# PUBLIC MINUTES Regular Meeting ALABAMA BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS 848 Washington Avenue, Montgomery, AL August 17, 2016

#### Members Present

H. Joseph Falgout, M.D., Chairman Mark H. LeQuire, M.D., Vice-Chairman

Gregory W. Ayers, M.D.

Eli L. Brown, M.D.

Michael T. Flanagan, M.D.

William E. Goetter, M.D.

Boyde J. Harrison, M.D.

David P. Herrick, M.D.

Gary F. Leung, M.D.

Dick Owens, M.D.

Bradley S. Rice, M.D.

George C. Smith, Jr., M.D.

Timothy A. Stewart, M.D. F. Darlene Traffanstedt, M.D.

Jefferson Underwood, III, M.D.

### Members Not Present

John S. Meigs, Jr., M.D.

## **Recording Secretary**

Amy T. Dorminey

## Others Present

Deana Bozeman

**Buddy Chavez** 

Lynde Crowder

Larry Dixon

Randy Dixon

Vario Crass

Norris Green Jeff Grimsley

Jane Hartley

Wilson Hunter

Stan Ingram

Carla Kruger

David McGilvray

Ed Munson

William Perkins

**Edwin Rogers** 

Trish Shaner

Andi Silberman

Bob Steelman

Amy Wybenga

### Call to Order: 11:44 a.m.

Prior notice having been given in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act, and with a quorum of fifteen members present, Board Chairman, Howard J. Falgout, M.D., convened the public portion of the meeting of the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners.

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Dawn Daniel

Eileen Meyer

Allyson Hill

## **MINUTES**

<u>PUBLIC MINUTES OF JULY 20, 2016</u> The Credentials Committee recommended that the Public Minutes of July 20, 2016, be approved. The motion was adopted without objection.

<u>PUBLIC MINUTES OF AUGUST 3, 2016 - SPECIAL CALLED MEETING</u> The Credentials Committee recommended that the Public Minutes of August 3, 2016, be approved. The motion was adopted without objection.

## **ENDORSEMENT**

	Name	Medical School	Endorsement
1	Adam Wayne Beck	UASOM Birmingham	USMLE/TX
2	Jorge Blanco	University of TX Medical School at Galveston	USMLE
3	Blessing Nnenna Falola	University of Ibadan	USMLE
4	Gerardo Daniel Garcia	Pikeville College School Of Osteo Medicine	COMLEX/TN
5	Daphnee M. Hutchinson	Rowan University School of Osteo Medicine	COMLEX/FL
6	William Mansour	Medical College of Georgia School of Medicine	USMLE
7	Bala Kandaiah Nimmana	Siddhartha Medical College Gunadala	USMLE
8	Justin Oneese	Michigan State Univ College of Human Medicine	USMLE/NC
9	Maria Czarina Acelajado Onoya	University of the Philippines	USMLE
10	Sunil Ramesh Pandya	U of Med & Dentistry of NJ/NJ Medical School	USMLE/FL
11	Ronak Vijay Patel	Akademia Medyczna Lublin	USMLE/GA
12	Vikalp D. Patel	Florida State University College of Medicine	USMLE
13	Suhas Pinnaka	Kasturba Medical College Manipal University	USMLE/ME
14	Jason Lasseter Pittman	University of Tennessee Memphis COM	USMLE/CO
15	Fnu Ravi	Chandka Medical College University Of Sind	USMLE/WI
16	Vicki Lynn Rhodes	Ross University	FLEX/IA
17	Bradford Alan Richardson	Tulane University School of Medicine	USMLE
18	Robert Joseph Rolfe Jr.	Medical University of South Carolina COM	USMLE
19	Vance Michael Rothmeyer	Uniformed Services Univ of Health Sciences	USMLE/OH
20	Mazen Shaheen	American University of Beirut	USMLE/OH
21	Sumit Singh	Grant Medical College University of Mambai	USMLE/WI
22	Orlando Douglas Taylor Turner	Saint Georges University	USMLE

