# PUBLIC MINUTES ALABAMA BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS May 21, 2008 2:00 p.m.

848 Washington Ave. Montgomery, AL

#### Members Present

**Members Not Present** 

James G. Davis, M.D.

Pamela D. Varner, M.D.

Jorge Alsip, M.D., Chairman Kenneth Aldridge, M.D., Vice-Chairman James G. Chambers, 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.

Paul M. Nagrodzki, M.D.

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

Others Present

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

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

PUBLIC MINUTES OF APRIL 16, 2008 The Credentials Committee recommended

approval of the Public Minutes of April 16, 2008, as amended. The motion was adopted.

Amendment: Page 11, Entry #1,

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.

#### **ENDORSEMENT**

	<u>Name</u>	Medical School	Endor. With
1	* Mark Edward Ates	Univ Of Miami School Of Med	NBME/VA
2	Dennis Anthony Auth	Lake Erie Col of Osteopathic Medicine	NBOME/WI
3	Arden LeRoy Aylor Jr.	Sch Med & Vet Med Ross University	USMLE
4	Shiping Bao	Anhui Medical College	USMLE
5	Gustavo Martin Benaderet	University Of The Republic	USMLE/IN
6	Lynsey Allen Biondi	Univ Of Texas Southwestern Medical School	UMSLE
7	Stacey Rae Black	Univ of Texas Medical School at Galveston	USMLE/IN
8	James Scott Burrow	Univ Of So AL College Of Medicine	USMLE/NC
9	* Gilbert Niles Clinton II	Louisiana State Univ Sch Of Med Shreveport	USMLE/AR
10	Bryan Alexander Currie	Southeastern Coll Of Osteopathic Med	COMLEX/VA
11	Derek Allen DuBay	Univ Of Iowa Coll Of Med	USMLE/MI
12	Heinz Alexander Dueffer	Univ Of Alabama School Of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE/AL
13	Michael Joseph Gaffud	Tulane Univ School Of Med	USMLE/IL
14	Ronald Bernhard Jacob Glass	Pulse Beat Med Sch Univ Witwatersrand	FLEX/MA
15	* Antonio Rafael Gonzalez-Ruiz	Sch Med Fac Med Sci Central Del Este Univ	FLEX/GA
16	Dhawal Arun Goradia	University Of Texas Medical School	USMLE/WA
17	Gary Brian Gray	College Of Medicine Univ Of Arkansas	USMLE/AL
18	Richard John Grisoli	Louisiana State Univ Sch Of Med New Orleans	FLEX/LA
19	Elizabeth McGahey Holley	Univ Of Alabama School Of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE/LA
20	* Charles Calvin Hoo	Saint Georges Univ School Of Medicine	USMLE/CA
21	Charles Austin Hunt II	Iniana University School of Medicine	USMLE/KY
22	Atsuko Ishikawa	Kansai Medical College	USMLE/MS
23	Jesu Jacob	New York College Of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX/USMLE/NY
24	Edgar Alberto Jaimes	Fac Of Med Coll Mayor De Nuestra Senora Del R	USMLE/MN
25	Ibrahim Mustafa Khalifeh	Fac Of Med American Univ Of Beirut	USMLE

