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# BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE RESPIRATORY CARE ADVISORY COUNCIL

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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: RESPIRATORY CARE PRACTICE ADVISORY COUNCIL

OF THE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND

**DISCIPLINE** 

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, February 12, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard

Second Floor Conference Room B, Cannon Building

Dover, Delaware

MINUTES APPROVED: March 12, 2014

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Thomas Blackson, Council Member, Chairperson, Presiding
Juanita Bernard, Council Member, Vice Chairperson 3:11 p.m. – 4:13 p.m.
Joel M. Brown II, Council Member
Christina Cipolla, Council Member
Michael Eddy, Council Member
Joseph M. Parise, D.O., Physician Council Member
Teresa Q. Thompson, Council Member

#### **DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General Gayle MacAfee, Deputy Director David Mangler, Division Director

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Blackson called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. and introductions took place at this time for the benefit of the new Division Director, Mr. Mangler.

#### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The council reviewed the January 8, 2014 minutes for approval. Ms. Thompson moved, seconded by Mr. Eddy, to approve the minutes as written. Motion passed unanimously.

#### <u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>

## Continued Discussion on Licensure and Active NBRC Credentials

There was a lengthy discussion on the differences between CRT and RRT credentials and the need for individuals to renew their NBRC credentials in order to actively use those credentials. It was noted that on January 1, 2015, there would be a change in Ohio regarding licensure, in that newly licensed individuals must successfully complete the RRT examination to be eligible for licensure in Ohio. Mr. Blackson indicated that he would contact Ohio and the Delaware

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Society of Respiratory Care regarding how this may impact future workforce issues. This matter was tabled for discussion for the next meeting; however, no further discussion would be needed on the active NBRC credentials.

#### Tabled Application for Licensure as a Respiratory Care Practitioner from Joseph Toto

Ms. Thompson moved, seconded by Mr. Brown, to propose to deny the application from Joseph Toto pursuant to 24 <u>Del</u>. <u>C</u>. Section 1777(a)(3)(b). Motion passed unanimously.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# Review Applications for Licensure as a Respiratory Care Practitioner

Ms. Thompson moved, seconded by Dr. Parise, to add the following applicant to the agenda for review, Elizabeth Brown. Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Thompson moved, seconded by Ms. Bernard, to recommend that the following applicants be approved for licensure as respiratory care practitioners for ratification by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline. Motion passed with Mr. Eddy abstaining from the application of Eric Harter and Ms. Cipolla abstaining from the application of Elizabeth Brown.

Elizabeth Brown Shareefah Hall Eric Harter William Jackson Christopher Torode

## Discussion: College Courses – One Semester Hour Equal to 15 Contact Hours

The council discussed the clarification found in their rules and regulations that addresses this matter.

# Review Resume from Crystal Cordrey for Upcoming Vacancy to Replace Terry Thompson

Dr. Parise moved, seconded by Mr. Brown, to approve Crystal Cordrey to replace Terry Thompson. Motion passed with Ms. Thompson abstaining. This recommendation would need to be considered and approved by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline at their next scheduled meeting.

#### OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE COUNCIL

There was a brief discussion on the issuance of temporary licenses during the month of August when the council does not meet during that time.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

#### **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 12, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. in the Second Floor Conference Room, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard in Dover.

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# **ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Thompson moved, seconded by Ms. Cipolla, to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 4:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle Lynn MacAfee, MS

**Deputy Director**