Vermont Board of Medical Practice
Minutes of the October 3, 2012 Board Meeting
Gifford Medical Center, Randolph, VT

Approved

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

   Patricia King, MD, PhD, Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:23.

   Members Present:
   William K. Hoser, PA-C ; Toby Sadkin, MD; Robert Rinaldi, DPM; Janice Gallant, MD; Joshua Plavin, MD; Michael Drew, MD; Carol A. Diamond; Robert G. Hayward, MD; Sarah McClain; David A. Jenkins.

   Others in Attendance:
   David Herlihy, Executive Director; Paula Nenninger, Investigator; Philip Ciotti, Investigator; Karen LaFond, Licensing Administrator; Margaret Vincent, AAG; Robert McDougal, AAG; Robert Simpson, Esq, Presiding Officer.

2. **Public Comment:**

   None

3. **Approval of Minutes of the September 5, 2012 and September 19, 2012 Board Meetings:**

   Dr. Drew moved to accept the minutes of the September 5, 2012 meeting. Ms. Diamond seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; recused: none; abstained: none.

   Ms. McClain moved to accept the minutes of the September 19, 2012 meeting. Mr. Hoser seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; recused: none; abstained: none.

4. **Board Issues (Dr. King):**

   None

5. **Administrative Update (Mr. Herlihy):**

   Mr. Herlihy advised that Ms. Young will be resigning from the Board effective as soon as she is replaced. Members are not officially removed until replaced, so she will attempt to help by participating by telephone if needed and she is able to. He also stated that once a replacement is found for Ms. Illuzzi, Ms. Diamond will move from the North Committee to the Central Committee.

Mr. Herlihy informed the members that Charges have been filed regarding Michael Schorsch, MD – MPN 96-0910 so members may be needed to serve on a hearing panel if the matter goes to a full hearing.

Mr. Herlihy stated that he has been fielding questions from physicians about the Continuing Medical Education requirements for the next licensing cycle, and the next challenge will be creating the tracking system within CAVU. He informed them that regarding the CAVU system generally, there have been several glitches in the first few weeks of the renewal period and processing is slightly behind where it needs to be. Mr. Herlihy anticipates the issues will get resolved and Tracy will get caught up very quickly.

Mr. Herlihy reminded the members about the CME course on Opioid Training 10/20/2012 at the Equinox Hotel in Manchester, VT. Any members interested in attending may do so.

Finally, Mr. Herlihy provided a brief update on the web portal project, HSIN, which is targeted to launch early 2013. Ms. LaFond and Mr. Herlihy are in the process of exploring the iPad costs and options and will keep the members informed.

6. **Presentation of Applications (12:30 p.m. – 12:45p.m.):**

Applications for physician licensure and physician assistant certification were presented and acted upon as detailed in Appendix A, incorporated by reference into these minutes.

Licensing Issue: Dr. Drew, Chair of the Licensing Committee, presented the committee's approval of a request from Dr. Tracy Davis to withdraw his application. Dr. Drew requested that the full board vote on this decision.

Dr. Hayward made a motion to approve the request. Mr. Hoser seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; recused: none; abstained: none.

7. **Presentation to the Board (12:45p.m. – 1:45 p.m.):**

None

8. **Executive Session to Discuss:**
   a. **Investigative cases recommended for closure**
   b. **Other matters that are confidential by law, if any (Executive Session was moved up in order so that the Hearing agenda items could take place at the scheduled time. The meeting went into Executive Session, the Executive Session was suspended for the Hearing, Item 9, and then the Board went back into Executive Session, all at the times indicated below.).**

Ms. McClain made a motion at 12:38 p.m. to go into Executive Session to discuss confidential matters related to investigations. Dr. Drew seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; recused: none; abstained: none.

Dr. Gallant made a motion at 1:11 to return to Open Session. Mr. Jenkins seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; recused: none; abstained: none.

9. **Recess; Convene Hearing to discuss any stipulations or disciplinary matters that are before the Board (1:45 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.): (Mr. Simpson)**

   - **In re: John E. Connolly, MD – MPS 68-0611 – Stipulation and Consent Order**

     Dr. Gallant made a motion to accept the Stipulation and Consent Order. Mr. Jenkins seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; recused: none; abstained: none.

