

TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT EXAMINERS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 25, 2002

The meeting was called to order at 12:45 p.m. by Chairman, G. Al Bendeck, PA-C. Board members present were Pamela W. Baker; Michael H. Belgard, PA-C; G. Al Bendeck, PA-C; Stephen D. Benold, M.D.; Dwight M. Deter, PA-C; and Timothy Webb. Staff members present were Donald W. Patrick, M.D., J.D., Executive Director; Michele Shackelford, General Counsel; Jennifer Soffer, Assistant General Counsel; and various other staff.

Agenda item #2, regarding executive session, was next. It was announced that the executive session was not necessary.

Agenda item #4, regarding proposed amendments to rule 185.16, was next. Ms. Shackelford explained the new draft of the proposal to the board members. Following discussion, **Dr. Benold moved, Mr. Deter seconded, and the motion passed to recommend to the Medical Board that the proposed amendments to rule 185.16 be published for public comment.**

Agenda item #5, regarding a report relating to proposed rule changes to §193.6, was next. Ms. Shackelford and Ms. Soffer reported on the comments that were received following publication of the proposed rule change relating to delegation of prescriptive authority at alternate sites and stated that the comments had been reviewed by the Long Range Planning Committee. Based on the comments, staff recommended incorporating additional amendments to the rule. Dr. Patrick and Ms. Shackelford explained that this was an informational item only and that the rule would be considered by the Medical Board at its meeting in February.

Agenda item #6, regarding rehabilitation orders, was considered. Mr. Deter moved, Mr. Webb seconded, and the motion passed to go into executive session at 12:55 p.m. for consideration of possible rehabilitation orders under the authority of the Open Meetings Act, GOVERNMENT CODE, §551.071; and the Medical Practice Act, TEXAS OCCUPATIONS CODE ANNOTATED, §152.009; and the Physician Assistant Licensing Act, TEXAS OCCUPATIONS CODE ANNOTATED, §§204.208, 204.254, 204.305, and 204.306; and Attorney General's Opinion No. H-484. Open session resumed at 1:10 p.m. and it was announced that no action was taken during executive session. A certified agenda was

made. **Mr. Deter moved, Ms. Baker seconded, and the motion passed to defer action on rehabilitation order #9 until the next meeting.**

Agenda item #7, regarding agreed board orders, was next. It was announced that there were no orders to be considered.

Agenda item #8, regarding modification request/termination request orders, was next. Ms. Shackelford presented the order on Ernest M. Obie. **Ms. Baker moved, Mr. Webb seconded, and the motion passed to approve the order on Ernest M. Obie.** The order on Noah J. Smith was discussed. **Mr. Deter moved, Ms. Baker seconded, and the motion passed to approve the order on Noah J. Smith.** The order on Frank A. Daniels was discussed. **Dr. Benold moved, Mr. Deter seconded, and the motion passed to approve the order on Frank A. Daniels.** The order on Rocky D. Dial was discussed. **Mr. Belgard moved, Mr. Deter seconded, and the motion passed to approve the order on Rocky D. Dial.**

It was announced that there were no orders to be considered for agenda items #9-12.

Agenda item #13, regarding a report on temporary suspension/automatic orders/automatic actions, was next. This was an informational item regarding Randall G. Webb.

Agenda item #14, regarding the November 30, 2001 full board meeting minutes, was next. **Mr. Deter moved, Ms. Baker seconded, and the motion passed to approve the minutes.**

Agenda item #15, regarding the November 30, 2001 Licensure Committee minutes, was next. **Mr. Deter moved, Ms. Baker seconded, and the motion passed to approve the minutes.**

Agenda item #16, regarding the November 30, 2001 Long Range Planning Committee minutes, was next. **Mr. Deter moved, Ms. Baker seconded, and the motion passed to approve the minutes.**

Agenda item #17, regarding the November 21, 2001 Disciplinary Panel minutes, was next. **Dr. Benold moved, Mr. Belgard seconded, and the motion passed to approve the minutes.**

Agenda item #18, regarding a report from the Long Range Planning Committee, was next. **Mr. Bendeck gave a report and stated that there were no action items to be considered.**

Agenda item #19, a report from the Licensure Committee was next. Mr. Deter reported that the committee recommended 51 applicants for licensure; 1 applicant to be reviewed by the full board; and 3 temporary licenses. **Ms. Baker moved, Mr. Webb seconded, and the motion passed to approve the report and action items.**

Agenda item #3, regarding the Executive Director's report, was next. Dr. Patrick gave a brief Executive Director's report and discussed a letter that he had written to Representative Jim Pitts in response to the recent Dallas Morning News Articles.

Agenda item #20, regarding a report from the Disciplinary and Ethics Committee, was next. Mr. Belgard gave a report; there were no action items.

Agenda item #21, regarding appointment of Disciplinary Panels, was deferred until the next meeting.

There being no further business, **Mr. Belgard moved, Dr. Benold seconded, and the motion passed to adjourn the meeting at 1:42 p.m.**