

**PUBLIC MINUTES**  
**ALABAMA BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**  
**January 21, 2009**  
**10:30 a.m.**

Robert Parker Building  
Montgomery, AL

Members Present

Kenneth Aldridge, M.D., Chairman  
Steven P. Furr, M.D., Vice-Chairman  
Jorge Alsip, M.D.  
James G. Chambers, M.D.  
James G. Davis, M.D.  
Richard M. Freeman, M.D.  
J. Daniel Gifford, M.D.  
William E. Goetter, M.D.  
B. Jerome Harrison, M.D.  
David P. Herrick, M.D.  
Juan Johnson, M.D.  
Paul M. Nagrodzki, M.D.  
George C. Smith, Jr., M.D.  
Timothy A. Stewart, M.D.  
Pamela D. Varner, M.D.

Others Present

Billy Addison  
Jackie Baskin  
Larry Dixon  
Amy Dorminey  
Pat Enfinger  
Jeff Grimsley

Jane Hartley  
Jim Hulett  
Stan Ingram  
Carla Kruger  
Ed Munson  
Jim Nichols

Edwin Rogers  
Anne Shiver  
Cheryl Thomas  
Deborah Winberry, PA  
Lana Meriden

Board Chairman, Kenneth Aldridge, M.D., stated that, a quorum of fifteen members being present, the public portion of the meeting of the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners was convened.

PUBLIC MINUTES OF DECEMBER 17, 2008 The Credentials Committee

recommended approval of the Public Minutes of December 17, 2008. The motion was adopted.

ENDORSEMENT


<u>Name</u>	<u>Medical School</u>	<u>Endor. With</u>
1 Clement Aluyi	Coll Of Med Sciences University Of Benin	USMLE/KY
2 Aalok Chandora	Morehouse School Of Medicine	USMLE
3 * James Chau	SCH MED & VET MED ROSS UNIVERSITY	USMLE/CA
4 David Yung-Ping Chong	Vanderbilt University School Of Med	USMLE
5 Curtis Lynn Collins	Univ Of Mississippi School Of Medicine	FLEX/MS
6 Benjamin Gilbert Domb	Johns Hopkins Univ Sch Of Med	USMLE/NY
7 Alain Dumas	Faculty Of Medicine Univ Of Aix-marseille	FLEX/NY
8 * Dan Lucian Dumitru	Inst Of Medicine & Pharmacy Bucharest	USMLE/IL
9 * Thomas M. Fitzpatrick	Howard Univ Coll Of Med	NBME/NY
10 Alde Carlo Patdu Gavino	Coll Of Med Univ Of Philippines System	USMLE/OK
11 * Alvand Hassankhani	Univ Of Med & Den NJ Medical School	USMLE/NY
12 Harold Helbock Jr.	Univ Of Calif Los Angeles School Of Medicine	NBME/CA
13 * Erika Katherine Hill	Univ Of Pittsburgh School Of Medicine	USMLE/VA
14 Sanjay Malhotra	Maulana Azad Med Coll Univ Of Delhi	USMLE/MA
15 * Brenda Layton McGivern	Oklahoma College Of Osteopathic Medicine	NBOME/OK
16 John Paul McLendon	Univ Of So AL College Of Medicine	USMLE/AL
17 * Edward Levester Mosley Jr.	Howard Univ Coll Of Med	FLEX/DC
18 Sara Elizabeth Nash	Medical Univ Of SC College Of Medicine	USMLE/GA
19 * Siddharth Pandya	Univ Health Sciences Coll Osteopathic Med	COMLEX/MI
20 Bhavik Natvar Patel	Univ Of Alabama School Of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE
21 Ronald Darrell Sanders	Univ Of Alabama School Of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE
22 * Sabina Siddiqi	Univ Of So AL College Of Medicine	USMLE
23 Christina Jackson Tatum	Univ Of Alabama School Of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE
24 Mustafa Mohiuddin Akif	Deccan College Of Medical Sciences	USMLE/LA
25 Graham Carr Calvert	Univ Of Mississippi School Of Medicine	USMLE
26 Brian Charles Center	Medical College Of Georgia School Of Med	USMLE/KY
27 David Thomas Corbett	Univ Of Alabama School Of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE
28 John William Duffy III	Univ Of Tennessee College Of Medicine	USMLE
29 Tammer Yehia Elaini	Wake Forest University School of Medicine	USMLE
30 Emily Ann Evans	Case Western Reserve Univ School Of Med	USMLE/AL
31 Sylvanus K. Amegbe Fiakporoo	University Of Ghana Medical School	USMLE/WI
32 Jonathan Lee Gleason	Medical College Of Georgia School Of Med	USMLE
33 Courtney Kathleen Hopkins	Philadelphia College Of Osteopathic Med	NBOME/CA
34 John Clinton Jacobs V	Univ Of Alabama School Of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE
35 Yang-En Kao	John Burns Sch Med Univ Of Hawaii Sch Med	USMLE/HI
36 Abraham Kuruvilla	T D Medical College Univ Of Kerala	FLEX/IL
37 Li-Herng Liu	Wake Forest University School of Medicine	USMLE