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23	V N S S Sailaja R. Ramani Varanasi	PES Institute of Medical Sciences and Research	USMLE
<del>24</del>	Stacey Michelle Watkins	UASOM Birmingham	USMLE
25	Fang Wen	Peking Union Medical University	USMLE/CA
26	Taylor Woodfin	UASOM Birmingham	USMLE
27	Jenine Zaibaq	John P. and Kathrine G. McGovern Med School	USMLE
28	Audrey Ross Powell	U of TX Medical School at Galveston	USMLE/TN
29	Anitha Thomas Abraham	M S Ramaiah Medical Col Bangalore University	
30	Gifty Susan Abraham	Ross University	USMLE
31	Clayton Dale Adams	Emory University School of Medicine	USMLE
32	Maha Al-Ghafry	Weill Cornell Medical College in Qatar	USMLE
33	Zainab Ali	Ross University	USMLE/CA
34	Salim Kamruddin Bharwani	Grant Medical College University of Mambai	USMLE/IL
35	Margarita Bobonis Babilonia	Universidad Autonoma De Guadalajara	USMLE/FL
36	Thomas David Catron	Virginia Commonwealth University SOM	USMLE
37	Zachary Aaron Colbaugh	Medical College of Georgia School of Medicine	USMLE
38	Elisha Magdalene Collins	University of Miami School of Medicine	USMLE/FL
39	Kalsang Dolma	Maulana Azad Medical College Univ of Delhi	USMLE
40	Stephanie Juister Duggan	Wayne State University School of Medicine	USMLE/MI
41	Madeline Celeste Eckenrode	Wake Forest University School of Medicine	USMLE
42	Prashant Gajwani	Jawaharlal Nehru Medical Col U of Rajasthan	USMLE/OH
43	Gabriel John Gallegos	Creighton University School of Medicine	USMLE
<b>44</b>	Judah Norman Greenberg	Medical College of Pennsylvania	USMLE/GA
<del></del> 45	Antwan Jerrod Hogue	USACOM	USMLE/FL
<del>4</del> 6	John Dominic Huber II	University of Tennessee Memphis COM	USMLE/TN
47	Khaled Mohamad Krisht	American University of Beirut	USMLE/UT
48	Janet B. Lefkowitz	U of New England Col of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX/PA
49	Austin Taylor Lutz	UASOM Birmingham	USMLE/LA
50	Gary Stuart Miller	Medical College of Wisconsin	USMLE/NY
51	Shuaib Mohamed	Sri Ramachandran Med Col & Research Inst	USMLE
52	Ismail Sidky Mohamed	University of Alexandria	USMLE/MI
53	Vanessa E. Ngakeng	U of CA Los Angeles David Geffen SOM	USMLE/IN
54	Samantha Gomez Ngamsuntikul	U of Texas Medical School at San Antonio	USMLE/CA
55	Erica Coughlin Niedbalec	Albany Medical College	USMLE/NY
56	Lisa Renee Plano	USACOM	USMLE/KY
57	Uttam Rao	Tulane University School of Medicine	USMLE
58	Theodore David Richards	Lincoln Memorial U Debusk Col of Oste Med	COMLEX/MS
59	Andrey Aleksandrovich Samal	Belarusian State Medical University	USMLE/NJ
60	Barton Sanders	University of Tennessee Memphis COM	USMLE
61	Solomon Saul	New York College of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX
62	Rachel Lynette Seay	Texas A&M U Health Science Center COM	USMLE

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<b>3</b> <sub>4</sub>	Jonathan Edward Strong	University of Mississippi School of Medicine	USMLE
<del>6</del> 4	Nathan Julian Stuckey	USACOM	USMLE/FL
65	Roma Teekamdas	Jawaharlal Nehru Medical College Belgaum	USMLE/DC
66	Wallace Thomas	Escuela Latinamericana de Medina	USMLE/FL
67	Anita Duncan Wilson	Eastern Virginia Medical School	USMLE/NC
68	Zachary Robert Winkler	University of Colorado School of Medicine	USMLE/CO

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of endorsement applicants one through sixty-eight. The motion was adopted without objection.

