

**Vermont Board of Medical Practice  
Minutes of the July 2, 2008 Meeting  
Gifford Medical Center, Randolph, Vermont**

**“Approved August 6, 2008”**

**1. Call to Order; Call the Roll; Acknowledge Guests**

Dr. Clauss, Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m.

**Members Present:**

David W. Clauss, MD; Patricia A. King, MD, PhD; Margaret F. Martin; John J. Murray, MD; John Webber, Esq; Sharon L. Nicol; William H. Stouch, MD; Robert R. Rinaldi, DPM; Russell P. Davignon, M.D.; Janice E. Ryan, RSM; James D. Cahill, MD; William K. Hoser, PA-C; Toby Sadkin, MD; Peter Thomashow, MD;

**Others in Attendance:**

Philip Ciotti, Investigator; Roberta Downes, Licensing Administrator; Paula Nenner, Investigator; Margaret Vincent, Assistant Attorney General; Marjorie Power, Legal Counsel and Presiding Officer

**2. Approval of the Minutes of the June 4th and 18th, 2008 Board Meetings:**

Dr. Thomashow made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 4, 2008 Board meeting. Dr. Murray seconded the motion. The motion passed, opposed: none; abstained: none.

Ms. Martin made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 18, 2008 Board meeting. Dr. Cahill seconded the motion. The motion passed, opposed: none; abstained: none.

**3. Board Matters (Dr. Clauss)**

Dr. Clauss acknowledged that both Mr. Arisman and Mr. Wargo were both out today due to illness.

Dr. Clauss also informed the Board Mr. Wargo had sent a letter to the Commissioner regarding the Vermont Medical Examiner Dr. Shapiro be allowed to have access to the Vermont Prescription Monitoring System.

Mr. Ciotti added that he had spoken with Dr. Shapiro and he thanked the Board for their support. Dr. Shapiro's respect for the Board has grown.

#### **4. Administrative Update (Mr. Wargo)**

Ms. Downes passed out the following information on behalf of Mr. Wargo:

- Responsible Opioid Prescribing: A Physician's Guide
- 26 V.S.A § 378 Limited Temporary Licenses - for Podiatrists
- Information regarding a DocSite demo scheduled for July 7, 2008.

(See attachments)

#### **5. Presentation of Applications:**

Applications for physician licensure and physician assistant certification were presented and acted upon as detailed in Appendix A.

#### **6. Recess; Convene Hearing (Ms. Power):**

Board Recessed at 12:30 p.m.

Ms. Power convened a hearing to consider adjudicative matters before the Board.

#### **In re: Roger J. Giroux, M.D., Licensing Matter – Amendment to Stipulation & Agreement**

Brought forth by and presented by Ms. Vincent.

Dr. King made a motion to approve the Amendment to Stipulation and Agreement. Ms. Nicol seconded the motion. The motion passed, opposed: none; abstained: South Committee (Dr. Cahill, Mr. Hoser, Ms. Martin, Dr. Rinaldi and Mr. Webber).

#### **7. Executive Session to Discuss Investigative Matters**

Mr. Webber made a motion at 12:37 p.m. to go into Executive Session to discuss confidential matters related to investigations. Dr. Murray seconded the motion. The motion passed, opposed: none; abstained: none.

#### **8. Open Session**

Return to open session: 2:07 p.m.

**Dr. Reich, South Investigative Committee, presented the following cases for closure:**

MPS 22-0208

MPS 26-0208

MPS 176-1207

Dr. King made a motion to close the cases presented. Dr. Davignon seconded the motion. The motion passed, opposed: none; abstained: South Committee (Dr. Cahill, Mr. Hoser, Ms. Martin, Dr. Rinaldi and Mr. Webber).

**Dr. Murray, Central Investigative Committee, presented the following cases for closure:**

MPC 48-0408

MPC 49-0408

MPC 31-0208

MPC 30-0208

MPC 58-0508

MPC 51-0408

MPC 56-0508

Mr. Hoser made a motion to close the cases presented. Ms. Martin seconded the motion. The motion passed, opposed: none; abstained: Central Committee (Dr. Murray, Dr. Clauss, Dr. Davignon, and Dr. Thomashow).

