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The December meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Respiratory Care was convened in accordance with its notice to the Lieutenant Governor, the Bergen Record, the Trenton Times, the Courier Post and the Star-Ledger and was conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act.

Chairman Capek convened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. A roll call was taken and the following attendance was recorded for these minutes.

PRESENT: Christopher Lange
Michael B. Brown
Kenneth Capek
James Brophy

EXCUSED Philip Freeman
Janet Castronovo

ABSENT Robert Malovany. MD.

Also in attendance: Tobey Palan, Deputy Attorney General, Dorcas K. O’Neal, Executive Director and Bernadette Augustus, staff.

Public attendance: None.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the Public Session Minutes of November 1, 2011. **On a motion by James Brophy, seconded by Christopher Lange, the Board unanimously approved the Public Session Minutes as submitted.**

II. OLD BUSINESS/REAGENDIZED

None.

III. NEW BUSINESS

a. The Board reviewed the final Respiratory Care FY 2011 Budget Report and discussed a possible renewal fee credit. Darlene Kane, Budget Officer stated that she does not recommend a credit at this time. The Board accepted Ms. Kane's recommendation.

b. The Board of Respiratory Care reviewed its meeting dates for 2012. **November 6, 2012, was amended to November 5, 2012 because of Election day.**

JANUARY 3, 2012

JULY 10, 2012

FEBRUARY 7, 2012

AUGUST 7, 2012

MARCH 6, 2012

SEPTEMBER 11, 2012

APRIL 10, 2012

OCTOBER 2, 2012

MAY 8, 2012

NOVEMBER 5, 2012

JUNE 5, 2012

DECEMBER 4, 2012

On a motion by Michael G. Brown, seconded by James Brophy, the Board unanimously approved the meeting dates for 2012, as amended.

c. The Board reviewed a fax from Jie Liu, inquiring as to how many CEU's are given for a Bachelor of Science degree in respiratory care. On a motion by James Brophy, seconded by Christopher Lange, the Board authorized DAG Palan, to contact Ms. Liu to request that she fax a copy of her transcript in respiratory care from Boise State University. Upon receipt of the transcript, Board Member Brophy, will review the transcript and advise Executive Director O'Neal of the number of credits to be awarded. Reagendized.

d. The Board reviewed the acceptance of CEU's for taking specialty or re-credentialing exams. (Submitted by Chairman Capek). On a motion by James Brophy, seconded by Christopher Lange, the Board determined that advanced credentialing and recredentialing exams are eligible for continuing education credits. The Entry level CRT exam cannot be used for Continuing Education.

IV. INFORMATIONAL/FYI

None.

V. LEGISLATION AND PROPOSED REGULATIONS

- a.** The Board reviewed the Department of Health and Senior Services - DHSS Proposed New Rules at N.J.A.C.8:89 Governing Adult Protective Services. The proposed new rules at N.J.A.C.8:89 would set forth the standards and establish a framework for administration of the Statewide APS Program to help abused, neglected and exploited adults that reside in community settings and who are unable to protect themselves. The Board reviewed this matter **as informational**.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

There being no other business to come before the Board in Public Session, on a motion by James Brophy, seconded by Christopher Lange, the meeting was adjourned and the Board convened to Executive Session for the purpose of receiving counsel, to conduct three investigative inquiries, to review six items of old business and three items of new business.

The Board reconvened in Public Session. The next scheduled meeting is January 3, 2012. There being no other business to come before the Board, on a motion by Janet Castronovo, seconded by Christopher Lange, the Board adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorcas K. O'Neal
Executive Director

