

**PUBLIC MINUTES**  
**ALABAMA BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**  
**April 11, 2007**  
**2:00 P.M.**

Robert Parker Building  
Montgomery, AL

Members Present

Jorge Alsip, M.D., Chairman  
Kenneth Aldridge, M.D., Vice-Chairman  
James G. Chambers, M.D.  
James G. Davis, M.D.  
Edward C. Facundus, M.D.  
Richard M. Freeman, M.D.  
Steven P. Furr, M.D.  
J. Daniel Gifford, M.D.  
Allan Goldstein, M.D.  
B. Jerry Harrison, M.D.  
David P. Herrick, M.D.  
Juan Johnson, M.D.  
Marsha D. Raulerson, M.D.  
George C. Smith, Jr., M.D.  
Pamela D. Varner, M.D.

Others Present

Billy Addison	Jackie Baskin
Larry Dixon	Randy Dixon
Amy Dorminey	Pat Enfinger
Jeff Grimsley	Jane Hartley
Jim Hulett	Stan Ingram
David McGilvray	Randy Moore
Ed Munson	Ray Murray
Jim Nichols	Patricia E. Shaner
Anne Shiver	Cheryl Thomas

Board Chairman, Jorge Alsip, 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 MARCH 21, 2007

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the Public Minutes of March 21, 2007. The motion was adopted.

### ENDORSEMENT

<u>Name</u>	<u>Medical School</u>	<u>Endor. With</u>
1 Adebowale Adetola Adeleye	COL OF MED UNIV OF IBADAN	USMLE/IL
2 Sean Christian Allison	UNIV OF ALABAMA SCHOOL OF MED	USMLE
3 Timothy Patrick Amann	PHILADELPHIA COL OF OSTEO MED	NBOME/PA
4 Nicole Nabors Balmer	UNIV OF ALABAMA SCHOOL OF MED	USMLE
5 Estaban Lucas Bonfante Ramirez	SCHOOL OF MED ANAHUAC UNIV	USMLE/CA
6 Lisa Marie Bowling	UNIV OF TENNESSEE COL OF MED	USMLE/TN
7 Edward Thomas Bradley Jr.	OHIO STATE UNIV COL OF MED	NBME/FL
8 Colin Christopher Brown	TEMPLE UNIV SCHOOL OF MED	USMLE/MA
9 Lorraine Brown	CHICAGO COL OF OSTEO MED	NBOME/GA
10 * Oliver Wilson Crawford Jr.	UNIV OF ILLINOIS COLL OF MED CHICAGO	NBME/IL
11 Laurence Marion De Shields III	WRIGHT STATE UNIV SCHOOL OF MED	USMLE/PA
12 * Timothy John Doles	UNIV OF TENNESSEE COL OF MED	USMLE/TN
13 Stephen Allen Ensminger	UNIV OF ALABAMA SCHOOL OF MED	USMLE/MN
14 Kerri Jean Forrester	UNIV OF SO AL COL OF MED	USMLE/KY
15 Vlada Vladimirovna Groysman	UNIV OF AZ COL OF MED	USMLE
16 George Monroe Hammitt III	UNIV OF MISSISSIPPI SCHOOL OF MED	UMSLE/MS
17 Jason Carr Harrel	LA STATE UNIV SCH OF MED SHREVEPORT	USMLE/LA
18 Drew David Howard	UNIV OF TEXAS MEDICAL SCHOOL	USMLE
19 Benjamin J. Kessler	OKLAHOMA COL OF OSTEO MED	NBOME/GA
20 Joseph George Khoury	UNIV OF IOWA COLL OF MED	USMLE/GA
21 * Randall Brian Knutson	UNIV OF LOUISVILLE SCHOOL OF MED	USMLE/OH
22 Kimberly L. Limbo	UNIV OF MISSISSIPPI SCHOOL OF MED	USMLE/MS
23 * Courtney M. Lowe	UNIV OF ALABAMA SCHOOL OF MED	USMLE/AL
24 Joanna Andrews McKinley	UNIV OF SO AL COL OF MED	USMLE/MS
25 Aaron Brent McKinley	UNIV OF SO AL COL OF MED	USMLE/MS
26 Carter Wallace Mitchell	GEORGETOWN UNIV SCHOOL OF MED	USMLE/DC
27 Erik Christian Nilssen	UNIV OF SO FLORIDA COLL OF MED	USMLE
28 Benjamin Jay Pearce	UNIV OF TEXAS MEDICAL SCHOOL	USMLE/IL
29 Samuel Joseph Perna III	UNIV HEALTH SCIENCES COLL OSTEO MED	COMLEX/FL
30 Amy Lynn Presti	GEORGETOWN UNIV SCHOOL OF MED	USMLE/NY
31 Miguel Angel Reyes	TULANE UNIV SCHOOL OF MED	USMLE/LA
32 Albert Earl Rivera	UNIV HEALTH SCIENCES COLL OSTEO MED	NBOME/FL
33 Gretel Lesslie Russell	BOWMAN GRAY SCHOOL OF MED	USMLE/OH
34 Manuj Chandra Singhal	UNIV OF TEXAS SOUTHWESTERN MEDICAL SCHOOL	USMLE
35 Sarah Elizabeth Sterner	MEDICAL COL OF GEORGIA SCHOOL OF MED	USMLE/PA
36 Kelli Harris Tapley	UNIV OF ALABAMA SCHOOL OF MED	USMLE/AL
37 Erin Smith Thibault	LOUISIANA STATE UNIV SCH OF MED NEW ORLEANS	USMLE/VA
38 Ronald Wayne Thomason	UNIV OF TENNESSEE COL OF MED	NBME/TN