**Dr. King, North Investigative Committee, presented the following cases for closure:**

MPN 14-0208

MPN 34-0308

MPN 6-0108

Dr. Cahill made a motion to close the cases presented. Dr. Thomashow seconded the motion. The motion passed, opposed: none; abstained: North Committee (Dr. King, Ms. Nicol, Dr. Sadkin, Dr. Stouch and Sr. Ryan).

**9. Any Other Business:**

None

**10. Next meetings:**

Upcoming meetings:

- **August 6, 2008**, Licensing Committee meeting, 10:30 a.m. Gifford Medical Center, Randolph
- **August 6, 2008**, Board meeting, 12:00 p.m. Gifford Medical Center, Randolph
- **August 14, 2008**, North Investigative Committee Meeting, 12 p.m., Water Supply Conference Room #039, Old Pantry Building, State office Complex, Waterbury

- **August 8, 2008**, Central Investigative Committee Meeting, 12 p.m., 12 Starr Farm Road, Burlington
- **August 20, 2008**, Board meeting on pending applications, 1:10 p.m., teleconference meeting, with public access at the Board offices, 101 Cherry Street, Burlington
- **August 20, 2008**, South Investigative Committee Meeting, 1:20 p.m., Asa Bloomer Building, 88 Merchants Row, Rutland

## 11. Adjournment

Dr. Cahill made a motion to adjourn. Dr. Murray seconded the motion. The vote was all in favor, opposed: none, abstained: none.

Meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Roberta A. Downes, Licensing Administrator

## Attachments:

Appendix A  
Handouts:

- Responsible Opioid Prescribing: A Physician's Guide
- Letter to Physicians regarding a copy of Dr. Scott Fishman's *Responsible Opioid Prescribing*
- 26 V.S.A § 378 Limited Temporary Licenses
- DocSite® for Population and Chronic Disease Management
- Information regarding a DocSite demo

## Appendix A

**Presentation of Applications** (Recommendations were in the form of motions by the members making the reports)

**Dr. Cahill reported on an interview conducted with  
Graham Moore, MD**

Recommended by Dr. Cahill for physician licensure  
Seconded by Dr. Thomashow, passed, opposed: none, abstained: none

**Dr. Clauss reported on an interview conducted with  
Havaleh Gagne, MD  
Gordon Gieg, MD**

Recommended by Dr. Clauss for physician licensure  
Seconded by Mr. Webber, passed, opposed: none, abstained: none

**Dr. Clauss moved for the issuance of limited temporary licenses for  
Gustavo Carbone, MD  
Julia Chen, MD  
Chantal Hewitson, MD  
Aaron Klein, MD  
Stefan Lischke, MD  
Joanna Schwartz, MD  
Ryan Walsh, MD**

Seconded by Dr. Murray, passed, opposed: none, abstained: none

**Dr. Davignon reported on an interview conducted with  
Lisa Cohen, MD  
Sherri DeHaas, MD  
Lisa Lerner, MD  
Albert Su, MD**

Recommended by Dr. Davignon for physician licensure  
Seconded by Dr. Murray, passed, opposed: none, abstained: none

**Mr. Hoser reported on an interview conducted with**

Ellen Bando, PA-C  
Jeremy Orr, PA-C  
Howard Ritz, PA-C  
Regina Springer, PA-C

Recommended by Mr. Hoser for physician assistant certification  
Seconded by Dr. Cahill, passed, opposed: none, abstained: none

**Dr. Rinaldi reported on an interview conducted with**

Tien Burns, MD  
Amy Gjerde, MD

Recommended by Dr. Rinaldi for physician licensure  
Seconded by Dr. Murray, passed, opposed: none, abstained: none

**Dr. Stouch reported on an interview conducted with**

Douglas Greenfield, MD

Recommended by Dr. Stouch for physician licensure  
Seconded by Dr. Cahill passed, opposed: none, abstained: none

**Dr. Thomshow reported on an interview conducted with**

Kirsten Redborg, MD

Recommended by Dr. Thomashow for physician licensure  
Seconded by Dr. Cahill, passed, opposed: none, abstained: none