

Minutes

The Respiratory Care Advisory Committee of the Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision met on May 27, 2021. This virtual amended meeting is being held consistent with the amendments to the Open Meeting Act, 25 O.S.2011, § 301 *et seq*, signed into law by Governor Stitt on February 10, 2021. Advance notice of this meeting was transmitted to the Oklahoma Secretary of State on November 10, 2020 and posted on the Board's website on May 25, 2021 at 1:44 p.m. pursuant to 25 O.S. § 311.9(b).

Members participating via Zoom were:

- Jim Grantz, RCP, Chair
- Karen Crouch, RCP, Vice-Chair
- Melody Beard, RCP
- Mark Fixley, MD
- Duane Koehler, DO
- Clyde Moss, RCP
- Clayton Royder, DO
- Beth Tenney, RCP

Members absent were:

- OSMA Physician Member (Vacant)

Others participating via Zoom included:

- Lyle Kelsey, Executive Director
- Billy H. Stout, MD, Board Secretary
- Sandra LaVenue, Deputy Director
- Barbara J. Smith, Executive Secretary
- Lisa Cullen, Director of Licensing
- Thomas Schneider, Assistant Attorney General, Committee Advisor
- Jason Fennell, I.T., Network Administrator

Mr. Grantz, having determined a quorum, called the meeting to order at 11:32 a.m.

Following review, Dr. Fixley moved to approve the minutes of February 25, 2021 as written. Ms. Beard seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

KEEUNNA BORENS appeared virtually in support of her application for Provisional Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure. Ms. Borens would like to reinstate her PR license which expired February of 2003. She was working at Hillcrest Medical Center during the time her license was expired. She cannot work without a temporary letter and the PR licenses expire every six months. Her application currently is incomplete. Ms. Borens stated she was working under a provisional license in 2003 but she did not pass her licensure examination. She continued to work at Hillcrest unaware that her license had expired. Ms. Borens advised she has not practiced for the past 20 years. She recently has returned to school for respiratory care

training and graduated and she is now asking to reinstate her license so that she can pass the National Board for Respiratory Care (“NBRC”) exam. Following discussion, Ms. Beard moved to approve the application for licensure of **KEEUNNA BORENS** pending completion of the file to include passing the Therapist Multiple Choice (“TMC”) test. As soon as she passes the NBRC exam, she needs to apply for RC licensure. Following additional discussion, Ms. Beard withdrew her motion. Ms. Tenney moved to recommend approval of the application for licensure of **KEEUNNA BORENS** for Provisional Respiratory Care licensure pending completion of the file. Dr. Koehler seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

ROSE TOWNSEND appeared virtually in support of her application for Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure. She last practiced in April of 1999. Her national certification does not expire. She does not currently hold an active license in any other state. She has never held an Oklahoma license and has not practiced within the past 12 months. Her application is incomplete. The last time she worked in a hospital was in 1999. She did some home health, CPAP setup, approximately 12 years ago for an agency but cannot recall the name of the agency. She kept her Texas license up until 2017 and let it lapse because she was not using it. She would like to return to respiratory care practice. Following discussion, Dr. Koehler moved to recommend tabling the application of **ROSE TOWNSEND** for Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure pending completion of the file and until further information is obtained. Dr. Fixley seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

KRISTIN LUCAS appeared virtually in support of her application for re-entry of Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure. She last practiced in 2016. Her Oklahoma license expired November of 2018 and her NBRC is current until 2022. Her file is complete. She would like to return to patient care at this time. Her license expired due to a tax lien, but that has since been satisfied. She also has obtained CEUs and has 18 credits currently. Following discussion, Ms. Beard moved to recommend approval of the application of **ROSE TOWNSEND** for Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure pending completion of one month of direct onsite supervision with the supervising therapist providing to the Committee a report on the applicant’s performance prior to licensure, and confirmation of 18 hours of CEUs. Dr. Fixley seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

HOLLY MYERS appeared virtually in support of her application for re-entry of Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure. Her license lapsed September 12, 2013. Her NBRC does not expire. She will be on indefinite probation when she gets her license but her name should be changed to Carnes. Her file is incomplete. She last practiced in 2006 and she is currently working as a teacher. She took one course from the American Association for Respiratory Care exam for CEU credit. Lisa Cullen made the Committee aware of the terms of probation Billy H. Stout, MD, Board Secretary, would like included and asked the Committee to make special note of those areas including, but not limited to, retaking the NBRC exam, direct onsite supervision, and CEU requirements.

