

**TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT EXAMINERS
DISCIPLINARY AND ETHICS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 26, 2002**

The meeting was called to order at 10:32 a.m. by the Chairman, Michael H. Belgard, PA-C. Other committee members present were Ms. Margaret K. Bentley and Timothy Webb, J.D. Stephen D. Benold, M.D. was not in attendance at the meeting. Staff members present were Lloyd e. McRae, Chief of investigations; Jon Porter, JD, Chief of Compliance and various other staff.

Agenda item #2, the reporting of the January, February, and March, 2001 Enforcement Reports, was considered. This was an informational item only and no vote was necessary.

Agenda item #3, regarding a report on implementation of third party drug testing system. Mr. Porter presented the new drug testing procedure that has been implemented effective April 1, 2002 for licensees on probation. After discussion, there were no suggestions to the program as presented.

Agenda item #4, regarding system for review of probationers concerning probationers appearances, was considered. Ms. Bentley moved, Mr. Webb seconded, and the motion passed to go into executive session at 11:14 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 11:18 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, Ms. Bentley moved, Mr. Webb seconded, and the motion passed, to waive probation appearances for the probationers determined to be in full compliance.**

Agenda item #5, regarding executive session to review selected files and cases recommended for dismissal by Informal Settlement Conferences/Show Compliance Proceedings or staff review, was considered. Ms. Bentley, Mr. Webb seconded, and the motion passed to go into executive session at 11:20 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 12:15 p.m. and it was announced that no action was taken during executive session. A certified agenda of the executive session was made. **Ms. Bentley moved, Mr. Webb seconded, and the motion passed, to recommend the noted resolutions of the listed complaints (attached) to the Board minutes.**

There being no further business, **Ms. Bentley moved, Mr. Webb seconded, and the motion passed to adjourn the meeting at 12:17 p.m.**