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38	Sarah Elaine Styers	Univ Of So AL College Of Medicine	USMLE/AL
39	Aaron Sweeney	Louisiana State Univ Sch Of Med Shreveport	USMLE/AL
40	Jon Russell Thogmartin	University Of Texas Medical School	FLEX/TX
41	Dara Noelle Wakefield	Univ Of Alabama School Of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of endorsement applicants one through forty-one. The motion was adopted.

\* James Chau, M.D. After consideration of the application for licensure through endorsement, the Credentials Committee recommended approval of the endorsement application. The motion was adopted.

\* Dan Lucian Dumitru, M.D. After consideration of the application for licensure through endorsement, the Credentials Committee recommended approval of the endorsement application. The motion was adopted.

\* Thomas M. Fitzpatrick, M.D. After consideration of the application for licensure through endorsement, the Credentials Committee recommended approval of the endorsement application. The motion was adopted.

\* Alvand Hassankhani, M.D. After consideration of the application for licensure through endorsement, the Credentials Committee recommended approval of the endorsement application. The motion was adopted.

\* Erika Katherine Hill, M.D. After consideration of the application for licensure through endorsement, the Credentials Committee recommended approval of the endorsement application. The motion was adopted.

\* Brenda Layton McGivern, D.O. After consideration of the application for licensure through endorsement, the Credentials Committee recommended approval of the

endorsement application. The motion was adopted.

\* Edward Levester Mosley, Jr., M.D. After consideration of the application for licensure through endorsement and an interview with Dr. Mosley, the Credentials Committee recommended approval of the endorsement application. The motion was adopted.

\* Siddharth Pandya, D.O. After consideration of the application for licensure through endorsement, the Credentials Committee recommended approval of the endorsement application. The motion was adopted.

\* Sabina Siddiqi, M.D. After consideration of the application for licensure through endorsement, the Credentials Committee recommended approval of the endorsement application. The motion was adopted.

Aimee Rox Coleman, M.D. - Request withdrawal of endorsement application The Credentials Committee recommended approval of Dr. Coleman's request to withdraw her endorsement application.

### LIMITED LICENSE

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Medical School</u>	<u>Endor. With</u>
1	Yaser Al-Solaiman	Faculty Of Medicine Univ Of Aleppo	LL/AL
2	Theophile Bougolo Barley	Sch Med & Vet Med Ross University	LL/AL
3	Youhanna Mourad Naguib Gad	Faculty Of Medicine University Of Alexandria	LL/AL
4	Abha Harish	All India Inst Of Medical Sciences	LL/AL
5	Sarbani Maitra	American University Of The Caribbean	LL/AL
6	Martin Mazyar Mortazavi Shemirani	Medical Faculty Karolinska Institute	LL/AL
7	Atif Habib Raja	St. Matthew's University	LL/AL
8	David Ian Schaffer	Des Moines U Osteo Med/Spartan Health Sci U	LL/AL
9	Xiaojun Wu	Zhejiang Medical University	LL/AL
10	John V. Thomas	Medical College Univ Of Kerala Trivandrum	LL/AL

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of Limited License applicants one through ten. The motion was adopted.

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS / ADVANCE PRACTICE NURSES

P.A. License

	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>NCCPA</u>
1	Michelle L. Adams	Touro College	1070284
2	* Kimberly Kay Hanson	USAM	1050727

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of PA License applicants one and two. The motion was adopted.