26	Kevin John Kikta	Oklahoma College Of Osteopathic Medicine	NBOME/NJ
27	Bryan R. King	Univ of Michigan Medical School	USMLE/AL
28	Gregory Klisch	Medical College Of Virginia School Of Med	USMLE/VA
29	Andrew Wayne Knott	Univ Of So AL College Of Medicine	USMLE/OH
30	Anurag Reddy Kumbham	Armed Forces Med Coll Univ Of Pune	USMLE/GA
31	Sharat Kumar Kusuma	Vanderbilt University School Of Med	USMLE/PA
32	Michael William LaGrange	Indiana Univ School Of Med Indianapolis	USMLE
33	Sandra Marie Malakauskas	Univ Of Calif San Francisco Sch Of Med	USMLE/NC
34	Charlotte Emilie Menzel	McGill Univ Faculty Of Medicine	NBME/Quebec
35	* Tommy John Morgan	Medical College Of Georgia School Of Med	USMLE/HI
36	* Theophilus Okeke	Saint Georges Univ School Of Medicine	FLEX/CA
37	Timothy Neal Ozburn	Medical College Of Georgia School Of Med	USMLE/GA
38	Christopher Ashley Park	Univ Of Alabama School Of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE/NC
39	Eric Daniel Parks	Quillen-dishner Coll Of Med East TN State Uni	USMLE/TN
40	Ajay Sombhai Patel	College Of Medicine Univ Of Arkansas	USMLE/GA
41	Everett Leland Perry	Loma Linda Univ SOM	USMLE/GA
42	Justin Hung Pham	University Of Vermont College Of Medicine	USMLE/CA
43	Scott Allen Raber	Univ Of Kentucky Coll Of Med	NBME/KY
44	* Eddie Reed	Yale Univ School Of Med	NBME/CA
45	Karen Ghislaine Reynolds	Univ Of Med & Den NJ Medical School	NBME/VA
46	Staci Davis Ridner	Quillen-Dishner Coll Of Med East TN State Uni	USMLE
47	Ralph David Roden Jr.	Univ Of Alabama School Of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE/AL
48	Walter George Rusyniak Jr.	University Of Rochester School Of Medicine	FLEX/NY
49	Neil E. Schamban	Medical College Of Pennsylvania	USMLE/CT
50 51	Kendra Dionne Sheppard	Meharry Medical College School of Med	USMLE/KY
	Narendra Kumar Singh	Univ Of Saskatchewan College Of Medicine	LMCC/TN
52	Xavier Leondis Smith	Tulane Univ School Of Med	USMLE
53	Nizar Souayah	Faculty Of Medicine Of Tunis	USMLE/PA
54 55	Brian Alford Stone	Morehouse Sch Med/UASOM Birmingham	NBME/NY
56	Sylvia A. P. Subong-Chambers	Howard Univ Coll Of Med	NBME/USMLE/LA
57	* Phillip Sang Suh Joseph Stephen Susa	State Univ Of NY Downstate Med Cen	USMLE/LA
58	Robert D. Swift	Kirksville College Of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX/TX
59	* Crystal Ulani Twynham	New York College Of Osteopathic Medicine	NBOME/GA
60	Marcus Ueltschey	Univ Of Minnesota Sch Of Med Minneapolis	NBME/WI
61	Rodrigo Valderrama	Univ Of Mississippi School Of Medicine Fac Of Med National Univ Of Colombia	USMLE/SC USMLE
62	Robert Alan VerNooy Jr.		USMLE/VA
63	Andrew Mark Wilhelm	University Of Rochester School Of Medicine Lake Erie Col Of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX/MS
64	Roger Judd Williams	Medical College Of Georgia School Of Med	NBME/GA
65	Hishalah Zvulon	State Univ Of NY Downstate Med Cen	USMLE/NJ
66	Stacey Nicole Akers	Univ Of So AL College Of Medicine	USMLE/MI
67	Andrew Brandon Bullington	Emory University School of Medicine	USMLE/GA
68	Meredith Ann Corlew	Univ Of So AL College Of Medicine	USMLE/AL
69	William Joseph Dobak	Ohio Univ College Of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX/GA
70	Jewell Sandra Hamner	Wayne State Univ School Of Med	FLEX/MI
71	Racquel Dawn Innis-Shelton	Creighton U/Medical College Of Georgia SOM	USMLE/GA
72	Mary Elizabeth Landau-Levine	Duke University School Of Medicine	FLEX/MO
73	Roslyn Julie Bernstein Mannon	Duke University School Of Medicine	NBME/NC
74	Paul Stephen Raphael	Fac Of Med & Surgery Univ Of Bologna	FLEX/NY
75	Daniel Matthew Sherrer	Univ Of Alabama School Of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE
76	Charles Henry Wilson IV	Univ Of Alabama School Of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE/FL
77	* Lee Anthony Carney	USACOM	USMLE
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The Credentials Committee recommended approval of endorsement applicants one through seventy-seven. The motion was adopted.

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

\*Gilbert Niles Clinton, II, M.D. After consideration of the application for licensure through endorsement, the Credentials Committee recommended approval of the endorsement application. The motion was adopted.

\*Antonio Rafael Gonzalez-Ruiz, M.D. After consideration of the application for licensure through endorsement, the Credentials Committee recommended approval of the endorsement application. The motion was adopted.

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

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

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

\*Eddie Reed, M.D. After consideration of the application for licensure through endorsement, the Credentials Committee recommended approval of the endorsement

application. The motion was adopted.

