



Texas Medical Board

MEDICAL PHYSICISTS LICENSURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

JANUARY 11, 2016

The meeting was called to order January 11, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. by the Chair, Charles W. Beasley, Ph. D. Committee members present were: Dianna D. Cody, PhD; Douglas A. Johnson; Nikolaos Papanikolaou, PhD; Alvin L. Schlichtemeier M.D.; and Kiran Shah. Gregory P. Swanson, M.D was not present. Board staff present were Mari Robinson, J.D., Executive Director; Robert Bredt, M.D., Medical Director; General Counsel; Rob Blech, Assistant General Counsel; and various other staff.

Agenda item #2, Committee Member Report. Dr. Beasley reported the Department of State Health Services' Texas Radiation Advisory Board (TRAB) invited him to attend the February 5, 2016 TRAB meeting. Dr. Beasley will provide an update on the transition of the Medical Physicist Board to the current committee under TMB. Ms. Robinson offered a staff member to also attend to answer any potential questions.

Agenda item #3 Executive Director Report. Ms. Robinson reviewed the enforcement statistics for the medical physicists and stated no complaints had been received. She reported the status of medical physicist applications. Ms. Robinson reported notice letters for renewals were sent and the online system is up working. Ms. Robinson reminded the committee members they may be contacted during Sunset Review that begins in April.

Agenda item #4 Medical Director Report. After Dr. Bredt gave a brief introductory statement, he reported one medical physicist licensee is serving as an Expert Panelist. He requested the members send him referrals for additional medical physicist Expert Panelists.

Agenda item #5, Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding proposed amendments and rule review to 22 T.A.C. Chapter 160, §§160.1- 160.30. Ms. Robinson reviewed the proposed amendments and gave a brief summary. **Dr. Schlichtemeier moved, Mr. Shah seconded, and the motion passed to approve the proposed amendments and rule review to 22 T.A.C. Chapter 160, §§160.1-160.30, excluding §160.6, with the following revisions: pages 2 and 3, strike the words "electron or any"; page 13, add an "s" to licensee; page 15, correct the acronym SNMMI; page 24, renumber the remaining items; and delete §160.6 from the rule.** After discussion, **Dr. Schlichtemeier moved, Dr. Papanikolaou seconded and the motion passed to approve to leave §160.6 stricken from the rule. Mr. Johnson abstained.**

Agenda item #6, Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding testing.

The committee discussed the possibility of an alternate exam path for licensure. Ms. Robinson gave a brief summary of the process for a state exam to be implemented that included validation with the experts and certifications, and Legislative approval to provide appropriations.

Agenda item #7, Consideration and approval of the December 09, 2015 Medical Physicist Licensure Advisory Committee meeting minutes. Dr. Schlichtemeier moved, Mr. Johnson seconded, and the motion passed to approve the December 9, 2015 Medical Physicists Licensure Advisory Committee minutes and action items.

Agenda item #8, Adjourn. There being no additional agenda items, the meeting adjourned at 11:36 a.m.