## TEXAS PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT BOARD BOARD MEETING November 14, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 10:25 a.m. by Presiding Officer, Margaret K. Bentley. Board members present were Anna Arredondo Chapman; Felix Koo, M.D.; Teralea Jones, PA-C; and Abelino Abel Reyna. Staff members present were Mari Robinson, Interim Executive Director; Alan Moore, M.D., Interim Medical Director; Jane McFarland, Chief of Staff; Robert Simpson, General Counsel; Jaime Garanflo, Director of Customer Affairs; and various other staff members.

There were no items for Agenda Item #2.

Agenda item #3, Executive Directors Report. Ms. Robinson gave a report on an Attorney General opinion that open meeting agendas are required to be posted with all planned discussion items listed.

Staff gave an update on the renewal notification letters mailed to physician assistants for registration renewals.

Ms. Robinson gave a report on the Legislative Appropriations Request and the Exceptional Items requested. Ms. Robinson report that the mini Sunset Review documented the agencys success in accomplishing licensure goals and the current challenges in meeting increased enforcement demands.

Ms. Robinson gave a report on Town Hall meetings held to improve communication with licensees. The board discussed coordinating an additional Town Hall meeting for physician assistants.

Ms. Robinson gave a report that in response to the Governors October 14, 2008 directive to reduce travel expenses, the Texas Medical Board reviewed travel costs to identify possible travel costs reductions and approved the reduction of the number of Medical Board meetings from six to five board meetings per year.

Agenda item #4 was deferred to later in the meeting.

Agenda item #5, Consideration and Approval of Non-Public Rehabilitation Orders and Modification Request/Termination Request of Non-Public Rehabilitation Orders. After discussion, Mr. Reyna moved, Dr. Koo seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Non-Public Nunc Pro Tunc Order #39.

There were no items for agenda item #6.

Agenda item #7, Consideration and Approval of Modification Request/Termination Request Orders. After discussion, Mr. Reyna moved, Dr. Koo seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Termination Request Order for Robert Leon Webster, Jr., P.A.

There were no items for agenda items #8-10.

Agenda item #11, Consideration and Approval of Termination of Suspension Orders. After discussion, Mr. Reyna moved, Ms. Jones seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Termination of Suspension Order for Stephanie Bowers.

Agenda item #3, Executive Director report (continued). Ms. Robinson introduced Alan T. Moore, M.D., the new Medical Director. Dr. Moore made a brief statement.

There were no items for agenda items #12-13.

Agenda item #14, Consideration and Approval of minutes of July 25, 2008 Board Meeting. After discussion, Dr. Koo moved, Ms. Chapman seconded, and the motion passed to approve the minutes of July 25, 2008 Board Meeting.

Agenda item #4, Consideration and Approval of Proposed Board Meeting Calendar. After discussion, Mr. Reyna moved, Ms. Jones seconded, and the motion passed to approve the proposed board meeting calendar with the exception to change the February 27, 2009 date to March 20, 2009.

Agenda item #15, Committee reports and the consideration and approval of minutes and action items of committees meeting during the board meeting.

Ms. Chapman gave a report of the Discipline and Ethics Committee. Ms. Jones reported that the Licensure Committee deferred applicant Joycelyn Gordon to the full board. Ms. Gordon gave a presentation. After discussion, Mr. Reyna moved, Ms. Chapman seconded, and the motion passed to approve a restrictive license for Joycelyn Gordon with the substantive provisions of her California order with quarterly reports for three years. Ms. Jones moved, Mr. Reyna seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Discipline and Ethics Committee minutes and action items.

Ms. Jones gave a report of the Licensure Committee. Ms. Jones moved, Mr. Reyna seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Licensure Committee minutes and action items.

Agenda item #16, Adjourn. There being no further agenda items the meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.