\* Kimberly Kay Hanson, PA The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the PA license applicant. The motion was adopted.

Temporary P.A. License

	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>NCCPA</u>
1	Matthew Alan Kahanic	UAB	Registered for Exam
2	Kristen Kurtts Lamb	UAB	Registered for Exam

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of Temporary PA License applicants one and two. The motion was adopted.

P.A. Registration

Heather L. Beck, PA / Fred Dominic Hunker, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the PA registration application including, with standard language approved by the Board, the request for central line placement. The Committee

recommended that the standard language for central line placement be amended to allow the use of a non-cuffed catheter no greater than 8.5 French in diameter. The Committee further recommended approval, with language approved by the Board, of number two on the PA formulary, antineoplastic agents. The Committee denied the request for number twenty-three on the PA formulary, birth control drugs and devices. The motion was adopted.

Cassie Rae Bullock, PA / Parag Mahatekar, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the PA registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sheryll C. Coleman, PA / William Harrison Moore, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the PA registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sky Alexis Fost, PA / Minh Huynh, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the PA registration application. The motion was adopted.

Mark Christopher George, PA / Jeffrey Neal Martin, D.O. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the PA registration application including, with language previously approved by the Board, the request to perform skin biopsies, closures, facial biopsies, cryosurgery, and nail removal. The Committee recommended requesting a letter of clarification regarding the requests to perform injections, and electrodesiccation and curretage. The Committee further recommended approval of the PA formulary including, with standard language previously approved by the Board, number two, antineoplastic agents, and number twenty-three, birth control drugs and devices. The motion was adopted.

Kimberly Kay Hanson, PA / James Calvert Jones, D.O. The Credentials Committee

recommended approval of the PA registration application. The motion was adopted.

Matthew Alan Kahanic, PA / Ronny Carl Johnson, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval, with language previously approved by the Board, the request to train the PA to perform sclerotherapy. The Committee recommended denial of the request to train the PA to perform tunneled vascular access devices insertion under fluoroscopy and the request to train the PA to perform endovascular laser therapy and Diomed Delta 15 laser. The motion was adopted.

Linda C. Langston, PA / William Harrison Moore, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the PA registration application. The motion was adopted.

Julie Thomas Lindeman, PA / Thomas Benton Washburn, Jr., M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the PA registration application including, with language previously approved by the Board, radial artery harvesting, wound closure, assisting with cannulation, vein harvesting for use in coronary artery bypass surgery and insertion of radial arterial lines. The motion was adopted.

Sally Morriss, PA / William Harrison Moore, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the PA registration application. The motion was adopted.

Victoria Porter, PA / William Harrison Moore, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the PA registration application. The motion was adopted.

Laurie Danielle Ward, PA / David Hurley Sibley, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the PA registration application. The motion was adopted.

Miscellaneous Requests / Reports

Valentina Anselmo, PA / Rowell S. Ashford, II, M.D. - Request remote site privileges

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request for remote site privileges. The motion was adopted.

Adrian Boone, PA / Shankar Yalamanchili, M.D. - Request remote site privileges

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request for remote site privileges. The motion was adopted.

Angela Burckhardt, PA / Gerry M. Phillips, M.D. - Request approval of documentation of training to supervise stress tests

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the documentation of having trained the PA to supervise stress testing. The motion was adopted.

Melanie Busby, PA / Robert Zarzour, M.D. - Request clarification of prescribing privileges

The Credentials Committee recommended that the PA be notified of the following: 1) muscle relaxants, excluding controlled substances such as Soma, are approved to be prescribed by a PA; 2) Neurontin / Gabapentin is approved to be prescribed by a PA; 3) Lyrica / Pregabalin is not approved to be prescribed by a PA; 4) "Nerve medications" is not a recognized pharmaceutical category and any future request must be drug specific, not by brand name; and 5) PAs are approved to prescribe local anesthetics per the PA formulary. The motion was adopted.

Lauren E. Evans, PA / Shelley H. Ray, M.D. - Request consideration of additional skills

The Credentials Committee recommended approval, with language previously approved by the Board, of the request for the PA to perform cryosurgery, intralesional injection of



steroids, Blue Light treatment, shave and punch biopsies, closure of surgical wounds, and sclerotherapy. The motion was adopted.

