



Texas Board of Medical Radiologic Technology
BOARD MEETING
November 10, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 11:51 a.m. by Anthony “Tony” Jaso, Presiding Officer. Board members Faraz A. Khan, M.D., Assistant Presiding Officer; Jennifer C. Flanagan, MRT, Secretary; Nicholas M. Beckman, M.D.; Regan R. Landreth; Melanie “Shannon” Lutz, MRT; Scott A. Morren, MRT, and Carol Waddell, MRT, were present. Staff members present were Scott Freshour, Interim Executive Director and General Counsel; Megan Goode, Governmental Affairs and Communication Manager; Monique Johnston, Licensure Manager; Sonja Aurelius, Enforcement Support Manager, and various other staff.

There were no items for Agenda item #2.

Agenda item #3, Executive Director Report.

Budget Update. Ms. Goode presented and reviewed the budget.

Legislative Update. Ms. Goode presented a legislative update to the Board.

Audit Update. Ms. Goode reported on the most recent audit, which was adopted by the Medical Board.

There were no items for Agenda item #4.

Agenda item #5, Consideration and possible action regarding pending litigation. Mr. Freshour gave an overview of pending litigation of interest involving the Medical Board.

Agenda item #6, Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding guidelines to process licensees with a criminal history. Mr. Freshour presented recommended revisions to the guidelines to process licensees with a criminal history. After discussion, **Dr. Khan moved, Mr. Morren seconded and the motion passed to approve recommendations as written and to revise guidelines as set out to provide improved uniformity and consistency. Board directed staff to apply the criteria to the cases that are currently scheduled for ISCs.**

Agenda item #7, at 10:45 a.m., Consideration and approval of Determinations of Default.

a.) Ahmed M. Abdela, MRT, SOAH #503-17-4231.MRT. Christopher Palazola, Litigation manager, was present and gave a presentation. Ahmed M. Abdela, MRT was not present. No one was present to represent Mr. Abdela. After discussion, **Dr. Khan moved, Ms. Flanagan seconded, and the motion passed to adopt the Determination of Default Order for revocation of the general certificate of Ahmed M. Abdela, MRT.**

b.) Kenny Drennan, NCT, SOAH #503-17-3445.NCT. Christopher Palazola, Litigation manager, was present and gave a presentation. Kenny Drennan, NCT was not present. No one was present to represent Mr. Drennan. After discussion, **Ms. Waddell moved, Ms. Lutz seconded, and the motion passed to adopt the Determination of Default Order for revocation of Mr. Drennan's registration as an NCT.**

c.) Steven R. Marquez, MRT, SOAH #503-17-4730.MRT. Christopher Palazola, Litigation manager, was present and gave a presentation. Steven R. Marquez, MRT, was not present. No one was present to represent Mr. Marquez. After discussion, **Ms. Flanagan moved, Dr. Khan seconded, and the motion passed to adopt the Determination of Default Order for revocation of the general certificate for Steven R. Marquez, MRT.**

There were no items for Agenda item #8-9

Agenda item #10, Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding Agreed Orders. After consideration, **Mr. Morren moved, Ms. Waddell seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Agreed Orders en masse for: Christopher A. Brown, MRT; Gustavo Garcia, MRT; Joshua B. Kelley, MRT; Mark Phillips, MRT; Donny J. Wilson, MRT and Frank Moreles, NCT.**

Agenda item #11, Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding Remedial Plans. After consideration, **Ms. Waddell moved, Ms. Lutz seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Remedial Plan for: Patricia E. Rodriguez, MRT.**

Agenda item #12, Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding Mediated Settlement Orders. After consideration, **Dr. Khan moved, Mr. Morren seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Mediated Settlement Order for: Jimmy B. Johnson, MRT.**

There were no items for Agenda item #13

Agenda item #14, Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 T.A.C. Chapter 194. Medical Radiologic Technology.

§194.3, Meetings and Committees

§194.5, Applicability of Chapter; Exemptions

§194.6, Procedural Rules and Minimum Eligibility Requirements for Applicants for a Certificate or Placement on the Board's Non-Certified Technician General Registry

§194.7, Biennial Renewal of Certificate or Placement on the Board's General Registry for Non-Certified Technicians Generally

§194.14, Alternate Training Requirements for Podiatric Medical Assistants

§194.16, Hardship Exemptions

§194.17, Dangerous or Hazardous Procedures

Ms. Tuthill presented the proposed amendments to §194.3, Meetings and Committees. After discussion, **Dr. Beckman moved, Dr. Khan seconded, and the motion passed to approve publication in the Texas Register for public comment the proposed amendments as written.**

Ms. Tuthill presented the proposed amendments to §194.5, Applicability of Chapter; Exemptions. After discussion, **Mr. Morren moved, Ms. Flanagan seconded, and the motion passed to approve publication in the Texas Register for public comment the proposed amendments as written.**

Ms. Tuthill presented the proposed amendments to §194.6, Procedural Rules and Minimum Eligibility Requirements for Applicants for a Certificate or Placement on the Board's Non-Certified Technician General Registry. After discussion, **Ms. Lutz moved, Dr. Beckman seconded, and the motion passed to approve publication in the Texas Register for public comment the proposed amendments as written.**

Ms. Tuthill presented the proposed amendments to §194.7, Biennial Renewal of Certificate or Placement on the Board's General Registry for Non-Certified Technicians Generally. After discussion, **Ms. Waddell moved, Mr. Morren seconded, and the motion passed to approve publication in the Texas Register for public comment the proposed amendments as written.**

Ms. Tuthill presented the proposed repeal of §194.14, Alternate Training Requirements for Podiatric Medical Assistants. After discussion, **Ms. Waddell moved, Dr. Khan seconded, and the motion passed to approve publication in the Texas Register for public comment the proposed repeal.**

Ms. Tuthill presented the proposed amendments to §194.16, Hardship Exemptions. After discussion, **Dr. Beckman moved, Ms. Lutz seconded, and the motion passed to approve publication in the Texas Register for public comment the proposed amendments as written with one change striking language providing for a hardship exemption for the use of certain hand-held fluoroscopes.**

Ms. Tuthill presented proposed amendments to 22 T.A.C. §194.17, Dangerous or Hazardous Procedures. After discussion, **Ms. Landreth moved, Ms. Flanagan seconded, and the motion passed to approve publication in the Texas Register for public comment the proposed amendments as written.**

There were no items for Agenda item #15.

Agenda item #16, Open Forum for Public Comments. No one signed in and no one presented public comments.

Agenda item #17, Consideration and Approval of the July 27, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes. Mr. Beckman moved, Ms. Waddell seconded, and the motion passed to approve the July 27, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes and action items.

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

Ms. Flanagan gave a report of the Licensure Committee. **Mr. Beckman moved, Ms. Waddell seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Licensure Committee Meeting Minutes and Action Items.**

Mr. Morren gave a report of Discipline and Ethics Committee. **Mr. Morren moved, Ms. Landreth seconded, and the motion passed to approve the Discipline and Ethics Committee Meeting Minutes and Action Items.**

Agenda item #19, Adjourn. There being no further agenda items, the meeting adjourned at 1:14p.m.