



**TEXAS PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT BOARD
BOARD MEETING
February 26, 2010**

The meeting was called to order at 10:36 a.m. by Presiding Officer, Margaret K. Bentley. Board members present were Anna Chapman; Teralea Jones, PA-C; Felix Koo, M.D.; Richard R. Rahr, Ed.D, PA-C; and Abelino Abel Reyna. Staff members present were Mari Robinson, Executive Director; Jaime Garanfio, Director of Customer Affairs; Jennifer Kaufman, Assistant General Counsel; Megan Goode, Special Projects; and various other staff members.

Agenda item #2, Board Member Report. There were no items for Agenda item #2.

Agenda item #3, Executive Directors Report. Ms. Robinson reported that the Texas Association of Physician Assistants plan to review the Physician Assistant Board meeting calendar to assist in preventing future meeting conflicts.

Ms. Robinson reported the monthly Outreach Programs beginning in February provided educational opportunities for students and licensees regarding the board and how it works. Two hours of continuing medical education are available for a ten dollar processing fee to offset travel costs.

Agenda item #4, Physician Health Program update. Ms. Robinson reported on the status of the Physician Health Program that began accepting pending referrals for licensees that were determined eligible for the program.

Agenda item #5, Budget Report. Ms. Robinson presented the budget report with the legislative leaderships requested 5% budget reductions prioritized to minimize impact on direct services.

There were no agenda items for Agenda Item # 6.

Agenda item #7, Consideration and Approval of Agreed Board Orders. After discussion, Ms. Chapman moved, Mr. Reyna seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Agreed Order for Mandi Glynn Amburn, P.A.; and John A. Neill, P.A.

Agenda item #8, Consideration and Approval of Modification Request/Termination Request Orders. After discussion, Ms. Jones moved, Mr. Reyna seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Order Denying Termination and Granting Modification for Michael Paul Fichter, P.A.

There were no items for agenda items # 9-14.

Agenda item #15, Discussion, Recommendation, and Possible Action regarding Chapter 185, Physician Assistants, with proposed amendments to

- 1. 185.4, relating to Procedural Rules for Licensure Applicants;**
- 2. 185.7, relating to Temporary License;**
- 3. 185.14, relating to Physician Supervision;**
- 4. 185.15, relating to Supervising Physician;**
- 5. 185.16, relating to Employment Guidelines;**
- 6. 185.22, relating to Impaired Physician Assistants;**
- 7. 185.27, relating to Duty to Report Certain conduct to the Board.**

After discussion, **Mr. Reyna moved, Ms. Chapman seconded, and the motion passed to approve for publication Chapter 185, Physician Assistants, with proposed amendments excluding 185.16(e) Clinics Owned by Physician Assistants.** The board directed staff to create a stakeholder group to provide discussion and input on clinics owned by physician assistants.

Agenda item #16, Consideration and Approval of Board Member Absences. In order to ensure a quorum, the board discussed the procedures to notify the Board President and staff when a member is unable to attend a board meeting.

Agenda item #17, Consideration and Approval of the December 4, 2009 Board Meeting Minutes. After discussion, **Mr. Reyna moved, Dr. Koo seconded, and the motion passed to approve the December 4, 2009 board meeting minutes.**

Agenda item #18, Committee reports and the consideration and approval of minutes and action items of committees meeting during the board meeting.

Ms. Chapman gave a Discipline and Ethics Committee report. **Ms. Chapman moved, Dr. Koo seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Discipline and Ethics Committee minutes and action items.**

Ms. Jones gave a Licensure Committee report. **Ms. Jones moved, Dr. Koo seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Licensure Committee minutes and action items.**

Agenda item #19, Adjourn. There being no further agenda items the meeting adjourned at 11:38 a.m.