

**PUBLIC MINUTES**  
**ALABAMA BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**  
**April 16, 2008**  
**10:30 a.m.**

848 Washington Ave.  
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.  
Paul M. Nagrodzki, M.D.  
George C. Smith, Jr., M.D.  
Pamela D. Varner, M.D.

Members Not Present

Juan Johnson, M.D.

Others Present

Billy Addison	Jackie Baskin
Larry Dixon	Randy Dixon
Amy Dorminey	Pat Enfinger
Jeff Grimsley	Jane Hartley
Carla Kruger	Stan Ingram
David McGilvray	Randy Moore
Jim Nichols	Edwin Rogers
Trish Shaner	Anne Shiver
Cheryl Thomas	
Deborah Winberry	

Board Chairman, Jorge Alsip, M.D., stated that, a quorum of fourteen members being present, the public portion of the meeting of the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners was convened.

## PUBLIC MINUTES OF MARCH 19, 2008

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the Public Minutes of March 19, 2008. The motion was adopted.

### ENDORSEMENT

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Medical School</u>	<u>Endor. With</u>
1	Obinna Ogochukwu Adibe	Univ Of Med & Den NJ Medical School	USMLE/CT
2	Champ Leroy Baker III	Medical College Of Georgia School Of Med	USMLE/IL
3	Rajeshkumar Mansukhlal Bhalodia	Government Medical College Baroda Univ	USMLE/MO
4	* Raoul Jay Bhatta	Drexel University College Of Medicine	USMLE
5	Kevin Jason Borders	Univ Of Alabama School Of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE/NC
6	Jamie Annemarie Cannon	Univ Of AZ College Of Medicine	USMLE/GA
7	Dean Richard Cerio	Saint Georges Univ School Of Medicine	USMLE
8	Ananthakrishna Chilukuri	Univ Of Health Sciences/Chicago Med Sch	USMLE/MI
9	Kimberly Allison Cole	Univ Health Sciences Coll Osteopathic Med	COMLEX
10	Patrick Fitzgerald O'Kilner Conrad	Univ of Florida College of Medicine	USMLE/FL
11	Stuart Louis Cramer	Southeastern Coll Of Osteopathic Med	NBME/SC
12	Denny James Dartez	Louisiana State Univ Sch Of Med Shreveport	USMLE
13	* Scott Edward Dean	Univ Of Illinois Coll Of Med Chicago	NBME/FL
14	* Jaideep Debsikdar	Univ Of So AL College Of Medicine	USMLE/NC
15	Ankit Rajnikant Desai	Univ Of Florida College Of Medicine	USMLE/FL
16	Grant Evan Eudy	Univ Of Alabama School Of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE/GA
17	Julian Hart Fisher	Johns Hopkins Univ Sch Of Med	FLEX/NY
18	James "Jay" Brewster Gardner Jr.	Louisiana State Univ Sch Of Med New Orleans	USMLE/LA
19	* Sunil Kumar Goli	Gandhi Medical College Osmania University	USMLE/ND
20	James Hardy Gordon	Medical College Of Georgia School Of Med	USMLE/SC
21	Kimberly Allison Gran	Medical College Of Georgia School Of Med	USMLE
22	David Gentry Greer	Eastern Virginia Medical School	USMLE/TN
23	Emily Smith Grezaffi	Louisiana State Univ Sch Of Med New Orleans	USMLE/AL
24	Kevin Clark Harbour	Univ Of Mississippi School Of Medicine	USMLE/MS
25	* Debra Ann Hebert	Univ Health Sciences Coll Osteopathic Med	NBOME/MO
26	* Farah Naeem Khan	Aga Khan Medical College Aga Khan Univ	USMLE/SC
27	Steven William Malik	Univ Of Miami School Of Med	USMLE/LA
28	Gloria Susan Massey	Univ Of So AL College Of Medicine	NBME/CA
29	Steven W. Meisterling	Creighton University School Of Medicine	USMLE/MI
30	Joon-Shik Moon	College Of Medicine Yonsei University	USMLE/MN
31	Charan Mungara	Adichunchanagiri Inst Of Med Sci U Mysore	USMLE
32	Kitefre Okitefre Oboho	College Of Medicine University Of Nigeria	USMLE/GA
33	Jesse Lee Pace	Pikeville College School Of Osteo Med	NBOME/OH
34	William David Recupero	Univ Health Sciences Coll Osteopathic Med	COMLEX/VA
35	Gocha Saliashvili	Tbilisskij Medical Institute	USMLE
36	John McLean Trotter	Univ Of Mississippi School Of Medicine	USMLE/MS
37	Monica Cathleen Tucci	Southeastern Coll Of Osteopathic Med	NBME/SC
38	Alexandra Maria Walsh	Ohio State University College Of Med	USMLE/IL