Following discussion, Dr. Fixley moved to recommend approval of the application of **HOLLY MYERS** for Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure pending completion of the file to include completing of eight months of direct on-site supervision with the supervising therapist

providing to the Committee a report on the applicant's performance prior to licensure, successfully retaking and passing the NBRC entry-level examination, and completing 48 hours of CEUs. Ms. Tenney seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

TINA THOMAS appeared virtually in support of her application for re-entry of Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure. Her license lapsed in June of 2014 and her NBRC certification does not expire. Ms. Thomas appeared before this Committee in 2014 and she did not fulfill the requirements of the Committee at that time and her file went into no response in 2017. Her application is incomplete. Ms. Thomas stated life issues kept her from completing those recommendations of the Committee. She has obtained 37 CEUs. Following discussion, Ms. Beard moved to recommend approval of the application of **TINA THOMAS** for Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure pending completion of the file to include completion of seven months of direct onsite supervision with the supervising therapist providing to the Committee a report on the applicant's performance prior to licensure, and confirmation of 37 CEUs. Dr. Koehler seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

CINDY PARKER did not appear in support of her application for re-entry Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure. Dr. Fixley moved to recommend tabling the application of **CINDY PARKER** for Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure pending a personal appearance. Dr. Koehler seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

THERESA MUSONDA did not appear in support of her application for reinstatement of Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure. Mr. Grantz moved to recommend tabling the application of **THERESA MUSONDA** for Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure pending a personal appearance. Dr. Koehler seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

BROOK DEAN, applicant, Respiratory Care Practitioner, appeared virtually in support of her request to waive certain Committee recommendations dated February 25, 2021. The Committee recommended that she look at large hospitals because it is usually easier to get the direct onsite supervision in larger facilities. The Committee also advised Ms. Dean that their recommendations are not punitive, but to ensure appropriate patient care. Dr. Fixley moved to recommend denying the request of **BROOK DEAN** to waive certain Committee recommendations. Ms. Tenney seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

AUTUMN BREEDLOVE appeared virtually in support of her application for Provisional Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure, and in response to allegations of practicing without a license. In March of 2021 her application was approved pending completion of the file and her file remains incomplete. In February, a Form 5 was received by our licensing department. On May 12th the applicant phoned the agency and advised that her supervisor was unable to locate her on the licensing website. It was explained to her that she was not licensed and she stated she has been working since March of 2021 without a license. Once she receives a passing score on the NBRC, she will need to apply for her RC license. The applicant stated it was a

misunderstanding and she did not intend to illegally practice without a license. Following discussion, Ms. Beard moved to recommend approval of the application of **AUTUMN BREEDLOVE** for Provisional Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure pending completion of the file. Ms. Tenney seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

LAUREN MILLER appeared virtually in support of her application for Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure, and in response to allegations of practicing without a license. She applied for Provisional Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure in August of 2019 and the license was issued in November of 2019 and expired January of 2021. She continued to work at Norman Regional with an expired license from January of 2021 to the current time. She is now applying for a full respiratory therapist license. The applicant stated she went through employee orientation in October and she did not realize she had to reapply and repay to get a new license. She apologized and stated she did not intend to illegally practice without a license. She is working at Norman Regional but as a “sitter.” She is not working as a respiratory therapist. Following discussion, Ms. Beard moved to recommend approval of the application of **LAUREN MILLER** for Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure pending completion of the file. Ms. Tenney seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**Dr. Fixley left the meeting.*

The Committee then reviewed applications for licensure. Ms. Beard moved to recommend approval of the following incomplete applications for Provisional Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure pending completion of the files. Dr. Koehler seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**WOODWARD, SYDNEY FAITH
SMITH, DAVID L
GORMAN, MCKENNA
GARRISON, KIMBERLY MAE
LEGG, ABBIE ELAINE
WALLING, ALISA DANIELLE
WILEY, ARIENNE HOPE
SMITH, KEVIN DEAN
GRIMES, PATIENCE DAMERIAS**

**JACKSON, JA'SHANTE LARAY
KRAEMER, MADELINE ROSE
MUDER, KRISTIN KAY
TROST, BRITNEY ELIZABETH
INGLIMA, JOSEPH ANTHONY
HERRERA, DANIELLE NICOLE
RUSCIO, LIAM BODIE
LAY, CANDICE R**

