TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

June 26, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 10:07 a.m. by Chair, Annette Raggette. Committee members present were Melinda S. Fredricks, Margaret C. McNeese, M.D., and Charles Oswalt, M.D.

Agenda item #2, regarding discussion, recommendation, and possible action on requests for waivers of prescriptive delegation requirements.

The committee received a request for waiver of prescriptive delegation from LaTanya Jones Love, M.D., Medical Director of The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (UTHSC-Houston) Student Health Center. Dr. McNeese recused herself from voting and discussion on this application. Dr. Love appeared before the Committee with L. Maximillian Buja, M.D., Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs at UTHSC-Houston. Dr. Love requested modification of site visit requirements at a mobile clinic in a Medically Underserved Area. Following discussion, Ms. Fredricks moved that the Standing Orders Committee recommend to the full board that Dr. Loves waiver request be approved to allow on-site visits every 6 to 8 weeks. Dr. Oswalt seconded the motion. Ms. Raggette offered a substitute motion. Ms. Raggette moved that the Standing Orders Committee recommend to the full Board that Dr. Loves waiver request be modified to require a site visit every twenty business days, by any physician registered to supervise the PA that staffs the clinic. The substitute motion failed to garner a second, and the motion failed. The Committee voted on the original motion. Dr. Oswalt and Ms. Fredricks voted in favor. Ms. Raggette was opposed. The motion passed.

The committee received a request for waiver of prescriptive delegation from Charles E. Reinhardt, D.O. for reduction of the site visit requirement to 4 hours once a month at the applicants alternate practice site. Following discussion, **Ms. Fredricks moved that the Standing Orders Committee recommend to the full board that Dr. Reinhardts waiver request be denied.** This recommendation was based on Dr. Reinhardts failure to prove that compliance would cause an

undue burden without a corresponding benefit to patient care. **Dr. Oswalt seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion passed.**

Agenda item 3 - regarding a report on waivers acted upon by staff. There were none.

Agenda item 4 - Discussion, recommendation, and possible action on Acupuncture Rules Chapter 183. Ms. Kaufman presented a report on rule changes approved by the Acupuncture Board. Dr. Oswalt moved to recommend to the full board that the proposed addition of 183.19(d) allowing an acupuncturist to use the titles O.M.D. D.O.M. or doctor be stricken. Ms. Fredricks seconded. All voted in favor and the motion passed. Dr. Oswalt moved to recommend to the full board that 183.10 (a)(2) the definition of vital signs be amended to include respiratory rate, height and weight. Dr. McNeese seconded. All voted in favor and the motion passed. Dr. Oswalt moved to recommend to the full Board that the remaining sections be published in the Texas Register for public comment. Ms. Fredricks seconded. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

There being no further business, Ms. Raggette adjourned the meeting at 11:12 a.m.