39	Ryan Robert Walsh	Univ Of Cincinnati College Of Medicine	USMLE/IL
40	* Michael Burton Williams	Univ Of Miami School Of Med	USMLE/HI
41	Mohammad Al-Ali	Fac Of Med Univ Of Damascus	USMLE/PA
42	Mohamad Rasm AlSibae	Fac Of Med Univ Of Damascus	USMLE/MI
43	William Smith Craig IV	Quillen-Dishner Coll Of Med East Tn State Uni	USMLE/MN
44	Adam Jay Handwerger	Univ Of So AL College Of Medicine	USMLE
45	Rachel Lynn Mereus Harris	Morehouse School Of Medicine	USMLE/NC
46	Jasmine Naheed	Dhaka Medical College	USMLE
47	Carl Elihu Rosenberg	Univ Of Minnesota Sch Of Med Minneapolis	NBME/MN
48	Tif William Siragusa	University Of Texas Medical School	USMLE/TX
49	William David Tutrone	St. Georges U/Univ Of Vermont COM	USMLE
50	John Stephen van der Steeg	Pennsylvania State Univ College Of Med	NBME/PA
51	Ross Martin Vander Noot	Univ Of Alabama School Of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE
52	Jesse Lyle West IV	Duke University School Of Medicine	USMLE/WI
53	Tracey Small Wilson	Howard Univ Coll Of Med	USMLE/TX

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the above list of endorsement applicants. The motion was adopted.

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

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

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

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

\*Debra Ann Hebert, D.O. After consideration of the application for licensure through endorsement and acceptance of the Non-Disciplinary Citation with Administrative Charge,

the Credentials Committee recommended approval of the endorsement application. The motion was adopted.

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

\*Michael Burton Williams, M.D. After consideration of the application for licensure through endorsement and acceptance of the Non-Disciplinary Citation with Administrative Charge, the Credentials Committee recommended approval of the endorsement application. The motion was adopted.

### **LIMITED LICENSE**

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Medical School</u>	<u>Endor. With</u>
1	Omar Mohamed Al-Kahlout	School Of Medicine Iberoamerican Univ	LL/AL
2	Balaji Gopidasan	Madras Medical Coll University Of Madras	LL/AL
3	Ravjot Singh Sarao	Government Medical College	LL/AL
4	Fema Baldonado Aquino	Fac Of Med & Surg Univ Santo Tomas	LL/AL
5	Binod Bista	Kathmandu Medical College	LL/AL
6	Sameera Davuluri	Siddhartha Medical College Gunadala	LL/AL
7	Pedro Alexis Gonzales Alvarez	Academic Prgm Human Med De San Marcos Univ	LL/AL
8	Candy Lamas Rodriguez	Academic Prgm Human Med De San Marcos Univ	LL/AL

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

## PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS / ADVANCE PRACTICE NURSES

### Temporary P.A. License to Full License

	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>NCCPA</u>
1	James Kevin Brannon	UAB	1084169
2	Bruno Marius Suditu	UAB	1081191

