

TENNESSEE BOARD OF PODIATRIC MEDICAL EXAMINERS

**DATE:** October 4, 2007  
**TIME:** 1:00 p.m.  
**LOCATION:** Health Related Boards  
Iris Meeting Room  
227 French Landing  
Heritage Place – Metro Center

**BOARD MEMBERS**

**PRESENT:** Kathryn Riffe, DPM, Chair  
Paul Somers, DPM  
Lawrence Burns, DPM  
Karl Fillauer, CPO  
Karen Garner, Consumer Member

**BOARD MEMBERS**

**ABSENT:** Berkely Nicholls, DPM, Secretary

**STAFF**

**PRESENT:** James Hill, Board Administrator  
Ernest Sykes, Advisory Attorney  
Barbara S. Maxwell, Administrative Director  
Lakita Taylor, AARB1

Dr. Riffe, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:40 pm. A sufficient number of members were present to constitute a quorum.

**Review Minutes**

Upon review of the July 19, 2007 minutes Dr. Somers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fillauer, to approve the minutes as written. The motion carried.

**Conflict of Interest**

Mr. Sykes stated he is sitting in for Nicole Armstrong, Advisory Attorney, who could not attend the meeting. Mr. Sykes reviewed the conflict of interest policy statement with the Board members and asked if any member had prior knowledge of proceedings or matters coming before the Board to notify the Board's advisory attorney to determine if there is a conflict of interest.

Mr. Sykes stated if a conflict is determined, the Board members should recuse him/herself from the hearing during the proceeding.

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

Mr. Sykes reviewed the Office of General Counsel Report stating rules pertaining to titles, advisory rulings, screening panels and PC-PLLCs became effective June 6, 2007.

Mr. Sykes said rules pertaining to the examination score time limit, continuing education, and petitions for stays and reconsiderations was sent to the Attorney General on March 16, 2007 and will become effective on October 24, 2007.

Mr. Sykes stated the Office of General Counsel currently has five (5) open files pertaining to the Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners.

### **Investigative Report**

Ms. Stone reviewed the investigative report stating seven (7) complaints against podiatrists have been received year to date. Ms. Stone said three (3) complaints have been closed, one (1) with no action, one (1) with a letter of warning and one (1) referred to OGC.

Ms. Stone stated one (1) complaint against podiatric x-ray operators have been received year to date.

Ms. Stone said there are currently zero (0) complaints against orthotists, prosthetists and pedorthists.

### **Disciplinary Report**

Ms. Stone reviewed the disciplinary report stating there are currently three (3) practitioners being monitored.

### **Financial Report**

Mr. Hill reviewed the financial report stating the Board has a cumulative carryover of \$90,114.00 as of June 30, 2007.

### **Administrative Report**

Mr. Hill reviewed the administrative report stating of the 226 actively licensed podiatrists, 200 reside in Tennessee. Mr. Hill said there are currently 102 retired podiatrist and 142 failed to renew.

Mr. Hill stated of the 114 actively licensed podiatric x-ray operators, 107 reside in Tennessee. Mr. Hill said there are currently 6 retired podiatric x-ray operators and 89 failed to renew.

Mr. Hill stated there are currently 109 orthotists of which 87 reside in Tennessee. Mr. Hill said there are currently 88 prosthetists of which 69 reside in Tennessee. Mr. Hill stated there are currently 43 pedorthists of which 41 reside in Tennessee.

### **Report from Jerry Kosten, Division Rules Coordinator**

Nothing to report at this meeting.

### **Review/Approve Applications for Licensure**

Upon review of the application of **Damieon Brown, DPM**, Mr. Fillauer made a motion, seconded by Dr. Somers, to approve Dr. Brown for licensure by reciprocity. The motion carried.

Upon review of the application of **Richard Koenig, DPM**, indicating receipt of additional information regarding expunged disciplinary actions, Mr. Fillauer made a motion, seconded by Dr. Burns, to approve Dr. Koenig for licensure by reciprocity. The motion carried.

Upon review of the application of **Christopher E. Stovall**, indicating receipt of additional information regarding medications, Mr. Fillauer made a motion, seconded by Dr. Burns, to approve Dr. Stovall for licensure as an orthotists. The motion carried.