# **ENDORSEMENT APPLICANTS FOR RATIFICATION**

	Name	Medical School	Endorsement
1	Andrew Rogers Marsh	Tulane University School of Medicine	USMLE/LA
2	Eric Eugene Melancon	St. Matthews University Grand Caymen	USMLE/FL
3	Kashiff Mohammed Muneer	St Matthews University Grand Caymen	USMLE
4	Brent Morris Newell	Univ of Illinois COM Peoria	USMLE/MO
5	Phillip Austin Smith	LA State U Medical Ctr Shreveport	USMLE
6	Darlyn Jose Victor	University of Sint Eustatius	USMLE/IL

The Credentials Committee recommended that the action of the Board that was taken at a Special Called Meeting convened on August 3, 2016, approving applicants one through six with an approval date of August 3, 2016, be ratified. The motion was adopted without objection.

## **LIMITED LICENSE**

	<u>Name</u>	Medical School	Endorsement
1	Subhashini Archana Kadavakolan	SSR Medical College	LL/AL
2	Phillip Edwin Nehls	University of Oklahoma Health Science Center	LL/AL
3	Rozaleen Edward Phaltas	Ross University	LL/AL
4	Peyman Tashkandi	Western U Hlth Sci Col of Osteo Med of Pacific	LL/AL

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5	Khalid Jubran Alqahtani	King Saud University Riyadh	LL/AL
6	Nikky Bardia	Pune U Rural Med Col of Pravara Medical Trust	LL/AL
7	Richard Anthony Giovane	Saint Georges University	LL/AL
8	Katherine Virginia Grette	University of Washington School of Medicine	LL/AL
9	Paul William Hixon	USACOM	LL/AL
10	Shireesha Konda	Mamata Medical College	LL/AL
11	Hyewon Lim	Yonsei University	LL/AL
12	John Calvin Lundeen	American University of The Caribbean	LL/AL
13	Taki Mohammad Rida	Medical University of the Americas (Nevis)	LL/AL
14	Nishant Sharma	Government Medical College Amritsar	LL/AL
15	Bin Song	Shenyang School Of Medicine	LL/AL

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of applicants one through fifteen.

The motion was adopted without objection.

# PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS / ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSES

# P.A. License

	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>NCCPA</u>
1	Devon Anthony	University of Florida	1135306
2	Madison Brown	Mississippi College	1123625
3	Rachel Tynan	South University	1101474

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of PA license applicants one through three. The motion was adopted without objection.

# Temporary P.A. License

	Name	<u>School</u>	NCCPA
1	Virginia Davis	USAM	Registered for Exam
2	Joshua Pumroy	Augusta University	Registered for Exam
3	Daryl Lacey	USAM	Registered for Exam
4	Van Anh Huy Vu	USAM	Registered for Exam

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of temporary PA license applicants

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one through four. The motion was adopted without objection.

# P.A. Registration

P.A. /	Physician	Registration / Formulary Requests	Recommendation
1.	David Aldrich, PA Daniel Rivas, D.O.	Registration Birth Control Drugs and Devices	Approve with standard language
2.	Donald Andrews, PA Andrew Knott, M.D.	Registration	Approve
3.	Jonathan Calvarese, PA Edward Simms, M.D.	Registration Birth Control Drugs and Devices	Approve with standard language
4.	Ashley Camp, PA Andrew Knott, M.D.	Registration	Approve
5.	Virginia Davis, TA Hari Sivanandam, M.D.	Registration	Approve
6	Justin Edmondson, PA Edward Simms, M.D.	Registration Birth Control Drugs and Devices	Approve with standard language
7.	Rebecca Ham, PA Lynn Crawford, M.D.	Registration	Approve
8.	Kathy Hintz, PA Norma Mobley, M.D.	Registration Remote site Birth Control Drugs and Devices	Approve with standard language
9	Mary Johnsten, PA Nicole Kersh, M.D.	Registration Birth Control Drugs and Devices	Approve with standard language
10.	Joo-Hyun Kang, PA Thomas Thomasson, M.D.	Registration	Approve
11.	Jeffrey Lancaster, PA Kelly Godby, M.D.	Registration	Approve
12.	George Parham, PA Andrew Knott, M.D.	Registration	Approve
13.	Joshua Pumroy, TA David Scott, M.D.	Registration	Approve
14.	Nicolaus Ruehl, PA Joseph Rea, M.D.	Registration	Approve
15.	Diana Tavener, PA Chad Mathis, M.D.	Registration	Approve
16.	Elizabeth Tibbs, PA John Thurber, M.D.	Registration	Approve
17.	Wesley Winebrenner, PA Glenn Beasley, M.D.	Registration Birth Control Drugs and Devices	Approve with standard language
18.	Madison Brown, PA Edward Simms, M.D.	Registration Birth Control Drugs and Devices	Approve with standard language