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

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

\*Lee Anthony Carney, M.D. After consideration of a request from Dr. Carney to rescind the withdrawal of his application, the Credentials Committee recommended approval of the endorsement application and acceptance of the Non-Disciplinary Citation with Administrative Charge. The motion was adopted.

#### SPECIAL PURPOSE LICENSE

Name

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Principal Place of Practice Location

Jeffrey Michael Huggett, M.D.

Goodlettsville, TN

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the Special Purpose License applicant. The motion was adopted.

## **LIMITED LICENSE**

	<u>Name</u>	Medical School	Endor. With
1	Hadiga Batool	Allama Iqal Med Coll Univ Of The Punjab	LL/AL
2	Xinyu Chen	Medical College of Xiamen University	LL/AL
3	Zuomin Chen	Hubei Medical College Wuhan Medical Univ	LL/AL
4	Navjot Dhillon	Guru Govind Singh Med Coll Punjab Univ	LL/AL
5	Jorge Arturo Diaz Castro	Academic Prgm Med Peruana Cayetano Heredia	LL/AL
6	Hari Naga Venu Gopal Garapati	Siddhartha Medical College Gunadala	LL/AL
7	Hye Young Jeun	College Of Medicine Ewha Women's University	LL/AL
8	Mohamed Khalid	Mysore Med Coll Mysore University	LL/AL
9	Fatoumata Kromah	Sch Med & Vet Med Ross University	LLAL
10	Arelis E. Martir-Negron	Universidad Autonoma De Guadalajara	LL/AL
11	Neha Suneet Paranjape	Grant Medical College Univ Of Bombay	LL/AL
12	Rolando Sanchez Sanchez	Universidad Peruana Cayetano Heredia	LL/AL
13	Naveen Singanamala	Sri Deva Raj Urs Med Col	LL/AL
14	Preet Paul Singh	All India Inst Of Medical Sciences	LL/AL
15	Edwin Enrique Villarreal Mazzilli	Faculty Of Med Free Univ Of Colombia	LL/AL

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of Limited License Applicants one through fifteen. The motion was adopted.

# PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS / ADVANCE PRACTICE NURSES

## P.A. License

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<u>Name</u>	School	<u>NCCPA</u>
Lindsay S. Fretts	South University	1081219

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. License applicant. The motion was adopted.

## A.A. License

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	NCCAA
Cybill Woodfolk-Evans Hunt J. Ward Joines	Emory University Emory University	473 251

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

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

Name School NCCPA

1 Crystal Dianna Coker Barry University 1081082

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the Temporary P.A. License to Full License applicant. The motion was adopted.

## P.A. Registration

Melissa Harding Almond, P.A. / Michael G. Gibson, 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.

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

<u>Darron E. Forrest, P.A. / Michael G. Gibson, M.D.</u> 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.

Lindsay S. Fretts, P.A. / Joseph H. Sewell, 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.

Joseph Clark Guthrie, P.A. / Mohammad Kamran, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The Committee recommended requesting a letter of confirmation stating that Dr. Kamran will be present with the P.A. at the remote site. The motion was adopted.

<u>Karen L. Harness, P.A. / William Summers, M.D.</u> The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

John Andrew Hartsell, P.A. / Michael G. Gibson, 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.

J. Sabina Kang, P.A. / Andrew M. DeWitt, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Amy Nicole Kirkland, P.A. / Jonah McIntyre, 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.

<u>David Ray Kloda, P.A. / Michael John Hanaway, M.D.</u> The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

<u>Linda Langston, P.A. / William Summers, M.D.</u> The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

<u>Lindsey Brett Leonard, P.A. / Henry H. Barnard, M.D.</u> The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

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

<u>Peter Littlefield, P.A. / Victoria Masear, M.D.</u> The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Donald Francis McArthur, P.A. / Paul Arnold Corbier, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application with remote site privileges and, 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.

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

<u>Victoria Porter, P.A. / William Summers, M.D.</u> The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Mary Jane Rasbury, P.A. / Christoper L. Amling, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application including difficult foley cathether placement using filiforms/followers with documentation of P.A. training. The Committee recommended requesting a letter of clarification regarding the request for ureteral stent removal. The motion was adopted.

