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**ADVISORY BOARD ON RESPIRATORY CARE**

**Minutes**

**October 7, 2014**

The Advisory Board on Respiratory Care met on Tuesday, October 7, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Daniel Rowley, RRT, Chair  
Lois Rowland, RRT  
Sherry Compton, RRT  
Bruce Rubin, MD  
Hollie Freeman

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Jennifer Deschenes, JD, Deputy Executive Director for Discipline  
Alan Heaberlin, Deputy Executive Director for Licensing  
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Regulatory Analyst  
Bradley Verry, Licensing Specialist

**GUESTS PRESENT:** James Pikral, VSRC  
Justin Crow, DHP

**Call TO ORDER**

Daniel Rowley called the meeting to order at 1:01pm.

**EMERGENCY EGRESS PROCEDURES**

Mr. Rowley announced the Emergency Egress Procedures.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll was called. A quorum was declared.

**INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF**

All members of the staff and Advisory Board introduced themselves and provided a brief biographical statement.

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### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 4, 2013**

Dr. Rubin moved to approve the minutes of June 4, 2013. The motion was seconded and carried.

### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Mr. Rowley requested that the agenda be modified to remove James Shuke, President-elect, VSRC, and to include a review of the Health Practitioner Survey led by Justin Crow. Ms. Compton motioned to accept the changes made to the agenda. The motion was seconded and carried.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

There was no public comment.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **#1. Role and Responsibility of the Advisory Board**

Ms. Deschenes provided an overview of the Advisory Board's responsibilities. She explained that the advisory boards are working boards whose expertise is needed for the full board to conduct its business. Among the Advisory Board's duties, members may be called upon to assist the full board at its meetings, attend disciplinary and credentials committee informal conferences, develop the criteria for licensure and draft and approve regulations.

#### **#2. Health Practitioners Survey**

Justin Crow informed the Advisory Board members that the Department of Health Professions will be conducting a survey upon licensure renewal for Respiratory Care Practitioners. Mr. Crow reviewed with the Advisory Board Members a draft survey and requested input regarding the language of various questions.

#### **#3. Legislative Review**

Ms. Yeatts informed the Advisory Board of the status of the bill that was presented on behalf of the Respiratory Care Advisory Board to revise the several sections by changing the title of the profession in Virginia from "Respiratory Care Practitioner" to "Respiratory Therapist."

#### **#4. Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure requirements**

The Advisory Board agreed to table the licensure requirements review due to the fact that Mr. Shuke was not present to provide information necessary for this discussion.

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**#5. Biennial Respiratory Care Practitioner CE Requirements**

Mr. Rowley led the Advisory Board in a discussion in support of requiring ethics continuing education for renewal. Mr. Rowley and Dr. Rubin agreed to conduct research and present it to the Advisory Board at a later meeting.

**#6. Election of Officers**

Ms. Compton nominated Ms. Rowland to serve as chair, and Ms. Rowland nominated Ms. Compton to serve as Vice-Chair. The motions were seconded and carried.

**#7. Approval of 2015 Meeting Dates**

Ms. Deschenes reviewed the meeting calendar for 2015 with the Advisory Board. No action was required.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

February 3, 2015

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting of the Advisory board was adjourned at 2:19 p.m.

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Daniel Rowley, RRT, Chair

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Jennifer Deschenes,  
Deputy Executive Director for Discipline

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Bradley Verry, Licensing Specialist