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P.A.	/ Physician	Registration / Formulary Requests	Recommendation
19.	Jessica Marshman, PA Gaylyn Horne-Ballard, M.D.	Registration	Approve
20.	Kellie Toth, PA Thomas Bender, M.D.	Registration Antineoplastic Agents Birth Control Drugs and Devices Facial Biopsies Cryosurgery / Cryotherapy	Approve with standard language

A motion was made to adopt the recommendations of the Credentials Committee for items one through twenty. The motion was adopted without objection.

## A.A. Registration

Steven Dale, AA / Jerry Hennig, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the AA registration applicant. The motion was adopted without objection.

## P.A. Miscellaneous Requests / Reports

P.A	A. / Physician	Skill; Formulary; Misc Requests	Recommendation
1.	Kasey Bogard, PA Angela Bookout, D.O.	Shave / Punch Biopsies of the face Fluoroacil Topical	Approve with standard language
2.	Elizabeth Simpson, PA Ryan Ramagosa, M.D.	Additional practice site: Washington Co. Nursing Home	Approve additional practice site for non-surgical dermatological care only
3.	Josephine Baumgarten, PA Jerry Arnold, M.D.	Adding Practice Site	Approve

A motion was made to adopt the recommendations of the Credentials Committee for items one through three. The motion was adopted without objection.

Adam Bevis, PA / April Crunk, PA / Preston Wingate, PA / Ahmed Kamel Adbel Aal, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended that the request to train the physician assistants to place tunneled central catheters not be approved. The motion was adopted without objection.

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## P.A. QACSC Registration

P.A.

**Physician** 

1 Bradley Hill

John Young, M.D.

2 Catherine Beckham Jeffrey Davis, M.D.

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of PA QACSC applicants one and two. The motion was adopted without objection.

## PA Limited Purpose Special Permit

Phys	ician / PA / Specialty	LPSP Formulary	Recommendation	
1.	William Jones, M.D. Jamaal Upshaw, PA	ADHD Medications Hydrocodone Combo Meds SA Hydrocodone Cough Preps Oxycodone IR Tapentadol SA	Approve all	
2.	John Young, M.D. Bradley Hill, PA	Hydrocodone Combo Meds SA MSIR Oxycodone IR	Approve all	

A motion was made to adopt the recommendations of the Credentials Committee for items one and two. The motion was adopted without objection.

# APN Miscellaneous Requests / Reports

Phys	sician / APN	Skill; Restricted Drug; Misc Requests	Recommendation
1.	William R. Carroll, M.D. Jennifer H. Vinson, CRNP	Documentation of training: Flexible Diagnostic Laryngoscopy (25)	Approve
2.	James Gary Bridges, D.O. Priya A. Patel, CRNP	Trigger Point Injections Below T-12	Approve with standard language
3.	David Engle, M.D. Stacey Hill, CRNP	Colposcopy, Colposcopically-directed Cervical Biopsy and Endocervical Curettage and Cervical Pathology	Approve with standard language
4.	Devin E. Eckoff, M.D. Tiffany D. Benefield, CRNP	Central Venous Line, Remove and Replace over Guide Wire	Approve with standard language
5.	Thomas G. McKelvey, M.D. Rachael L. Bridges, CRNP	Trigger Point Injections Below T-12	Approve with standard language

