

**MINUTES**

**UTAH  
RESPIRATORY CARE LICENSING  
BOARD MEETING**

**March 6, 2012,**

**Room 475 – 4<sup>th</sup> Floor – 9:00 A.M.  
Heber Wells Building  
Salt Lake City, UT 84111**

**CONVENED:** 9:00 a.m.

**ADJOURNED:** 10:28 a.m.

**Bureau Manager:**

Clyde Ormond

**Board Secretary:**

Yvonne King

**Board Members Present:**

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

**DOPL Staff Present:**

Debra Troxel, Compliance

**Guests:**

Christina Wiese, Probationer

**DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:**

Approval of the December 20, 2011 Board Meeting Minutes

Ms. Nylander, seconded by Ms. Austin, made a motion approve the December 20, 2011 Board meeting minutes as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

9:05 Compliance  
Debra Troxel

Ms. Troxel reviewed Ms. Wiese's probation progress. Ms. Troxel stated that Ms. Wiese is compliant with her Memorandum including all drug screens, prescriptions and therapist reports. Ms. Troxel noted that Ms. Wiese has still not found a job in the profession.

Christina Wiese

Ms. Wiese appeared before the Board for her scheduled appointment. Ms. Austin performed the interview.

The Board inquired whether Ms. Wiese would be using the same drug store in which Ms. Wiese responded that she would be using Walgreens. Ms. Wiese stated that

she did use an out-of-state drug store when she was vacationing.

Ms. Wiese stated that she has not found a job but has submitted applications on-line and has been looking at long term health facilities. Ms. Wiese also noted that being without health insurance has been difficult.

Mr. Ormond asked if there were facilities that would use Ms. Wiese as a volunteer which would then keep her probation in force. The Board replied that they did not know of any volunteer positions.

Mr. Fried asked Ms. Wiese if she was still taking pain medication. Ms. Wiese replied that she was because of back pain. Ms. Wiese stated that the medication is a slow release and does not affect her work. Mr. Fried replied that with the pre-employment drug screening, she may have a problem explaining her medications.

Ms. Nylander suggested Ms. Wiese attend the Utah Society of Respiratory Care Conference because it would provide good networking contacts with vendors and possible employers. Mr. Ormond made a copy of the invitation for Ms. Wiese.

The Board noted that Ms. Wiese was compliant with her Memorandum. Ms. Troxel reminded Ms. Wiese to turn in both parts of her prescriptions which would include the date the prescription was written.

The Board would like to see Ms. Wiese at the next scheduled Board meeting June 19, 2012

Ms. Austin seconded by Ms. Nylander made a motion to amend the therapist recommendation from quarterly to 'as needed'. The motion carried unanimously.

Tyler Miller

Mr. Miller appeared before the Board for his scheduled appointment per phone interview. Mr. Miller is currently working as a sleep technologist. Because Mr. Miller is not currently working as a nurse, he is not obtaining any credit towards time counted on his current probation. In the previous Board meeting it was agreed that Mr. Miller needed to obtain the NBRC Certification before the Board would consider him for licensure. That certification was obtained. The Board stated that Mr. Miller should receive an actual certificate from NBRC and not just the letter indicating he is reinstated.

Mr. Fried asked Mr. Miller if there were any plans to change professions. Mr. Miller replied that he was not

considering it at this time.

The Board indicated that they would mirror what the Nursing Board has already accomplished with their Memorandum which included a five year probation, general supervision and drug testing. The Board would also consider his position as a Sleep Technologist as working in the field in respiratory care.

Mr. Miller noted that he could not obtain an expungement because the charge must be at least three years old from the date he was originally charged.

Ms. Austin seconded by Ms. Lambdin made a motion to approve Mr. Miller for Respiratory Therapist license on a probationary status for five years with quarterly reporting and random drug testing to correspond with the Nursing Board's Memorandum. The motion carried unanimously.

## **TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION**

National Commission of Certifying Agencies  
(NCCA) Accreditation

The Board reviewed the material from NCCA which included information and training on the Registered Polysomnographic Technologist (RPSGT), which is not a designated NBRC credential and the Board only recognizes the NBRC Credential. Mr. Fried also stated that the RPSGT should not be licensed as Respiratory Care Therapists but should obtain their own licensure. Mr. Fried's interpretation of the documentation submitted was that they would like to create another credential and receive a blessing from the Board.

Mr. Fried indicated that there are sleep labs opening up on every corner and tests should be properly administered and the staff competent.

The Board does not want to get involved but leave this up to the prospective associations. The Board also determined that NCCA will need to go to the legislature to receive licensure.

Board Nominations

Ms. Nylander inquired on how the associations could make a submission to the Board for the next available vacancy.

Mr. Ormond stated that the Division would be sending out forms for nominations to prospective associations sometime in July.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

The NBRC/CRT Exam report was reviewed with no action taken.

**NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR:** June 19, 2012

**ADJOURN:** 10:28

*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.*

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June 19, 2012 (ss) Jack fried  
Date Approved Chairperson, Utah Respiratory Care Licensing Board

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June 19, 2012 (ss) Clyde Ormond  
Date Approved Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational & Professional Licensing