

**State Board of Medical Examiners
Open Public Session Minutes
January 14, 2004**

The meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners was held on January 14, 2004 at the Richard J. Hughes Complex, 25 Market Street, 4th Floor Conference Center, Trenton, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by David M. Wallace, M.D., President.

PRESENT

Board Members Criss, Farrell, Haddad, Harrer, Huston, Lucas, Moussa, Paul, Ricketti, Robins, Trayner, Wallace, and Walsh

EXCUSED

Board Members Chen, Desmond, Patel, Perry, Rokosz, and Weiss.

ALSO PRESENT

Assistant Attorney General Joyce, Deputy Attorneys General Dick, Ehrenkrantz, Levine, Kenny, and Warhaftig, Executive Director Roeder and Medical Director Gluck.

STATEMENT CONCERNING ANNUAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

The requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Act" have been satisfied by notice of this meeting given in the annual notice adopted by the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners on October 8, 2003 which was transmitted to the ATLANTIC CITY PRESS, STAR LEDGER, CAMDEN COURIER POST, ASBURY PARK PRESS, BERGEN RECORD and the TRENTON TIMES, all on the 11th day of November 2003.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Wallace thanked the Board members, as well as the Division of Law and the Administrative Office, for their hard work over the past year. He encouraged Board members to do their best in attending and participating in the Board meetings and various Committee assignments.

Dr. Wallace also announced that the Board will hold an informal conference for the purpose of permitting interested persons to present their views regarding the feasibility of decreasing medical malpractice insurance rates in the State. The meeting will take place:

February 19, 2004 Ramada Inn East Brunswick 195 Route 18 South East Brunswick, NJ 08816 10:00 to 5:00

Requests to speak should be submitted in writing to William Roeder, Executive Director, State Board of Medical Examiners, PO Box 183, Trenton, NJ 08625, no later than one week prior to the scheduled conference date. Specific presentation times will be assigned. Individual presentations will be limited to 10 minutes. (Those who do not pre-register to speak will be given an opportunity to speak only if the schedule allows.) Written comments and testimony are also encouraged and should be forwarded to the Board office (P.O. Box 183, Trenton, NJ 08625) by February 19, 2004.

Dr. Ricketti also announced that Assemblyperson Baroni (District 14 - Cranbury Township, Hamilton Township, Jamesburg Borough, Monroe Township, Plainsboro Township, South Brunswick Township, West Windsor Township) was present at the meeting. The Board welcomed him and extended an open invitation to attend the Board meetings.

Mr. Farrell was not in attendance during this section of the meeting.

MINUTES THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 10, 2003 OPEN BOARD MINUTES AS SUBMITTED.

Mr. Farrell was not in attendance during this section of the meeting.

MINUTES THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 15, 2003 OPEN CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE MINUTES AS SUBMITTED.

Mr. Farrell was not in attendance during this section of the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. SENATE BILL 2773 (Identical Bill A3988)

Seeks to permit physician assistants to prescribe controlled dangerous substances. Introduced by Joseph F. Vitale and Barbara Buono in the Senate and referred to the Senate Health Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee. The Executive Committee was concerned that there were no educational requirements relating to pharmacology included in the bill.

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO SUPPORT THE BILL. HOWEVER, REQUESTED THAT, WITHIN THE PARAMETERS OF THE BILL, SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO A DESCRIPTION OF SUPERVISION, IN PARTICULAR AS IT RELATES TO PRESCRIBING C.D.S., BE INCLUDED. ADDITIONALLY, THE BOARD VOTED TO REQUEST THAT A SPECIFIC REFERENCE **BE INCLUDED TO DIRECT** THAT THE CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS WILL BE FURTHER DETERMINED BY THE BOARD THROUGH REGULATIONS.

Dr. Moussa voted in opposition.

OLD BUSINESS

2. N.J.A.C. 13:35-6.23 PROPOSED CHAPERONE REGULATIONS

Lat month, the Board approved for publication in the *New Jersey Register* the responses to the comments received to the proposed regulation and for adoption as a regulation. Some syntactical changes have been made and this is before the Board to approve the changes.

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE REGULATION FOR ADOPTION AND **PUBLICATION** IN THE *NEW JERSEY REGISTER*.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Respectfully submitted,

David M. Wallace, M.D.
President

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