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Phys	sician / APN	Skill; Restricted Drug; Misc Requests	Recommendation
6.	Anthony Martino, M.D. Danielle Chason, CRNP	Trigger Point Injections Below T-12	Approve with standard language
7.	Franjo Siric, M.D. Benjamin Campbell, CRNP	Documentation of training: Removal of Epicardial Pacing Wires	Approve
8.	Grace Thomas, M.D. Eeata E. Madry, CRNP	Subdermal Contraceptive Implants, Insertion and Removal	Approve
9.	Richard Waguespack, M.D. Katherine Kent, CRNP	Documentation of training: Flexible Diagnostic Laryngoscopy (25)	Approve
10.	Matt ManginaDirector of Operations for Trident USA Robert John Webb, M.D. (Medical Director)	Increase in FTE for Trident USA for Dr. Robert Webb	Receive as information as this issue is resolved
11.	Mid-Level Practitioner Standard Language		Defer for further research by the consultant group and staff to be brought back at a later date.

A motion was made to adopt the recommendations of the Credentials Committee for items one through eleven. The motion was adopted without objection.

Robert Charles Brown, M.D. / Mitzi Thompson, CRNP The Credentials Committee recommended deferring this item pending a report from the Joint Committee.

After consideration by the full Board of a report from the Joint Committee wherein the Joint Committee recommended that the request to train the CRNP to perform Thermiva procedures be approved, a motion was made to adopt the recommendation and to approve the request. The motion was adopted without objection.

<u>Timothy Gannon, M.D. / Angela Hall, CRNP</u> The Credentials Committee recommended that the request to train the CRNP to perform flexible nasopharyngoscopy and laryngoscopy not be approved. The motion was adopted without objection.

Angela McCool-Pearson, M.D. / Jennifer Lambert, CRNP The Credentials Committee

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recommended deferring this item pending a report from the Joint Committee.

After consideration by the full Board of a report from the Joint Committee wherein the Joint Committee recommended that the request to train the CRNP to perform Thermiva procedures be approved, a motion was made to adopt the recommendation and to approve the request. The motion was adopted without objection.

James Kirklin, M.D. / James Davies, M.D. / Eileen Meyer, MSN, CRNP / Lisa Findley, MSN, ACNP-BC The Credentials Committee recommended that it be recommended to the Joint Committee that the request to increase the FTE allowance from 4 to 7 for the UAB Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery not be approved. After consideration by the full Board, a motion was made that the recommendation be ratified. The motion was adopted with two votes in opposition to the motion.

After consideration by the full Board of a report from the Joint Committee wherein the Joint Committee recommended that the request to increase the FTE allowance from 4 to 7 be approved, a motion was made that the recommendation of the Joint Committee not be adopted and that the request from the UAB Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery not be approved. The motion was adopted with two votes in opposition to the motion.

<u>Paul Tabereaux, M.D. / Jennifer L. Trampas, CRNP</u> The Credentials Committee recommended deferring this item pending a report from the Joint Committee.

After consideration by the full Board of a report from the Joint Committee wherein the Joint Committee recommended that, only for this specific collaborative practice registration agreement between Dr. Tabereaux and Ms. Trampas, final approval be given for the

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implantation of cardiac loop recorders, a motion was made that the recommendation be adopted and that final approval of the skill be approved. The motion was adopted without objection.

## Collaborative Practice / APN QACSC Registration

Collaborative Practice Registration The Credentials Committee recommended approval of applicants one through one hundred and two. The list of applicants shall be made a part of these Minutes and shall be attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

Collaborative Practice Registration Modifications The Credentials Committee recommended approval of applicants one through forty. The list of applicants shall be made a part of these Minutes and shall be attached hereto as Exhibit "B."

Collaborative Practice Covering Physician Applicants The Credentials Committee recommended approval of applicants one through eighty-four. The list of applicants shall be made a part of these Minutes and shall be attached hereto as Exhibit "C."

CRNP / CNM QACSC Registration Applicants The Credentials Committee recommended approval of applicants one through fifteen. The list of applicants shall be made a part of these Minutes and shall be attached hereto as Exhibit "D."

