

## Minutes

The Radiologist Assistant Advisory Committee of the Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision met on January 15, 2009, in accordance with the Open Meeting Act. The meeting was held at the office of the Board, 5104 N. Francis, Suite C, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Members present were:

Randy Stickney, MD, Chairman  
Tony Wallace, RA, Vice Chair  
Randy Jackson, RA  
Jay Cunningham, DO\*  
Curtis Harris, MD

Others present were:

Lyle Kelsey, Executive Director  
Robyn Hall, Director of Licensing  
Kathy Plant, Executive Secretary  
Patricia Podolec, Assistant Attorney General

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. The first item of business was approval of the minutes from the October 23, 2008 Committee meeting. Dr. Harris moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Wallace seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

The Committee reviewed proposed new rules. The Medical Board had requested that the Committee clarify the scope of practice of Radiologist Assistants. Dr. Harris moved to amend 435:60-7-1 to state that a licensed radiologist may not be the direct, general or personal supervisor for more than two Radiologist Assistants at any one time. Mr. Wallace seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

\*Dr. Cunningham joined the meeting. The Committee discussed privileging RAs for each procedure. Also discussed was having each RA submit a check list with their initial application stating which procedures they will be performing and having any changes submitted for approval.

Dr. Stickney advised that he would be present at the Medical Board meeting on January 29<sup>th</sup> to present the proposed rules and to discuss the qualifications and education of RAs.

The Chair recognized Chris Keim in the audience. Mr. Keim asked if the law and rules applied to Radiologist Practitioner Assistants (RPA). Dr. Stickney clarified that, in order to qualify for licensure, the applicant must pass the certification exam and meet other requirements. The law did not address RPAs. However, he said there is an opportunity for RPAs to grandfather into the national certification. He recommended that qualified RPAs take

advantage of the opportunity because nationally, radiologists are unifying behind the RA certification rather than RPA.

The Committee discussed expiration of members' terms. Staff was directed to set the expiration dates.

Mr. Kelsey noted for the record that Dr. Deupree did not receive notice of the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The time was 5:28 p.m.