

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE
BOARD RETREAT**

December 4-5, 2009

- CALL TO ORDER:** Dr. Piness called the meeting to order.
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jane Piness, MD, President
Karen Ransone, MD, Vice-President
Valerie Hoffman, DC, Secretary/Treasurer
Clara Adams-Ender, RN, MSN, USA Retired
Deeni Bassam, MD
Sandra Anderson Bell, MD
Malcolm Cothran, MD
Claudette Dalton, MD
William Epstein, MD
Stephen Heretick, JD
Jennifer Lee, MD
Stuart Mackler, MD
Roderick Mathews, JD
Juan Montero, MD
Wayne Reynolds, DO
Michael Signer, PhD, JD
- MEMBERS ABSENT:** Gopinath Jadhav, MD
Ellen Shapiro, DPM

The presentations/topics proceeded as per the agenda. Each generated questions for the presenters and discussion by the Board. The agenda format was as follows:

FRIDAY, DEC. 4TH

- Negligence---Malcolm Cothran, MD and Bruce Gehle, JD
- Midwifery---Brynne Potter, CPM
- Perspectives from a Hospital/Health System---Lynne Fleming, JD
- Perspectives from a Respondents' Attorney---Mike Goodman, JD
- Orientation Modules for New Licensees & Three Paid Claims Evals---William Harp, MD

SATURDAY, DEC. 5TH

- Continuing Competency---Claudette Dalton, MD
- Duties and Responsibilities of a Board Member---Steve Heretick, JD

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- Hearings-Preparation, Etiquette, Executive Session---Jane Piness, MD
- Summary Suspension---Jennifer Deschenes, JD and Clay Garrett, JD
- Boundaries---Karen Ransone, MD and Clay Garrett, JD
- Code of Ethics---Valerie Hoffman, DC
- Adjourn

Of particular note are that Dr. Lee agreed to work on a set of orientation modules for the Board, and Mr. Heretick gave an inspired description of the duties and responsibilities of a Board member.

Prior to adjournment, all attendees indicated that the two-day session had been useful in terms of information, purpose and mutuality.

All agreed that such sessions would be advisable once a year or every two years and would enhance the functioning of the individual Board members and the collective.

Jane Piness, M.D.
President

William L. Harp, M.D.
Executive Director