Deborah W. Riemer, P.A. / Constantine Anthanasuleas, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The Committee recommended denial of the following additional duties: sternotomy, Swan-Ganz insertion, and thoracentesis. The Committee recommended approval of, with language previously approved by the Board, chest tube insertion, central line insertion, radial

artery harvesting, arterial line insertion, intra-aortic balloon pumps, sternal closure, and femoral artery and vein exposure. The motion was adopted.

<u>Eve Toledo Santiago, P.A. / Samuel R. Goldstein, M.D.</u> The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Geron E. Story, P.A. / Robert L. Echols, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

Geron E. Story, P.A. / Robertt L. Echols, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted.

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

Charles D. Winfrey, P.A. / Jennifer Signe Marsden, M.D. The Credentials

Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application with remote site privileges and, 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.

Benjamin L. Wirt, P.A. / Constantine Anthanasuleas, M.D. The Credentials

Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The Committee recommended denial of the following additional duties: sternotomy, Swan-Ganz insertion, and thoracentesis. The Committee recommended approval of, with language previously approved by the Board, chest tube insertion, central line insertion, radial artery harvesting, arterial line insertion, intra-aortic balloon pumps, sternal closure, and femoral artery and vein exposure. The motion was adopted.

#### Miscellaneous Requests / Reports

Jon E. Adams, P.A. / Peter M. Dichiara, M.D. - Request remote site privileges The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request for remote site privileges. The motion was adopted.

Kevin Brannon, P.A. / David Clark, M.D. - Request approval of documentation of training to perform joint injections. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the documentation of having trained the P.A. to perform joint injections. The motion was adopted.

Cynthia G. Brumfield, M.D. - Request clarification of PA job description The Credentials Committee recommended notifying Dr. Brumfield that "nasogastric intubation and gastric lavage" does include the removal of nasograstric tubes, and that the removal of central venous lines, endo tracheal and tracheal extubation pursuant to physician protocol, removal of arterial lines, removal of pulmonary artery catheters, and removal of intra-aortic balloon pumps are duties approved for the P.A. to perform, or assist with, in a surgical intensive care unit. The motion was adopted.

Jimmy Cleveland, P.A. / Ronald A. Shaw, M.D. - Request additional practice sites

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request for additional practice sites. The motion was adopted.

<u>Crystal Dianna Coker, P.A. / Robert Linsey Echols, M.D. - Request consideration of formulary</u> The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. formulary. The motion was adopted.

Richard A. Lauderdale, P.A. / John Moorehouse, M.D. - Request additional practice sites The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request for additional

practice sites. The motion was adopted.

George Payne, P.A. - Reinstatement request The Credentials Committee recommended the report be received as information. The motion was adopted.

Christin Rowe, P.A. / Alan R.Stanford, M.D. - Clarification of electrodessication and currettage and request to prescribe topical and oral anti-inflammatory medications. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request for the P.A. to perform electrodessication and curretage, and approved the request for number two on the P.A. formulary, topical and oral anti-inflammatory medications. The motion was adopted.

<u>Trinity Medical Services - Request for review of their form regarding scope of</u>

<u>practice of PA</u> The Credentials Committee recommended providing Trinity Medical

Services with a list of duties approved by the Board and the Board's standard language pertaining to such duties. The motion was adopted.

<u>Urology Specialists - Request for clarification of laser reporting requirements on microwave machines</u> The Credentials Committee recommended the Board adopt the opinion that the microwave technique 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.

Benjamin P. Watts, P.A. / Glenn E. Esses, M.D. - Request permission to train to perform vein sclerotherapy injections The Credentials Committee recommended approval to train the P.A. to perform vein sclerotherapy injections as currently approved by the Board. The motion was adopted.

Benny Wilkerson, P.A. / Ronald A. Shaw, M.D. - Request additional practice sites

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request for additional practice sites. The motion was adopted.

Deborah Woltersdorf Riemer, P.A. / Constantine L. Athanasuleas, M.D. - Request clarification of additional skills requests and PA standard job description. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request for the P.A. to remove the following devices: nasogastric tubes, intra-aortic balloon pumps, epicardial pacing wires, thorocostomy tubes, pulmonary artery catheters, left atrial lines, arterial lines, and central venous lines and for endotracheal and tracheal extubation pursuant to physician protocol. The motion was adopted.

