

## TEXAS PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT BOARD BOARD MEETING July 8, 2011 Draft

The meeting was called to order at 10:59 a.m. by Presiding Officer, Margaret K. Bentley. Board members present were Anna Chapman; Teralea Jones, PA-C; Felix Koo, M.D.; Michael Mitchell, D.O., PA-C; Richard R. Rahr, Ed.D, PA-C; and Edward Zwanziger, PA-C. Staff members present were Mari Robinson, Executive Director; Linda Gage-White, M.D., Medical Director; Jaime Garanflo, Director of Customer Affairs; Jennifer Kaufman, Assistant General Counsel; and various other staff members.

Agenda item #2, Board Member report. Ms. Bentley presented a Board Resolution in honor of board member Ron Bryce, M.D., thanking him for his dedication and service to the board.

## Agenda item #3, Executive Directors report.

**Comptroller Database**. Ms. Robinson notified the board that the Comptrollers Office had a breach of its database files. The Comptroller is contacting persons by letter, whose information may have been exposed. Additional information is available on the Comptrollers website.

Legislative Update. Ms. Robinson presented an update on proposed key legislation related to the board.

**Mediation guidelines**. Ms. Robinson reviewed the Texas Medical Board guidelines for mediations.

Agenda item #4, Budget update. Ms. Robinson presented an updated budget of the General Revenue and General Revenue Dedicated (Combined) FY2011 through May 31, 2011.

Agenda item #5, Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding remedial training for Physician Assistants. After discussion, the board directed staff to research possible remedial training programs available for physician assistants and confirm if KStar is interested in expanding its program to include physician assistants.

Agenda item #6, Report on licensure from an unaccredited physician assistant program. Ms. Garanflo presented a report of an evaluating physician response provided by a licensee from an unaccredited physician assistant program in response to the boards request at the February 18, 2011 board meeting.

There were no items for Agenda item #7.

Agenda item #8, Consideration and Approval of Agreed Board Orders. After discussion, Mr. Rahr moved, Dr. Koo seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Agreed Board Orders for Thomas R. Cook, P.A.; Miguel A. Gonzalez, P.A.; James M. Govoni, P.A.; John E. Nolen, P.A.; Lawrence Simmons, PA; Michael Valdez, P.A.; and Tammy Toombs, P.A., as written.

Agenda item #9, Consideration and Approval of Modification Request/Termination Request Orders. After discussion, Mr. Zwanziger moved, Mr. Rahr seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Termination Granted Order for Michael Fichter, P.A., as written.

There were no items for Agenda items #10-11.

Agenda item #12, Consideration and Approval of Mediated Settlement Agreement Orders. Dr. Koo moved, Mr. Rahr seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Mediated Settlement Agreement Order for David Fortner, P.A., as written.

There were not items for Agenda items #13-20.

Agenda item #21, Consideration and Approval of the February 18, 2011 Board Meeting Minutes and action items. After discussion, Mr. Rahr moved, Dr. Koo seconded, and the motion passed to approve the February 18, 2011 board meeting minutes.

Agenda item #22, 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. Mitchell 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, Mr. Rahr seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Licensure minutes and action items. Agenda item #23, Adjourn. There being no further agenda items the meeting, adjourned at 11:53 a.m.