## APN Limited Purpose Special Permit

Physician / APN / Specialty		LPSP Formulary	Recommendation
1.	James Austin, D.O. Hailey Armstrong, CRNP	ADHD Medications Hydrocodone Cough Preps Hydrocodone SA Oxycodone IR	Approve all

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Physician / APN / Specialty		LPSP Formulary	Recommendation
2.	Russell Barr, M.D. Susan Alexander, CRNP	ADHD Medications Hydrocodone Cough Preps Hydrocodone SA MSIR Oxycodone IR	Approve all
3.	Nicholas Braswell, M.D. Amy Burdette Gray, CRNP	Hydrocodone SA Oxycodone IR	Approve all
4.	Ashely Coleman, M.D. Audrea Dooley, CRNP	ADHD Medications Hydrocodone Cough Preps Hydrocodone SA	Approve all
5.	James DeVaney, M.D. Ameshia Bush Taylor, CRNP	MSIR Oxycodone IR Tapentadol SA	Approve all
6.	Reginald Gladish, M.D. Avra Adair, CRNP	Hydrocodone Cough Preps Hydrocodone SA MSIR Oxycodone IR	Approve all
7.	John MacLennan, M.D. Lilian Akwuba, CRNP	ADHD Medications Hydrocodone Cough Preps Hydrocodone SA MSIR Oxycodone IR Tapentadol SA Hydrocodone LA	Approve all  Approve with LA standard language for Hospice and Palliative patients only:  Hydrocodone LA
8.	Paul O'Leary, M.D. Shaun Tolbert, CRNP	ADHD Medications	Approve all
9.	William Rogers, M.D. Bradford Adams, CRNP	ADHD Medications Hydrocodone Cough Preps Hydrocodone SA MSIR Oxycodone IR Tapentadol SA Fentanyl LA Hydrocodone LA Hydromorphone Morphine LA Oxycodone LA Oxymorphone Tapentadol ER	Approve all  Approve with LA standard language for Hospice Palliative Nursing home Oncology patients only:  Fentanyl LA Hydrocodone LA Hydromorphone Morphine LA Oxycodone LA Oxymorphone Tapentadol ER

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10.	James Thacker, Jr., M.D. Kelly Young, CRNP	Hydrocodone SA MSIR Oxycodone IR Tapentadol SA Fentanyl LA Hydrocodone LA Hydromorphone Morphine LA Oxycodone LA Oxymorphone Tapentadol ER	Approve: Hydrocodone SA MSIR Oxycodone IR Tapentadol SA  Deny: Fentanyl LA Hydrocodone LA Hydromorphone Morphine LA Oxycodone LA Oxymorphone Tapentadol ER
11.	Verne Webster, M.D. Delicia Vanterpool, CRNP	ADHD Medications Hydrocodone Cough Preps Hydrocodone SA MSIR Oxycodone IR Tapentadol SA	Approve all

A motion was made that the recommendations of the Credentials Committee for items one through eleven be adopted. The motion was adopted without objection.

# Joint Committee for Advanced Practice Nursing

# Joint Committee for Advanced Practice Nursing Meeting - August 16, 2016

After consideration by the full Board of a report presented by Timothy A. Stewart, M.D., a motion was made that the report be received as information. The motion was adopted without objection. A copy of the report shall be made a part of these Minutes and shall be attached hereto as Exhibit "E."

A motion was made that the recommendations of the Joint Committee, as stated in the Minutes of the Joint Committee, excluding the recommendation that the UAB Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery be granted an exception to the FTE requirement, be approved.

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The motion was adopted with two votes in opposition to the motion. A copy of the Minutes of the Joint Committee Meeting shall be made a part of these Minutes and shall be attached hereto as Exhibit "F."

A motion was made that the request from the UAB Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery to increase the FTE allowance from four to seven not be approved. The motion was adopted with two votes in opposition to the motion.

## **CURRENT BUSINESS**

ABME Defined Benefit Pension Plan The Credentials Committee recommended that The Alabama State Board of Medical Examiners Employees' Pension plan, a defined benefit plan, be amended as follows. The motion was adopted without objection.

Any person who begins employment with the Alabama State Board of Medical Examiners (the Board) after March 1, 2016, and who has prior service credit under the Alabama State Employees' or Teachers' Retirement System, or a defined benefit plan administered by the Federal Government, may purchase one year of service credit under The Alabama State Board of Medical Examiners Employees' Pension Plan (Employees' Pension Plan) for each year accrued under the former plan (up to 10 years) if the person pays into Employees' Pension Plan an amount equal to the full cost of such service as determined by the plan actuary. No year may be purchased if such year is used to accrue a benefit under the former plan. An employee electing to purchase such service shall have nine months from the date of employment with the Board in which to purchase the prior service. It is the intent of the Board that this provision shall not increase the unfunded liability of the Employees' Pension Plan.