Benjamin Wirt, P.A. / Constantine L. Athanasuleas, M.D. - Request clarification of additional skills requests and PA standard job description. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request for the P.A. to remove the following devices: nasogastric tubes, intra-aortic balloon pumps, epicardial pacing wires, thorocostomy tubes, pulmonary artery catheters, left atrial lines, arterial lines, and central venous lines and for endotracheal and tracheal extubation pursuant to physician protocol. The motion was adopted.

Gregg Parsons, Jr., P.A. / David C. McGiffin, M.D. - Request clarification of additional skills requests and PA standard job description. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request for the P.A. to remove the following devices: nasogastric tubes, intra-aortic balloon pumps, epicardial pacing wires, thorocostomy tubes, pulmonary artery catheters, left atrial lines, arterial lines, and central venous lines and for endotracheal and tracheal extubation pursuant to physician protocol. The

motion was adopted.

Allyson Hill, P.A. / Octavio E. Pajaro, M.D. - Request clarification of additional skills requests and PA standard job description. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request for the P.A. to remove the following devices: nasogastric tubes, intra-aortic balloon pumps, epicardial pacing wires, thorocostomy tubes, pulmonary artery catheters, left atrial lines, arterial lines, and central venous lines and for endotracheal and tracheal extubation pursuant to physician protocol. The motion was adopted.

Brennan Garvey, P.A. / James K. Kirklin, M.D. - Request clarification of additional skills requests and PA standard job description. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request for the P.A. to remove the following devices: nasogastric tubes, intra-aortic balloon pumps, epicardial pacing wires, thorocostomy tubes, pulmonary artery catheters, left atrial lines, arterial lines, and central venous lines and for endotracheal and tracheal extubation pursuant to physician protocol. The motion was adopted.

Linda Haws Brantley, P.A. / William L. Holman, M.D. - Request clarification of additional skills requests and PA standard job description. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request for the P.A. to remove the following devices: nasogastric tubes, intra-aortic balloon pumps, epicardial pacing wires, thorocostomy tubes, pulmonary artery catheters, left atrial lines, arterial lines, and central venous lines and for endotracheal and tracheal extubation pursuant to physician protocol. The motion was adopted.

Pediatric Critical Care Nurse Practitioners

The Board recommended denial of the

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request for pediatric critical care nurse practitioners to perform chest tube insertion and thoracentesis. The Board recommended approval for pediatric critical care nurse practitioners to perform central line placement as follows: central line placement is granted for general venous access, including jugular and excluding subclavian unless the physician is physically present during the procedure and with Board approved documented training; intended duration of use is not longer than one month; percutaneous insertion without tunneling or burying a portion of the catheter in the subcutaneous tissue between the external insertion site and the insertion into the venous lumen, inserted no farther than the superior vena cava at the innominate vein. The Board recommended approval for pediatric critical care nurse practitioners to perform femoral central line placement for venous sticks or insertion only, not to exceed seventy-two hours, with documented training approved by the Board. The motion was adopted.

## Joint Committee on Advanced Practice Nursing

Joint Committee Meeting - May 20, 2008 The Credentials Committee recommended deferring to the full Board for an oral report to be presented by Dr. Furr. The Board recommended the oral report presented by Dr. Furr 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."

### **CURRENT BUSINESS**

Administrative Rule 540-X-3-.19, Appeal from Denial of Certificate of Qualification

After consideration of an amendment to Administrative Rule 540-X-3-.19, the

Credentials Committee recommended approving the amendment and filing it for publication for public comment in the Administrative Monthly. The motion was adopted.

West Alabama Mental Health Board - Psychiatric Telemedicine After consideration of information from the West Alabama Mental Health Board, the Credentials Committee recommended approval for the West Alabama Mental Health Center, and other community mental health entities created under Act 310, to provide psychiatric services via telemedicine. The motion was adopted.

<u>Volunteer Medical Professional Act</u> The Credentials Committee recommended that the correspondence be received as information. The motion was adopted.

MASA Annual Session BME Update The Credentials Committee, pursuant to Board Rule 540-X-14-.02, recommended approval to designate the MASA Annual Session "BME Update" as the equivalent of one hour of Category 1 continuing medical education, which may be used to meet the annual requirement of continuing medical education for an Alabama medical license. 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. Dixor\ \_\_

Jorge A. Als Chairman