

TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT EXAMINERS
DISCIPLINARY AND ETHICS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
February 28, 2003

The meeting was called to order at 10:36 a.m. by the Chairman, Michael H. Belgard, PA-C. Other committee members present were Timothy Webb, J.D. and Stephen D. Benold, M.D. Ms. Margaret K. Bentley, was not in attendance at the meeting. Staff members present were Mari Robinson, J.D., Manager of Investigation Department; Lloyd E. McRae, Manager of Complaint and Disciplinary Support Department; Ivan Hurwitz, Manager of Compliance Department; and various other staff.

Agenda item #2, the reporting of the November, December 2002 and January 2003 Enforcement Reports, were considered. This was an informational item only and no action was necessary.

Agenda item #3, regarding review of probationers appearances, was considered. Dr. Benold moved, Mr. Webb seconded and the motion passed, to go into executive session at 10:50 a.m. for consideration of possible rehabilitation orders under the authority of the Open Meetings Act, GOVERNMENT CODE, §551.071; and the Physician Assistant Licensing Act, TEXAS OCCUPATIONS CODE ANNOTATED, §§204.208, 204.254, 204.305, and 204.306; and Attorney Generals Opinion No. H-484. Open session resumed at 10:52 a.m. and it was announced that no action was taken during executive session. A certified agenda of the executive session was made. **Following discussion, Dr. Benold moved, Mr. Webb seconded and the motion passed, to waive probation appearances for the probationers determined to be in full compliance and identified on the list attached to the Board minutes.**

Agenda item #4 regarding review of selected investigative files and cases recommended for dismissal by Informal Settlement Conference/Show Compliance proceedings or staff review, was considered. Mr. Webb moved, Dr. Benold seconded, and the motion passed to go into executive session at 10:55 a.m. for private consultation and advice of counsel concerning pending or contemplated litigation, deliberations concerning licensure applications, and/or possible disciplinary action under the authority of the Open Meetings Act. GOVERNMENT CODE, 551.071; and the Physician Assistant Licensing Act, TEXAS OCCUPATIONS CODE ANNOTATED, 204.208 and 204.254; and Attorney Generals Opinion No. H-484. Open session resumed at 11:16 a.m. and it was announced that no action was taken during executive session. A certified agenda of the executive session was made. **Following discussion, Mr. Webb moved, Dr. Benold seconded, and the motion passed, to recommend the noted resolutions of the listed complaints attached to the Board minutes.**

There being no further business, **Mr. Webb moved, Dr. Benold seconded, and the motion passed to adjourn the meeting at 11:18 a.m.**