   - **In re: Alban J. Coghlan, MD – MPC 112-0806 – Stipulation of the Parties**

     Mr. Hoser made a motion to accept the Stipulation of the Parties as amended per the discussion. Dr. King seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; recused: none; abstained: none

10. **Executive Session to Discuss:**
    a. **Investigative cases recommended for closure**
    b. **Other matters that are confidential by law, if any**

Dr. Gallant made a motion at 1:47 p.m. to return to Executive Session to discuss confidential matters related to investigations. Dr. Plavin seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; recused: none; abstained: none.

11. **Return to Open Session; Board Actions on Matters Discussed in Executive Session:**

Dr. Gallant made a motion at 2:51 to return to Open Session. Mr. Hoser seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; recused: none; abstained: none.

12. **Board Actions on Committee Recommendations with Regard to any Non-confidential Matters:**

Dr. Reich, South Investigative Committee, asked to close:

MPS 86-0612 – Letter #1; Recuse: Mr. Jenkins
MPS 102-0812 – Letter #1
MPS 29-0212 – Letter #1; Recuse: Dr. Gallant
MPS 75-0512 – Letter #1; Recuse: Dr. Gallant and Dr. Sadkin

Dr. Gallant made a motion to close the cases presented. Ms. Diamond seconded the motion. The motion passed, opposed: none; abstained: none; recused: 4.

Hon. Jenkins, Central Investigative Committee, asked to close:

MPC 23-0212 – Special Letter #1
MPC 44-0312 – Special Letter #1/Admin
MPC 34-0410 – Special Letter #3
MPC 52-0312 – Special Letter #1

Dr. Plavin made a motion to close the cases presented. Mr. Hoser seconded the motion. The motion passed, opposed: none; abstained: none; recused: none.

Dr. King, North Investigative Committee, asked to close:

MPN 87-0612 – Letter #1
MPN 59-0412 – Special Letter #1; Recuse: Dr. Plavin and Dr. Rinaldi
MPN 100-0812 – Letter #1
MPN 69-0611 – Special Letter #3; Opposed: Dr. Plavin
MPN 40-0412 – Letter #1

Dr. Drew made a motion to close the cases presented. Dr. Hayward seconded the motion. The motion passed, opposed: 1; abstained: none: recused: 2.

13. Other Business:

None

14. Upcoming Board meetings, committee meetings, hearings, etc.: ***(Locations are subject to change, you will be notified if a changes takes place.)***

- **October 11, 2012, North Investigative Committee Meeting, 12 p.m., Vermont Department of Health, 108 Cherry Street, 3rd Floor, Conference Room 2C, Burlington, VT**

- **October 12, 2012, Central Investigative Committee Meeting, 9 a.m., Liquor Control Conference Room, Basement Floor, 13 Green Mountain Drive, Montpelier, VT**

- **October 17, 2012, Board meeting on pending applications, 12:10 p.m., Board of Medical Practice office, 108 Cherry Street, 2nd, Floor Burlington, VT (and via telephone)**

- **October 17, 2012, South Investigative Committee Meeting, 12:00 p.m., Asa Bloomer State Office Building, 4th Floor, Room #492, Rutland, VT**

- **November 7, 2012, Licensing Committee Meeting, 10:30 a.m., Gifford Medical Center, Red Clover Conference Room, Randolph**

- **November 7, 2012, Board Meeting, 12 p.m., Gifford Medical Center, Red Clover Conference Room, Randolph**

15. Adjournment:

Dr. Hayward made a motion to adjourn. Dr. Gallant seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; recused: none; abstained: none.

Meeting adjourned at 2:57 p.m.

Attachments: Appendix A

Respectfully submitted,

Karen LaFond
Licensing Administrator

Appendix A

Presentation of Applications

Dr. King moved for the issuance of physician licenses and physician assistant licenses for:

Judith Berger, PA-C
Cynthia Cushman, MD
Sarah Liegl, PA-C
Rinku Patel, MD
Krystian Bigosinski, MD
Brent Follweiler, MD
Stephanie Mann, MD
Wieslaw Piller, MD
Anna Brena, MD
James Hsu, MD
Bruce Morgan, DPM

Recommended by Mr. Jenkins for licensure. Seconded by Dr. Rinaldi. The motion passed; opposed: none; recused: none; abstained.

Dr. King moved for the issuance of Limited Temporary Physician licenses for:

Patompong Ungprasert, MD-LTL

Recommended by Dr. Plavin for physician licensure. Seconded by Dr. Hayward, passed, opposed: none; recused: none; abstained: none.