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

### P.A. Registration

Shana Burke, P.A. / Tom Ashar, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sheryll C. Coleman, P.A. / Phillip Fischer, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sheryll C. Coleman, P.A. / R. Scott McCord, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sheryll C. Coleman, P.A. / Jason Jack, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sheryll C. Coleman, P.A. / John Matthews, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sheryll C. Coleman, P.A. / Dewey Jones, IV, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sheryll C. Coleman, P.A. / Donald H. Slappey, Jr., M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sheryll C. Coleman, P.A. / Stepehn R. Steinmetz, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sheryll C. Coleman, P.A. / Rex A. Sherer, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sheryll C. Coleman, P.A. / Jay C. Long, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sheryll C. Coleman, P.A. / Robert Heidepriem, III, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sheryll C. Coleman, P.A. / William D. Whitley, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sheryll C. Coleman, P.A. / Christopher Davis, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sheryll C. Coleman, P.A. / Wilbur Glen Wells, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sheryll C. Coleman, P.A. / Alvin B. Cohn, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

William Matthew Fallin, P.A. / Robert Linsey Echols, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Regina D. Goff, P.A. / Alvin B. Cohn, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Regina D. Goff, P.A. / John Christopher Davis, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Regina D. Goff, P.A. / William David Whitley, M.D. The Credentials Committee

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

Karen Harness, P.A. / April Maddux, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Karen Harness, P.A. / William D. Whitley, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Karen Harness, P.A. / Alvin B. Cohn, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Paxton Johanson, P.A. / William D. Whitley, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Paxton Johanson, P.A. / Wilbur Glen Wells, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Paxton Johanson, P.A. / Alvin B. Cohn, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Joo Sabina Kang, P.A. / Luis R. Pernia, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Linda Langston, P.A. / Alvin B. Cohn, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Linda Langston, P.A. / Matthew Davis, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Peter Littlefield, P.A. / Paul Sauer, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Peter Littlefield, P.A. / Alvin B. Cohn, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Peter Littlefield, P.A. / April Maddux, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Peter Littlefield, P.A. / Robert Heiderpriem, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Peter Littlefield, P.A. / Sundar Krishnan, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Peter Littlefield, P.A. / Glen Wells, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Peter Littlefield, P.A. / Ekkehard Bonatz, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Peter Littlefield, P.A. / Justin Moellinger, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Peter Littlefield, P.A. / William D. Whitley, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Peter Littlefield, P.A. / Sherry Collawn, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Lindsey Brett Leonard, P.A. / Scott B. Robbins, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Lee R. Mackin, P.A. / Lowell Dean Mason, II, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Donald Francis McArthur, P.A. / Hugh Marvin Hood, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application including remote site and, with standard language previously approved by the Board, number twenty-three, birth control



drugs and devices, on the P.A. formulary. The motion was adopted.

Sally Morriss, P.A. / Sherry Collawn, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sally Morriss, P.A. / Alvin B. Cohn, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sally Morriss, P.A. / Phillip Fischer, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Sally Morriss, P.A. / William D. Whitley, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Thomas Harwood Mullican, P.A. / Robert Linsey Echols, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Lonnie T. Parsons, P.A. / Luis R. Pernia, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Matthew J. Plummer, P.A. / Lowell Dean Mason, II, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Victoria J. Porter, P.A. / Paula Rookis, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Victoria J. Porter, P.A. / Alvin B. Cohn, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Patricia Ann Simmons, P.A. / Sahahuddin Farooqui, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application including, with standard language previously approved by the Board, number twenty-three on the P.A. formulary,

birth control drugs and devices. The Committee further recommended requesting a letter of clarification regarding the request for the P.A. to prescribe Oxytocics, and requesting clarification of whether Dr. Farooqui has obstetrical privileges at the hospital. The motion was adopted.

Ashley Waggoner, P.A. / Luis R. Pernia, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Christopher D. Williamson, P.A. / Lowell Dean Mason, II, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Christopher D. Williamson, P.A. / Jeffrey L. Caylor, D.O. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Darrell M. Ziroli, P.A. / Brigitta Caroline Brott, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application including, with standard language previously approved by the Board, number twenty-three on the P.A. formulary, birth control drugs and devices. The motion was adopted.

### **Miscellaneous Requests / Reports**

Kevin Brannon, P.A. / David A. Clark, M.D. - Request consideration of formulary The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. formulary. The motion was adopted.