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Jessica Marie Trevino  
Steven Ray Ward

UNIV OF TEXAS MEDICAL SCHOOL AT GALVESTON USMLE/TX  
UNIFORMED SERVICES UNIV OF HEALTH SCIENCES USMLE/VA

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

\* Oliver Wilson Crawford, Jr., M.D. After consideration of an application for licensure through endorsement, the Credentials Committee recommended approval of the endorsement application to include the Voluntary Restriction on Certificate Qualification. The motion was adopted.

\* Timothy John Doles, M.D. After consideration of an application for licensure through endorsement, the Credentials Committee recommended approval of the endorsement application. The motion was adopted.

\* Randall Brian Knutson, M.D. After consideration of an application for licensure through endorsement, the Credentials Committee recommended approval of the endorsement application. The motion was adopted.

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

### III LIMITED LICENSE

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Medical School</u>	<u>Endor. With</u>
1	Himanshu Aggarwal	MEDICAL COL GURU NANAK DEV UNIV	LL/AL
2	Jorge Eliecer Barrios Villafane	FAC OF MED UNIV OF NORTH BARRANQUILLA	LL/AL
3	Rafael Segundo Briceno Brito	Universidad De oriente nucleo De Anzoategui	LL/AL
4	Asad Ali Chaudhary	PUNJAB MEDICAL COLL UNIV OF PUNJAB	LL/AL
5	Ricardo Martin La Hoz Chunga	ACAD PRGM MED PERUANA CAYETANO HEREDIA	LL/AL
6	Vivekananda Varma Datla	INST MED SCI BANARAS HINDU UNIV	LL/AL