Upon review of the application of **Paul Meyer**, Mr. Fillauer made a motion, seconded by Dr. Burns, to approve Dr. Meyer for licensure as an orthotists and prosthetist. The motion carried.

### **Ratify Newly Licensed Podiatrists, Podiatric X-Ray Operator, Orthotists, Prosthetists and Pedorthists**

Upon review, Mr. Fillauer made a motion, seconded by Dr. Burns, to approve the following newly licensed podiatrists, podiatric x-ray operator, orthotists, prosthetists and pedorthists:

#### Podiatrists

**Richard D. Koenig**

#### Podiatric X-Ray Operator

**None at this meeting.**

#### Orthotists

**Mark W. Anderson**

**Kathleen J. Drake**

**Rachel A. Fiddle-Johnson**

**Marvin Fourroux**

**Lisa J. McFall**

**Eric M. Pause**

**Otis V. Petties, Sr.**  
**Aaron J. Sorensen**  
**Jack R. Steele**

Prosthetists

**Mark W. Anderson**  
**Roger T. Cook**  
**Kathleen J. Drake**  
**Marvin Fourroux**  
**Scott Moore**  
**Eric M. Pause**  
**Otis V. Petties**  
**Aaron J. Sorensen**

Pedorthists

**John M. Daniel**  
**Donald R. Haynes**  
**Leslie B. Lee**  
**Cathey Lee-Evans**  
**Charles A. Murphy**  
**Terry M. Oliver**

The motion carried.

**Ratify Reinstatements**

Upon discussion, Mr. Fillauer made a motion, seconded by Ms. Garner, to approve the following podiatric x-ray operators for reinstatement of licensure:

**Pamela E. Henry**  
**Denise D. Neidig**

The motion carried.

**Ratify Closed Files**

Upon discussion, Ms. Garner made a motion, seconded by Dr. Burns, to close the following applicant files:

**Nicole G. Freels**  
**Cheryl A. Haag**  
**Carolyn D. Burnette**  
**Grady Hill, III**  
**Leonard Hilt**

**William A. Pudfin**  
**Francis Hawthorn**  
**Nathan Lucas**  
**Daniel Mendoza**  
**Michael Webb**  
**James C. Gilley**  
**Ann R. Goranson**  
**Gina Mendoza**

The motion carried.

### **Discuss Other Board Business**

The Board discussed adopting a policy regarding criminal background checks and unreadable prints. Upon discussion, Mr. Fillauer made a motion, seconded by Dr. Burns, to adopt the following policy regarding criminal background checks and unreadable prints:

The Board shall require the applicant to submit to a FBI/TBI fingerprint scan through the State of Tennessee's approved vendor or its equivalent as determined by the Board.

The motion carried.

The Board discussed drafting a Request for Grant Proposal (RFGP) for a peer assistance program. Upon discussion, the Board decided to table further discussion until the next meeting.

### **Approve/Deny Continuation Education**

Upon discussion, Ms. Garner made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fillauer, to approve the following continuing education courses:

**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual International External Fixation Symposium 2007**  
Omni La Mansion Del Rio Hotel  
San Antonio, TX  
August 9-12, 2007

**American Podiatric Medical Association Scientific Meeting**  
The National at Region III  
Philadelphia, PA  
August 16-19, 2007

**Middle Tennessee Podiatric Medical Association Quarterly Lectures**  
Lower Extremity Infectious Disease  
Warren Joseph, Lecturer  
May 1, 2007

**Middle Tennessee Podiatric Medical Association Quarterly Lectures**

Treatment Options for MRSA Infection

John Hostetler, Lecturer

August 7, 2007

The motion carried.

**Ratify/Approve List of Board Consultants**

Upon review of the master list for DPA Board consultants, the Board decided to table approval until the next meeting.

Dr. Riffe asked Mr. Hill to provide any information regarding the current list of consultants at the next meeting.

Dr. Riffe requested having consultants for orthotists, prosthetists and pedorthists. Upon discussion, Mr. Fillauer stated he would research the start of such a list.

With no other Board business to conduct, Ms. Garner made a motion, seconded by Mr. Fillauer, to adjourn at 3:36 p.m. The motion carried.

**Ratified by the Tennessee Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners on January 24, 2008**