Dr. Koehler moved to recommend approval of the following complete applications for Provisional Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure. Ms. Beard seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**RANDELS, PAYTON ELIZABETH
HIGHTOWER, CAROL RENEE
DELOERA, MAURICIO JR
MORRISON, JESSICA RENEE**

**KITTRELL, KALEIGH RAE
SHANKLIN, MICHELE LEE
THAIN, KAMMYE ALYSE**

Ms. Beard moved to recommend approval of the following incomplete applications for Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure pending completion of the files. Dr. Koehler seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**HILL, JAMES ELMER
REED, JILL MAUREEN
PEACOCK, SHAINA TANAY
FRAZER, DAWN MARIE
SANCHEZ, AMANDA RENEE
BALADA, HAOULATOU HAMADOU
GONZALES, SHONNA
ABRAMS, SHUMBREAL NICOLE
BECKER, ELIZABETH ANN
MAY, JENNIFER
GRIER, HOLLY KENYON
GARRETT, KATRINA M
QUIRANTES, SUSAN
GOGERTY, LORENE LOUISE**

**TORRES, ERIC SHAWN
GRAVES, AMANDA NICOLE
CHAPPELLE, BRIANNA MAY
FARLEY, CARLA DEANN
VANG, DIANE NOU
WALCK, HAYLEY BRIANNA
CUNNINGHAM, ALYSE RITA
ESPINOZA, JAMIE CHRISTINE
SPEER, MICHELLE ANN
WILKINSON, MEGHAN MATTISON
HAWKINS, PATRICIA NONE
MCCLELLAND, SHERA LYNNEA
POWELL, GINGER R
OROZCO, GABRIEL**

Ms. Tenney moved to recommend approval of the following complete applications for reinstatement of Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure. Dr. Koehler seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

DUREE, VALARIE ANN

LARKINS, TERA D

Dr. Koehler moved to recommend approval of the following incomplete applications for reinstatement of Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure pending completion of the files. Ms. Beard seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**HARRIS, RHONDA DAWN
BAUMANN, ROBERT EVAN
KAISER, STACEY LINNET**

**CLAXTON, HAYLEE EVANN
MONTGOMERY, PATRICIA
SHELTON, KATLYNN BETH**

Dr. Koehler moved to recommend approval of the following complete applications for Respiratory Care Practitioner licensure. Mr. Grantz seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**ROSENBAUM-MORADI, MELANIE R
AMARTEY, EUGENIA TELEY
HERREN, AMITY NOEL
JOHNSON, PHEBE
MORGAN, DEBBIE
JOHNSON, TAYLOR
CAMPOS, KATIE**

**ROWDEN, KIMBERLY KAY
MEANS, CARLTON E
PHILLIPS, KRISTAN MARIE
LITTLE, TERRI
GONZALEZ, STEPHANIE
BOOTH, ROBIN LANEAL
WOODS, GARRETT MICHEAL**

**GIROUX, JACQUELINE
HOSKINS, GERALD NEIL
NELSON, TRACI
MAXTED, ANN M
LEWIS, HEATHER
BARLOW, CAMI BRYCE
WISE, NINA
PRESTON, REGINA LEA
ROBBINS, CHRISTY
CRAGAN, SHELLY M
CUNNINGHAM, KATHERINE GAYLE
MARTINEZ, AMANDA**

**GRAVES, MACY LEIGH
SMITH, REBECCA ANN
PHAM, TONY
MALLIARD, RICKY JOHN
JONES, CHARLES BRYAN
GARNER, CHANTEL LYN
HILL, STACY KAYE
WHITE, AMANDA RAYE
CALDWELL, KAITLIN BROOKE
COOK, JOHN ERNEST
KEMP, AYL A DYAN**

Next, Mr. Grantz discussed proposed guidelines for the benefit of hospitals when determining appropriate CEU credit. The Committee agreed that the competencies hospitals are required to meet are not considered CEUs. Educators have contacted Mr. Grantz asking for guidelines for CEU credit. Dr. Koehler suggested looking into the ARC and/or NBRC for CEU guidelines. Thomas Schneider will send Mr. Grantz some information from the Arkansas Board. Barbara Smith will send information/documentation to the Committee as it is provided by Mr. Grantz.

There being no further business, Dr. Koehler moved to adjourn the meeting. The time was 1:12 p.m.