

MINUTES

**UTAH
RESPIRATORY CARE LICENSING
BOARD MEETING**

September 20, 2011

**Room 402 – 4th Floor – 9:00 A.M.
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111**

CONVENED: a.m. 9:00

ADJOURNED: 10:20 a.m.

Bureau Manager:

Clyde Ormond

Board Secretary:

Yvonne King

Board Members Present:

Jack Fried, Chairperson
Jennifer G. Brinton, MD
Beverly J. Lambdin
Michelle Nylander
Anita Austin

DOPL Staff Present:

Kent Barnes, Compliance Manager

Guests:

Christina Wiese, Probationer
Lorin Howard, Probationer

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Approval of the June 28, 2011 Board Meeting Minutes

Ms. Lambdin, seconded by Ms. Austin, made a motion approve the June 28, 2011 Board meeting minutes as written. The motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS:

9:05 a.m. Barnes Kent, Compliance

Mr. Barnes reviewed the compliance reports for Ms. Wiese and Mr. Howard. Mr. Barnes noted that they are both in compliance.

Ms. Wiese

Mr. Barnes noted that Ms. Wiese did not submit employee reports, but she was not working. Mr. Barnes has since provided Ms. Wiese with the proper forms. Mr. Barnes also noted that documentation from Nebraska for probation was completed. Mr. Barnes stated that the Division had changed drug companies to Affinity which provides better information. Mr. Barnes indicated that Ms. Wiese has been checking in everyday on her drug

screens and is in compliance with her Memorandum. Mr. Barnes recommended that Ms. Weise change from monthly to quarterly reporting.

Lorin Howard

Mr. Barnes noted that Mr. Howard's monthly reports are current and that he is in compliance with his Memorandum. Mr. Barnes recommended that Mr. Howard change from monthly to quarterly reporting.

9:15 a.m. Christina Wiese

Ms. Wiese appeared before the Board for her scheduled Appointment. Ms. Nylander performed the interview. Ms. Wiese updated the Board on how she was doing and stated she needed a bilateral injection. Ms. Wiese also stated she had an upcoming interview with the Veterans Administration Hospital. The Board reminded Ms. Wiese to ask the V.A. if they have made an inquiry to the National Data Bank. The Board also stated that the V.A. may not hire someone who is on probation and to consider other job offers.

Ms. Wiese stated that she was concerned on time not being counted towards her probation due to the fact that she isn't working because she must still call in for drug testing, fill out monthly reports and appear before the Board at each scheduled meeting.

The Board indicated that if Ms. Wiese is not working the Board would allow her to change from monthly to quarterly reporting but once she starts working she would be required to resume to monthly reporting.

Mr. Barnes stated he would print some self assessment forms before Ms. Wiese leaves. Ms. Weise asked if the therapy that is required on her Memorandum be suspended due to the fact that she is not working and is not insured. Mr. Barnes stated if Ms. Wiese would obtain a recommendation from the therapist the Division may make some provisions.

9:30 Lorin Howard

Mr. Howard appeared before the Board for his scheduled appointment. Ms. Nylander conducted the interview. It appeared that all employer reports were timely. Mr. Barnes stated that the final disposition from the courts would still need to be submitted.

Ms. Austin, seconded by Ms. Lambdin, made a motion to change Mr. Howard from monthly to quarterly reporting. The motion carried unanimously. This motion will take affect as soon as the court gives final disposition.

Ms. Austin, seconded by Ms. Lambdin, made a motion to see Mr. Howard every six months as long as Mr. Howard remains compliant. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION

Ted Thurn (ABSM Certification Exam)

Mr. Ormond reviewed the documentation for the American Board of Sleep Medicine (ABSM) Certification Exam before the interview proceeded. Mr. Thurn was requesting the Board formally confirm the exam with respect to the Polysomnographic Technologists. Mr. Ormond stated that he could not find a definition for Polysomnographic Technologists in statute or rule.

Mr. Thurn was contacted by phone for his interview. The Board asked Mr. Thurn if The American Board of Sleep Medicine, (ABSM) certification exam had an endorsement from the NBRC and/or other state Boards. Mr. Thurn stated that these endorsements are agenda items and were not approved at this time. Mr. Thurn stated that they are in the process of obtaining approval with the National Commission of Certifying Agencies (NCCA) and The Institute of Credentialing Excellence, (ICE).

It was determined that before the Board can make a decision, ABSM would need to have its certification exam validated by an accredited agency.

Mr. Ormond suggested responding with a letter stating that they will make a determination once NCCA or ICE makes their determination.

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR: December 20, 2011

ADJOURN: 10:20 a.m.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

December 20, 2011 (ss) Anita Austin
Date Approved Chairperson, Utah Respiratory Care Licensing Board

December 20, 2011 (ss) Clyde Ormond
Date Approved Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational & Professional Licensing