

TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
October 9, 2008

Tim Turner called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Committee members present were Melinda McMichael, M.D., Charles Oswalt, M.D., Larry Price, D.O., and Paulette Southard. Also present were Mari Robinson, Interim Executive Director, Christina Cuellar, Finance Manager, and various staff members.

Agenda item #2-Update on department staffing. Ms Cuellar informed the Finance committee that weve welcomed Sandy Rutherford as the new receptionist who started on September 25, 2008. Finance also welcomes, Robert Sonnier as the new purchaser and he started on October 6, 2008. Ms. Cuellar stated there is still one vacancy remaining for the Accounting V-VI position.

Agenda item #3-Update on budget and revenue. Ms. Cuellar informed the Finance Committee that General Revenue received as of August 31, 2008 is \$27.9 million dollars, the General Revenue appropriated as of September 30, 2008 is \$6.6 million dollars, and the agency has spent \$6.4 million dollars, which is equivalent to 97% of the budget. She also informed the committee we are still receiving 2008 invoices and at this time we have approximately \$194,000 available for the remaining 2008 expenses. Ms. Cuellar also stated that the General Revenue-Dedicated Year to Date received as of August 31, 2008 is \$2.6 million dollars, the General Revenue-Dedicated appropriated as of September 30, 2008 is \$2.6 million dollars, and the agency has spent \$2.6 million dollars, equaling 100% of the budget being exhausted.

Agenda item #4-Discussion, Recommendation, and possible action regarding Rule review and proposed changes to Chapter 175 of Title 22 of the Texas Administration Code. Ms. Jaime Garanfio presented to the board proposed changes to the fees and penalties regarding Surgical Assistants, Physician Assistants and Acupuncturists. Ms. Southard moved to recommend to the full board that the rule be published as proposed in the Texas Register for public comment. Dr. McMichael seconded the motion, all voted in favor and the motion passed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:08 a.m.