Administrative Rule 540-X-3-.24 and 540-X-3, Appendix E - RSVP License The Credentials Committee recommended that Administrative Rule 540-X-3-.24 and Administrative Rule Chapter 540-X-3, Appendix E be approved and be published for public comment in the *Alabama Administrative Monthly*. The motion was adopted without

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objection.

Administrative Rule 540-X-7-.07, License Renewal Physician Assistant The Credentials

Committee recommended that an Administrative Rule be drafted establishing a

reinstatement process for an expired physician assistant license. The motion was adopted

without objection.

Administrative Rules 540-X-8-.11, CRNP and 540-X-8-.25, CNM: Prescriptions and

Medication Orders The Credentials Committee recommended that Administrative Rules

540-X-8-.11 and 540-X-8-.25 be approved and be published for public comment in the

Alabama Administrative Monthly. The motion was adopted without objection.

Alprazolam The Credentials Committee recommended that it be proposed to the State

Committee of Public Health that Alprazolam be rescheduled as a Schedule III controlled

substance. The motion was defeated.

A substitute motion was made to propose to the State Committee of Public Health that

Alprazolam be rescheduled as a Scheduled II controlled substance. The motion was

adopted with three votes in opposition to the motion.

Clonazepam The Credentials Committee recommended that it be proposed to the State

Committee of Public Health that Clonazepam be rescheduled as a Schedule III controlled

substance. The motion was defeated.

A substitute motion was made to propose to the State Committee of Public Health that

all benzodiazepenes be rescheduled as Schedule III controlled substances, excluding

Alprazolam, which the Board recommends be rescheduled as a Schedule II controlled

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substance. The motion was adopted without objection.

Continuing Medical Education The Credentials Committee recommended that the Board enter into a contract with the Medical Association of the State of Alabama for up to 6, but no less than 5, continuing medical education programs to be presented by the Association in the calendar year 2017. The motion was adopted without objection.

NBOME Visitation Day The Credentials Committee recommended that the correspondence be received as information. The motion was adopted without objection.

Office Based Opioid Treatment Facilities The Credentials Committee recommended that Administrative Rules be drafted for consideration that would allow the Board to register and regulate Buprenorphine clinics. The motion was adopted without objection.

<u>Pregabalin</u> The Credentials Committee recommended that it be proposed to the State Committee of Public Health that Pregabalin be rescheduled as a Schedule IV controlled substance. The motion was adopted without objection.

<u>Prescription Drug Monitoring Program</u> A motion was made to conduct research into the unlawful access of the PDMP and the possible sanctions related to the same. The motion was adopted without objection.

<u>Subutex</u> The Credentials Committee recommended that an Administrative Rule be drafted for consideration that would restrict the prescribing of Subutex only to pregnant and nursing women. The motion was adopted without objection.

Zolpidem The Credentials Committee recommended that it be proposed to the State Committee of Public Health that Zolpidem be rescheduled as a Schedule III controlled

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substance. The motion was adopted without objection.

**HEARINGS** 

ABME Hearing Schedule The Credentials Committee recommended that the ABME

hearing schedule be received as information. The motion was adopted without objection.

Leonides V. Santos, M.D. After consideration by a hearing panel of the Board of

testimony and exhibits presented in this matter, a motion was made to enter an Order

revoking the Alabama Controlled Substances Certificate of Dr. Santos. The motion was

adopted without objection. A copy of the Order shall be made a part of these Minutes and

shall be attached hereto as Exhibit "G".

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# Meeting Adjourned: 12:38 p.m.

The Alabama Board of Medical Examiners will convene its next regularly scheduled public meeting September 21, 2016, 848 Washington Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama.

Amy T. Dorminey

Recording Secretary

**Approved** 

Larry D. Dixon — Executive Director

Approved

Howard J. Falgout, M.D.

Chairman

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