

TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT EXAMINERS  
LICENSURE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 25, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 9:36 a.m. by Chairman, Tony Hedges, D.O. Committee members present were G. Al Bendeck, PA-C and Pamela W. Clark. Jerry Walker, Deputy Executive Director; Michele Shackelford, J.D., General Counsel; Jaime Garanflo, Director, Customer Affairs; Tonie Knight, Manager, Licensing, Permits and Registration; and various other staff were also present.

**Agenda item #3 regarding review of physician assistant applications for permanent licensure, was considered.** Jaime Garanflo, Director, Customer Affairs, presented to the Committee a list of applicants for physician assistant licensure who had met all requirements. **Ms. Clark moved, Mr. Bendeck seconded, and the motion passed to recommend to the full Board that the 152 applicants and two relicensure applicants listed be granted Physician Assistant licensure.**

**Agenda item #4, regarding licensure applicants referred to the Licensure Committee by the Executive Director for determination of eligibility, was considered.** Applicant #PA-51 appeared before the Committee for the consideration of her application and to discuss time out of practice since her graduation on December 31, 1999. Applicant #PA-51 made a statement and answered committee members' questions. Applicant #PA-51 explained that she has been living in Switzerland for the last five years, where the PA profession is not recognized. She stated that she has been working in clinical research. **Mr. Bendeck moved, Ms. Clark seconded, all voted in favor, and the motion passed to recommend to the full board that, based on the fact that Applicant #PA-51 does not meet the requirement set out in Board rule 185.4(d) regarding active practice as a Physician Assistant, Applicant #PA-51 be issued a temporary license with an expiration date that will allow her to obtain at least 12 months of supervised practice on the condition that she only work in a setting that provides continuous full-time, on-site physician supervision. Two weeks prior to the**

temporary license expiring, the supervising physician will submit to this office a log showing time worked and an evaluation to board staff regarding Applicant #PA-51's work performance. If this evaluation is favorable, Applicant #PA-51's name may be placed on a list of applicants who have met all requirements for licensure to be considered at the following board meeting. If the evaluation is unsatisfactory, Applicant #PA-51 will be required to appear at the following Board meeting for reconsideration of her application.

Applicant #PA-52 appeared before the Committee for the consideration of his application and to discuss time out of practice since January 2000. Applicant #PA-52 made a statement and answered committee members' questions. Applicant #PA-52 explained that he left practice in January 2000 to live in Europe. He returned and went to work at the University of North Texas (UNT) and has been working in an administrative capacity conducting patient clinical trials. Applicant #PA-52 stated that the Department head at UNT has encouraged him to obtain his license in order to expand his role in the clinic. **Ms. Clark moved, Mr. Bendeck seconded, all voted in favor, and the motion passed to recommend to the full board that, based on the fact that Applicant #PA-52 does not meet the requirement set out in Board rule 185.4(d) regarding active practice as a Physician Assistant, Applicant #PA-52 be issued a temporary license with an expiration date that will allow him to obtain at least 12 months of supervised practice on the condition that he only work in a setting that provides continuous full-time, on-site physician supervision. Two weeks prior to the temporary license expiring, the supervising physician will submit to this office a log showing time worked and an evaluation to board staff regarding Applicant #PA-52's work performance. If this evaluation is favorable, Application #PA-52's name may be placed on a list of applicants who have met all requirements for licensure to be considered at the following board meeting. If the evaluation is unsatisfactory, Applicant #PA-52 will be required to appear at the following Board meeting for reconsideration of his application.**

Applicant #PA-53 appeared before the Committee for the consideration of her application and to discuss time out of practice since August 1997. Applicant #PA-53 made a statement and answered committee members' questions. Applicant #PA-53

explained that she had been out of practice because she had stayed home to raise her children. **Mr. Bendeck moved, Ms. Clark seconded, all voted in favor, and the motion passed to recommend to the full board that, based on the fact that Applicant #PA-53 does not meet the requirement set out in Board rule 185.4(d) regarding active practice as a Physician Assistant, Applicant #PA-53 be issued a temporary license with an expiration date that will allow her to obtain at least 12 months of supervised practice on the condition that she only work in a setting that provides continuous full-time, on-site physician supervision. Two weeks prior to the temporary license expiring, the supervising physician will submit to this office a log showing time worked and an evaluation to board staff regarding Applicant #PA-53's work performance. If this evaluation is favorable, Applicant #PA-53's name may be placed on a list of applicants who have met all requirements for licensure to be considered at the following board meeting. If the evaluation is unsatisfactory, Applicant #PA-53 will be required to appear at the following Board meeting for reconsideration of her application.**

There being no further business, **Ms. Clark moved, Mr. Bendeck seconded, and the motion passed to adjourn the meeting at 9:47 a.m.**