David Bryan, P.A. / Shelley Ray, M.D. - Request consideration of documentation of training to perform Blue Light Photo Dynamic Therapy The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the documentation of training the P.A. to perform Blue Light

Photo Dynamic Therapy. The motion was adopted.

Michael Gibson, M.D. / Timothy Bunker, M.D. - Request clarification regarding Pulsed and Thermocoagulation Radiofrequency Lesioning The Credentials Committee recommended the Board adopt the opinion that Pulsed and Thermocoagulation Radiofrequency Lesioning is a modality that affects living tissue and is governed under Administrative Rule 540-X-11, and that the physician must register, but, because the procedure will not be delegated, the physician is not required to have written protocols or delegate quality assurance documentation. The motion was adopted.

Ron Philley, P.A. / Larry Parker, M.D. - Request consideration of additional duties The Credentials Committee recommended denial of the request for the P.A. to perform posterior lumbar surgical exposure including midline skin incision, superficial dissection, and subfascial dissection. The motion was adopted.

Bruno Suditu, P.A. / John Cuckler, M.D. - Request consideration of formulary The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. formulary. The motion was adopted.

Request for clarification of Board's position on covering physicians The Credentials Committee recommended the Board adopt the opinion that a mid-level practitioner may only practice in a hospital where the mid-level practitioner and their supervising physician both have privileges. The motion was adopted.

Brennan C Garvey, PA / James K. Kirklin, M.D. - Request consideration of additional duties The Credentials Committee recommended denial of the following requested duties: sternotomy, internal mammary artery harvest, Swan-Ganz catheter insertion, thoracentesis, and thoracotomy. The Committee recommended approval of the following duties as

previously approved by the Board: intra-aortic balloon pump insertion; radial artery harvest; central venous line placement; femoral vein and artery exposure, with documentation of training; arterial line insertion; thoracostomy tube insertion only in the operating room during a sternotomy or thoracotomy with the physician physically present; and sternal closure only when the supervising or covering physician is still scrubbed in for that particular case, with the stipulation that chest wall closure is only to be performed by a physician. The motion was adopted.

Gregg B. Parsons, P.A. / David C. McGiffin, M.D. - Request consideration of additional duties The Credentials Committee recommended denial of the following requested duties: sternotomy. The Committee recommended approval of the following duties as previously approved by the Board: intra-aortic balloon pump insertion; femoral vein and artery exposure, with documentation of training; arterial line insertion; and sternal closure only when the supervising or covering physician is still scrubbed in for that particular case, with the stipulation that chest wall closure is only to be performed by a physician. The Committee recommended approval to train the P.A. to perform radial artery harvest. The motion was adopted.

Linda Haws Brantley, P.A. / William L. Holman, M.D. - Request consideration of additional duties The Credentials Committee recommended denial of the following requested duties: sternotomy, internal mammary artery harvest, and thoracentesis,. The Committee recommended approval of the following duties as previously approved by the Board: intra-aortic balloon pump insertion; radial artery harvest; femoral vein and artery exposure, with documentation of training; arterial line insertion; and sternal closure only when the supervising or covering physician is still scrubbed in for that particular case, with

the stipulation that chest wall closure is only to be performed by a physician. The motion was adopted.

Allyson Anne Hill, P.A. / Octavio E. Pajaro, M.D. - Request consideration of additional duties The Credentials Committee recommended denial of the following requested duties: sternotomy. The Committee recommended approval of the following duties as previously approved by the Board: intra-aortic balloon pump insertion; arterial line insertion; and sternal closure only when the supervising or covering physician is still scrubbed in for that particular case, with the stipulation that chest wall closure is only to be performed by a physician. The Committee recommended approval to train the P.A. to perform radial artery harvest and central venous line placement. The motion was adopted.