Lesia Means, PA / Keisha Lowther, M.D. - Request additional practice site be added to their registration The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the additional practice site. The motion was adopted.

Miranda Nolen, PA - Request withdrawal of remote site privileges The Credentials Committee recommended that the report be received as information. The motion was adopted.

Jeffrey Richey, PA / Jay Long, M.D. - Request consideration of additional skills The Credentials Committee recommended denial of the request for the PA to perform lap band adjustments. The motion was adopted.

Rachel Rolling, PA / Yocunda Clayton, M.D. - Request remote site privileges The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request for remote site privileges. The motion was adopted.

Shane Tubbs, PA / W. Jerry Oakes, M.D. - Request consideration of additional privileges The Credentials Committee recommended denial of the request for the PA to perform the following duties: ventriculostomy; placement of intracranial pressure monitor; insertion of subgaleal shunt; insertion of ventricular and peritoneal part of ventriculoperitoneal shunt; insertion of the pleural part of a ventriculopleural shunt; craniotomy placement using craniotome/other drill systems; subcutaneous placement of pump in Baclofen pump procedures; placement of epidural drain catheters for pain control; and placement of head holding devices. The Credentials Committee deferred consideration

of lumbar puncture, and harvesting of fascia for dural effects to request a letter of clarification regarding the venue in which the proposed lumbar punctures are to be performed and to clarify from where the fascia would be harvested. The motion was adopted.

Shelley Winzeler, PA / James Krell, M.D. - Request consideration of additional privileges The Credentials Committee recommended approval, with language previously approved by the Board, of the request for the PA to perform surgical incisions. The motion was adopted.

LPNs Dictating Discharge Summaries The Credentials Committee recommended that the Board adopt the opinion that LPNs are not approved to dictate discharge summaries. The motion was adopted.

RNs Dictating History and Physicals The Credentials Committee recommended notifying Ms. Kaufman that it is the Board's adopted opinion that RNs are not approved to dictate history and physicals. The motion was adopted.

Administrative Rule 540-X-7, Assistants to Physicians The Credentials Committee recommended approval for staff to research a possible amendment to the Board's Administrative Rules regarding physician supervision of a PA at a remote practice site. The motion was adopted.

#### Joint Committee on Advanced Practice Nursing

Joint Committee Meeting - January 20, 2009

The Credentials Committee recommended deferring to the full Board for an oral report

to be presented by Dr. Smith. The Board recommended that the oral report presented by Dr. Smith be received as information and the recommendations of the Joint Committee be approved. The motion was adopted. A copy of the Minutes of the Joint Committee Meeting shall be made a part of these Minutes and attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

A motion was made for the Board's staff to research the legality and possibility of the Joint Committee having the authority to approve Fast Track applications without having to convene a full meeting of the Joint Committee. The motion was adopted.

A motion was made to issue Cease and Desist letters to physicians on the Joint Committee's January 20, 2009, agenda who failed to pay the collaborative practice agreement fee prior to the Committee's meeting. The motion was adopted and a report of the physicians to receive the Cease and Desist letter shall be made a part of, and shall be attached to, the confidential portion of these Minutes as Exhibit "B."

### CURRENT BUSINESS

Article, Arrogant, Abusive and Disruptive - and a Doctor The Credentials Committee recommended that the article be received as information. The motion was adopted.

Article, What to do When Your Loved One is Ill? The Credentials Committee recommended that the article be received as information. The motion was adopted.

H.R. 6353; Ryan Haight Online Pharmacy Consumer Protection Act of 2008 The Credentials Committee recommended that the House Resolution be received as information. The motion was adopted.


FSMB: Call for Award Nominations The Credentials Committee recommended that

Leon C. Hamrick, Sr., M.D., be nominated for the FSMB's Distinguished Service Award.  
The motion was adopted.

HEARINGS

ABME Hearing Schedule The Credentials Committee recommended that the ABME Hearing Schedule be received as information. The motion was adopted.

William S. Pennington, M.D., Athens After consideration of testimony and evidence presented during a hearing before the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners, a motion was made and adopted to enter an Order revoking Dr. Pennington's Alabama Controlled Substance Certificate. A copy of said Order shall be made a part of these Minutes and be attached hereto as Exhibit "C."

  
Larry D. Dixon  
Executive Director

  
Kenneth W. Aldridge, M.D.  
Chairman