

BOARD OF COAL MINING EXAMINERS

SUMMARY OF MEETING

SEPTEMBER 12, 2017

The following is a summary of the September 12, 2017 Meeting:

- I. Meeting called to order at 9:04 a.m. by Board Member Philip Hale. Members present were Bennie Johnson, Jr., Phillip Hale, Douglas Deel and Ricky O'Quinn. Board Chairman Randy Moore was absent. Also present were Regulatory Board Administrator Mary Gibson and Gloria Clark, Hearings Coordinator.**

- II. Motion made and seconded to accept September 12, 2017 meeting agenda and approved August 1, 2017 meeting summary. All members were in favor to approve.**

- III. Review of Virginia Substance Abuse Cases (Closed Session)**
Of the cases that resulted in hearings, evidence was taken by the Board in closed session, pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-3711(A)(4) and 45.1-11.35(E). In the closed session, the Board worked out agreements, allowing individuals to return to work conditionally, and took other disciplinary actions including revocation of all certifications held by miners.

- IV. Open Agenda**
Mary Gibson discussed the 2018 Board meeting schedule with the Board and suggested that the Board meet every other month instead of monthly. She also discussed the remaining meetings for 2017, and after discussion with the Board, it was decided that the October meeting would be held as scheduled on October 2, 2017. Decisions on the November and December meeting would be discussed at the October meeting. Mary will prepare a schedule for 2018 Board meetings and this will be discussed further at the October meeting as well.

Mary Gibson informed the Board that the Surface Foreman Mine Inspector exam was completed and the exam will be reviewed and discussed at the next Board meeting.

- V. Next Meeting**
Next meeting is scheduled for October 3, 2017.

- VI. Adjournment**
Meeting adjourned at 11:45 AM