7	Diego Alberto Herrera Figueira	SCH MED JOSE MARIA VARGAS U CEN VENEZUELA	LL/AL
8	Ali Safdar Khan	AGA KHAN MEDICAL COL AGA KHAN UNIV	LL/AL
9	Sudheer Reddy Koyagura	OSMANIA MEDICAL COL OSMANIA UNIV	LL/AL
10	Rahul Kumar	AMBEDKAR MEDICAL COL	LL/AL
11	Vishal Arunbhai Mandge	N H L MUNICIPAL MED COLL GUJARAT UNIV	LL/AL
12	Vijay Chandulal Oza	N H L MUNICIPAL MED COLL GUJARAT UNIV	LL/AL
13	Pavankumar R Panchavati	MAHADEVAPPA RAMPURE MED COLL GULBARGA U	LL/AL
14	Sirisha Parvataneni	ADICHUNCHANAGIRI INST OF MED SCI U MYSORE	LL/AL
15	Pradeep Reddy Patel	KASTURBA MEDICAL COL	LL/AL
16	Michael Alexander Platonov	FACULTY OF MED QUEEN'S UNIV BELFAST	LL/AL
17	Sumathi Puttu	KILPAUK MEDICAL COL UNIV OF MADRAS	LL/AL
18	Rajesh Venkataraman	STANLEY MEDICAL COL UNIV OF MADRAS	LL/AL
19	Vijay Vidyasagar	MAHADEVAPPA RAMPURE MED COLL GULBARGA U	LL/AL

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of limited license candidates one through nineteen. The motion was adopted.

Mona Genelle Pernia, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended denying the application for a limited certificate of qualification, pursuant to §34-24-75(c), based upon the determination by the Board that Dr. Pernia's medical education at the University of Health Science, Antigua, is inconsistent with a quality medical education. Dr. Aldridge recused himself from discussion, deliberation and determination. The motion was adopted.

### PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS / ADVANCE PRACTICE NURSES

#### P.A. License

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>NCCPA</u>
1. Ashley A. Jones	USAM	1068547
2. Daniel A. Bentley	South University	1071433

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. License applicants one and two. The motion was adopted.

#### P.A. Registration

Melissa Harding Almond, PA / John D. Ferguson, MD      The Credentials Committee

recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

David Earl Bryan, PA / Shelly H. Ray, MD The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application and approval of the additional duties with physician evaluation and appropriate documentation of training. The PA formulary was approved to include standard language regarding numbers two and twenty-three. The motion was adopted.

Jennifer Lynn Forbes, PA / William E. Admire, DO The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application with additional duties as requested. The PA formulary was approved to include standard language regarding number twenty-three, birth control drugs and devices. The motion was adopted.

Karen Harness, PA / Kelley Snow, MD The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Paxton Johanson, PA / Kelley Snow, MD The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Paxton Johanson, PA / John L. Mathews, MD The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Linda Langston, PA / John Dory Curtis, MD The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Lee Richerson Mackin, PA / Carl E. Albertson, MD The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Lee Richerson Mackin, PA / Juan F. Ronderos, MD The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Matthew J. Plummer, PA / Thomas Gregory Terral, MD The Credentials Committee

recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Victoria J. Porter, PA / John L. Mathews, MD The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Ryan J. Sellers, PA / James Michael Bradwell, MD The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The PA formulary was approved to include standard language regarding number twenty-three, birth control drugs and devices. The motion was adopted.

Ashley A. Jones, PA / Regina Benjamin, MD The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The PA formulary was approved to include standard language regarding number twenty-three, birth control drugs and devices. The motion was adopted.

Shannon Leigh Dunn, PA / Michael S. Kendrick, MD The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Daniel Allan Bentley, PA / Steven F. Johnson, MD The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application, with notification to the PA, that chest tube insertion is not an approved procedure, only the removal of the chest tube is approved. The PA formulary was approved to include inotropic and chemotropic agents, only with prior approval by the physician on a per patient basis. The motion was adopted.

### **Miscellaneous Requests / Reports**

Shana Burke, PA / Christine Heckemeyer, MD - Request consideration of remote site privileges The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the remote site privileges. The motion was adopted.

Anna Evans, PA / Michael Damrich, MD - Request addition of practice site to job description The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the additional practice site. The motion was adopted.

Miranda Frith, PA / Christopher Harmon, MD - Request consideration to use Ultralight II (1064 nm and 532 nm) and Erbium (2940 nm) The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request for the PA to use the Ultralight II laser, and recommended denial of the request for the PA to use the Erbium Laser, which is considered ablative and should only be used by the physician. The motion was adopted.