Benjamin L. Wirt, P.A. / Constantine L. Athanasuleas, M.D. - Request consideration of additional duties The Credentials Committee recommended denial of the following requested duties: sternotomy, internal mammary artery harvest, Swan-Ganz catheter insertion, and thoracentesis. The Committee recommended approval of the following duties as previously approved by the Board: intra-aortic balloon pump insertion; radial artery harvest; central venous line placement; femoral vein and artery exposure, with documentation of training; arterial line insertion; thoracostomy tube insertion only in the operating room during a sternotomy or thoracotomy with the physician physically present; and sternal closure only when the supervising or covering physician is still scrubbed in for that particular case, with the stipulation that chest wall closure is only to be performed by a physician. The motion was adopted.

Deborah W. Riemer, P.A. / Constantine L. Athanasuleas, M.D. - Request consideration of additional duties The Credentials Committee recommended denial of the following

requested duties: sternotomy, internal mammary artery harvest, Swan-Ganz catheter insertion, and thoracentesis. The Committee recommended approval of the following duties as previously approved by the Board: intra-aortic balloon pump insertion; radial artery harvest; central venous line placement; femoral vein and artery exposure, with documentation of training; arterial line insertion; thoracostomy tube insertion only in the operating room during a sternotomy or thoracotomy with the physician physically present; and sternal closure only when the supervising or covering physician is still scrubbed in for that particular case, with the stipulation that chest wall closure is only to be performed by a physician. The motion was adopted.

UAB / PA Additional Duties The Credentials Committee recommended corresponding with University Hospital Chief of Staff, Dr. Cynthia Brumfield, and Kirkland Clinic Chief of Staff, Dr. Nancy Dunlap, notifying them that, to come into compliance with the rules of the Board which govern PAs, UAB and Kirklin Clinic should request approval for all additional duties performed by each individual PA employed by UAB and Kirklin Clinic, and that any PA performing duties not specifically approved is subject to action by the Board. The Committee recommended that any PA, found to be performing duties not specifically approved for the individual PA by the Board, be placed on the next available agenda for further action by the Board. The motion was adopted.

Punch Biopsies - The Credential Committee recommended that the Board's opinion that the 5mm restriction for biopsies, shaves and cryosurgery apply only to the face, and that biopsies, shaves and cryosurgery performed on other areas of the body be limited to a depth which can be closed with a simple (single layer) closure. The motion was adopted.

Collaborative Practice Issues The Credentials Committee recommended that the Board

adopt the opinion that non-approval of an existing collaborative practice for non-payment of fees applies only to the specific collaborative practice for which the fee has not been received, and does not affect any other collaborative practice for which the physician has submitted the required forms and fees.

Regarding an application for a new collaborative practice, the Committee opined that, if a physician has received temporary approval of a new collaborative practice, but has not paid the required fee, nor notified the Board that the collaborative practice is terminated, approval for a subsequent collaborative practice application will be deferred and temporary privileges be non-approved pending resolution of the unpaid collaborative practice. The motion was adopted.

Laura J. Boman, CRNP / Wilburn Smith, M.D. / Samuel P. Walker, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval for Dr. Smith to be considered "readily available" as Ms. Boman's supervising physician when he is located in Montgomery while she is practicing in Luverne at a time that Dr. Walker is unavailable. The approval of this time / distance standard is approved only for this specific collaborative practice. The motion was adopted.

### **CURRENT BUSINESS**

Administrative Rule 540-X-7, Appendix A, Application for Registration of Physician Assistant The Credentials Committee recommended approval of Administrative Rule 540-X-7, Appendix A for final adoption. The motion was adopted.


Chinese Physician Education Program The Credentials Committee recommended that notification of the Chinese Physician Fellowship at Baptist Medical Center Princeton be

received as information. The motion was adopted.

Volunteer, Licensed Physicians - Request for Board Opinion The Credentials Committee recommended publishing an article in the Board's newsletter regarding volunteer medical professionals and the Retired Senior Volunteer Program license. The Committee recommended referring this issue to Les Hayes, Esq., General Counsel for the Medical Association of the State of Alabama. The motion was adopted.

## **HEARINGS**

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



Larry D. Dixon  
Executive Director



Jorge Alsip, M.D.  
Chairman