

ADVISORY BOARD ON RESPIRATORY CARE

Minutes

February 6, 2007

The Advisory Board on Respiratory Care met on Tuesday, February 6, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. at the Department of Health Professions, 6603 West Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia.

A Public Hearing was held for the proposed regulations in regards to recommended changes pursuant to periodic review that clarify the requirements for Reinstatement or Reactivation of a license. Comment was offered by Daniel Rowley from the Virginia Society for Respiratory Care. Mr. Rowley commented that the recommended changes are a great guideline for people to have and was in agreement with the recommended changes. Ms. Yeatts indicated that written comments on these proposed regulations will be received until April 4, 2007 and should be directed to Dr. William Harp, Executive Director of the Board. All written or electronic comments received within the timeframe will be considered prior to the Board's adoption of final regulations at its meeting in June.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brian Walsh, RRT, Chair
Doug Swing, RRT
Milagritos L. Flinn

MEMBERS ABSENT:

John Osborn, MD
Brian Wilson, RRT

STAFF PRESENT:

William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director
Ola Powers, Deputy Executive Director
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Regulatory Analyst
Colanthia Morton, Operations Manager
LaFonda Parham, Licensing Specialist

GUESTS PRESENT:

Daniel Rowley, Virginia Society for
Respiratory Care

CALL TO ORDER

Brian Walsh called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called. A quorum was established.

Let it be noted for the record that Brian Walsh announced the Emergency Evacuation Instructions prior to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 6, 2006

Doug Swing moved to approve the minutes dated June 6, 2006. The motion was seconded and carried.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Milagritos Flinn moved to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Daniel Rowley, Virginia Society for Respiratory Care, stated that he would like to comment on agenda items during their discussion by the Advisory Board; Mr. Walsh agreed to this approach.

NEW BUSINESS

#1. Regulatory Update

Ms. Yeatts discussed the regulatory update and what is currently in process.

#2. Legislative Update from 2007 Session

Ms. Yeatts presented and explained new legislation affecting the Department of Health Professions, the Board of Medicine and the Advisory Board on Respiratory Care.

#3. Letter regarding student exception to the practice of respiratory care

Dr. Harp discussed with the Advisory Board his letter to Don O'Donohue regarding student exception to the practice of respiratory care, Code of Virginia, Section 54.1-2956.01. There was discussion of a letter being prepared to be submitted to the school programs.

