
22211	Johnson	Kimberly A.	Brentwood, TN	Supervisor-General

03/01/08

22220	Salsberry	Dee	Cookeville, TN	Technician
22113	Crumpton	Joyce	West Blocton, AL	Technician
22201	West	Stephen	Monterey, TN	Technician
22009	Franklin	Laura	Smyrna, TN	Technician
22196	Murphy	Michael	Monterey, TN	Technician
22168	Krohn	Michael	Kingsport, TN	Technician
22178	Pickel	Rhonda	Bristol, TN	Technician
22150	Wyatt	Angela	Cordova, TN	Technician
22176	Smith	Melissa	Kingsport, TN	Technician
22166	Harrison	Alicia	Cleveland, TN	Technician
22221	Granillo	Jamie	Jackson, TN	Technician
22170	Abelson	Mark	Greeneville, TN	Technician
22167	Parkins	Kristy	Greeneville, TN	Technician
22210	Collins	Carie	Gate City, VA	Technologist-General
22158	Adkisson	Amanda	Oliver Springs, TN	Technologist-General
22096	Binkley	Kathryn	Memphis, TN	Technologist-General
22203	Donovan	Nora	Oswebo, NY	Technologist-General
22217	Wrobel	Debra	Woodlawn, TN	Technologist-General
22222	Adkins	Nikki	Coeburn, VA	Technologist-General
22213	Vaughn	Susan	McKenzie, TN	Technologist-General
19485	Taylor	Waukeshia	Memphis, TN	Technologist-General
21811	Mosley	Lea Ann	Dresden, TN	Supervisor-General
21934	Dunn	Krista	Butler, TN	Supervisor-General
9389	Cotthoff	Stephen	Franklin, TN	Supervisor-General
21351	Woron	Amy	Portland, TN	Supervisor-Microbiology
22197	Guess	Tiffany	Franklin, TN	S.A.-Cytogenetics

**ATTACHMENT 2
TEMPORARY LICENSES
JANUARY 1, 2008-MARCH 31, 2008**

File Number	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
01/01/08				
22170	Abelson	Mark	Greeneville, TN	Technician
22165	O'Hara	Kim	Jonesborough, TN	Technician
22169	Van Hall	Julie	Bristol, TN	Technician
22166	Harrison	Alicia	Johnson City, TN	Technician
22178	Pickel	Rhonda	Bristol, TN	Technician
21963	Couston-Smith	Elaine	Germantown, TN	S.A.-Flow Cyto.
02/01/08				
	Underwood			
22122	d	Richard	Memphis, TN	Technician
22180	Augustin	Johane	McKenzie, TN	Technologist-General
03/01/08				
22224	Shopinski	Schonee	Monterey, TN	Technician
22173	Earp	Ashley	Gray, TN	Technician
22228	Patel	Hema	Palestine, AR	Technologist-General

**ATTACHMENT 3
Reinstatements
January 1, 2008-March 31, 2008**

License Number	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
01-08				
18094	Hutchins	Tracey	McMinnville, TN	Technician
19861	Shelton	Terri	Lebanon, TN	Technician
10661	Miller	Jennifer	Piney Flats, TN	Technician
21054	Mhlaingena	Dagma	LaVernge, TN	Technician
18031	Varnell	Kristi	Martinez, GA	Technologist-General
18234	Mitchell	Michael	Nashville, TN	Technologist-General
20502	Turner	Jennifer	Lakeland, TN	Technologist-General
11245	Ulm	Suzanne	Shelbyville, TN	Technologist-General
21635	Boling	Dawnelle	Jonesboro, AR	Technologist-General
4708	Clark-Jenkins	Peggy	Hercules, CA	Supervisor-General
19008	Givens	Aubra	Memphis, TN	Technologist-Chemistry
02/01/08				
8014	Mansfield	Bettye	Olive Branch, MS	Technician
20947	Jenkins	Christie	Lascassas, TN	Technologist-General
20313	Meng	Xiao	Cincinnati, OH	Supervisor-General
20114	Sweeney-Fisher	Carolyn	Memphis, TN	S.A.-Cytotechnologist
03/01/08				
22194	Wright	Melissa	Crossville, TN	Technician
3035	Jackson	Judy	Bartlett, TN	Technician
12556	Stewart	John	Hermitage, TN	Technologist-Chemistry
11856	Carter-Buttrey	Robin	Clarksburg, TN	Technologist
21186	Patel	Dipak	Clarksville, TN	Technologist- Immunohematology

**Closed Files
Attachment 4
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File Number	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
Jan 08	No Files Closed			
Feb 08	No Files Closed			
March 08	No Files Closed			

**ATTACHMENT 5
Retired Licenses
January 1, 2008-March 31, 2008**

License Number	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
Jan 08				
21423	Ireland	Angela	Inman, SC	Technician
6845	Nash	Regina	Halls, TN	Technician
21153	Henson	Freida	Attalla, AL	Technician
20717	McLean	Sharon	Tuscaloosa, AL	Technologist-General
2843	Buckner	Barbara	Tullahoma, TN	Technologist-General
519	Ray	Cecilia	Wartrace, TN	Technologist-General
2297	Brown	Junior	Shelbyville, TN	Supervisor-General
4612	Tant	Clarence	Jamestown, TN	Supervisor-General
8390	Hatcher	Carolyn	Joelton, TN	Technologist-Microbiology
20801	Schmid	Denise	Abingdon, VA	S.A.-Cytotechnologist
6761	Kimberly	Michael	Anniston, AL	Director-General
Feb 08				
1391	Johnson	Judy	Santa Fe, TN	Technician
2925	Penrose	Merilyn	Maryville, TN	Technician
2719	Phillips	Mary	Birmingham, AL	Technologist-General
15060	Gallimore	Mark	Eads, TN	Technologist-General
15018	McGreen-Williams	Gina	Nashville, TN	Technologist-General
7564	Zaricor	Elizabeth	Fairhope, AL	Supervisor-General
6184	McDaniel	Phoebe	Rock Spring, GA	Supervisor-General
5232	Smith	Barbara	Stone Mtn, GA	Supervisor-Microbiology
21367	Dilioglou	Smaroula	Houston, TX	S.A.-Histocompatibility
March 08				
18065	Payne	Stacey	Copperhill, TN	Technician
18681	Tabrizi	Mitchell	Dallas.Tx	Technician
10794	Peters	Sharon	Memphis, TN	Technician
14150	Board	Ross	Holladay, TN	Technician
11313	Wilson	Lorie	Ringgold, GA	Technician
21283	Sneed	Jessica	Nashville, TN	Technician
990	Paris	Barbara	Ooltewah, TN	Technologist-General
2399	Clay	Wilma	University City, MO	Technologist-Hematology
5261	Brown	Patricia	Franklin, TN	Supervisor-General
21255	Edwards	Jeanne	Santa Maria, CA	Supervisor-General
2974	Pettit	Jane	Cleveland, TN	Supervisor-General