Heidi Neugent, PA / Gary Monheit, MD - Request consideration to use Ultralight II (1064 nm and 532 nm) and Erbium (2940 nm) The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request for the PA to use the Ultralight II laser, and recommended denial of the request for the PA to use the Erbium Laser, which is considered ablative and should only be used by the physician. The motion was adopted.

Shelley Wilcox - Winzeler / James M. Krell, MD - Request consideration to use Ultralight II (1064 nm and 532 nm) and Erbium (2940 nm) The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request for the PA to use the Ultralight II laser, and recommended denial of the request for the PA to use the Erbium Laser, which is considered ablative and should only be used by the physician. The motion was adopted.

Sally Morriss, PA / Joseph Sherrill, MD, (7624) - Documentation of training to perform joint injections The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the documentation of training to perform joint injections. The motion was adopted.

Trudie Seirafi, PA / Reza Seirafi, MD; (22745) - Request consideration of training to perform Stereotactic Breast Biopsies The Credentials Committee recommended denial

of the request to train the PA to perform Stereotactic Breast Biopsies. The motion was adopted.

Dennis Smoak, PA / David Clark, DO (DO 563) - Documentation of training to perform joint injections The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the documentation of training to perform joint injections. The motion was adopted.

Gary Lawson, CRNP / Eric W. Janssen, M.D. (16457) - Request to train CRNP to perform Greater Trochanteric Bursa Injections The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request to train the CRNP to perform Greater Trochanteric Bursa Injections. The motion was adopted.

Facial Biopsies The Credentials Committee recommended allowing PAs to perform shave excisions/biopsies, not to exceed 5mm in diameter, after the lesion is first evaluated by the physician. The motion was adopted.

## CURRENT BUSINESS

Alabama Physician Health Program - License Renewal Question After consideration of a request from the Alabama Physician Wellness Committee, the Credentials Committee recommended the Board not approve a change to the current renewal question regarding psychiatric treatment. The Committee further recommends inviting Dr. Skipper to meet with the Committee at a later date to further address this issue. The motion was adopted.

Botox Seminars After consideration of correspondence from Jonathan Munoz, M.D., the Credentials Committee recommended providing Dr. Munoz' letter to the Alabama Board of Nursing and recommended suggesting that the Board of Nursing post a notice



on their website that nurses and nurse practitioners can not administer Botox, Restalyn, or Collagen in the State of Alabama. Further recommendation was made to include this information in the ABME newsletter. The motion was adopted.

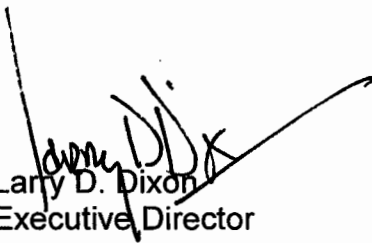
Declaratory Ruling The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the Declaratory Ruling concerning the application of § 34-24-360(10). The motion was adopted.

Fee Increase The Credentials Committee recommended that a recommendation be made to the Medical Licensure Commission to increase the annual license renewal fee from \$200 to \$300. The Committee further recommended amending Administrative Rule 540-X-4-.01 to increase the fee for the Alabama Controlled Substance Certificate (ACSC) from \$100 to \$140. The total fee for the ACSC will be \$150, to include the mandated \$10 Prescription Monitoring Database fee. The motion was adopted.


University of Health Sciences, Antigua After consideration of information which indicates the University of Health Sciences, Antigua, (UHSA) confers medical degrees to candidates based on online course work and transfer credits from health profession programs which do not confer the MD or DO degree, the Credentials Committee recommended the addition of the University of Health Sciences, Antigua, to the Board's list of unapproved medical schools based on practices by the UHSA, which are inconsistent with quality medical education, by amending Rule 540-X-3-.02 on an emergency basis and also filing the rule for public comment. The motion was adopted.

HEARINGS

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



Larry D. Dixon  
Executive Director



Jorge Alsip, M.D.  
Chairman