

WV BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
November 3, 2022, 11:00AM

Presiding: Tracy Matthews, President
Present: Rodney Vest, Dr. Rayan Ihle, Chris Henderson, Clinton Taylor
Sarah Massey (Staff)
Absent: Barbara Folden
Recording: Nancy Massey

Proposed Agenda

Rodney Vest motioned to approve the agenda. Dr. Ihle seconded. Motion carried.

Board Minutes

Dr. Ihle motioned to approve the minutes for the May 21, 2022 meeting. Rodney Vest seconded. Motioned carried.

Executive Session - Rodney Vest motioned to go to Executive session. Dr. Ihle seconded. Motion carried.

Discipline

Personnel Compensation

Exit Executive session - Rodney Vest motioned to exit Executive Session. Chris Henderson seconded. Motion carried.

Discipline –

Sodano; 22-45 Board was notified that the discipline hearing was conducted on October 27, 2022 by Anthony Eates; Assistant Attorney General and Jeffrey Blaydes; Hearing Examiner. Transcripts will be presented to the board upon receipt.

Scott Hare; 22-125, Rodney Vest motioned to dismiss discipline case due to licensee deceased. Clinton Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DASCO; 22-53 Rodney Vest recused from voting due to performing the investigation. Chris Henderson motioned to accept DASCO's Letter of Compliance with the laws and regulations regarding the practice of respiratory care. Clinton Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

Dilorenzo; 22-810, Rodney Vest motioned to offer a Consent Agreement for 1 year random screenings, written reprimand, quarterly progress reports from employer. Chris Henderson seconded. Motion carried. Consent Agreement will be prepared/offered.

Staff Compensation –

Sarah Massey has completed her 90 day probationary period. Rodney Vest motioned to increase her current salary by 4,000.00 effective immediately. Chris Henderson seconded. Motion carried.

Student Permits –

Discussion ensued on proposed changes to the Student Permit Rule and will be finalized for filing before the June deadline.

Rescind Suspensions Rule 1 & 3 (Covid) –

Nancy Massey notified the board that Rules 1 & 3, which were suspended in March 2020, due to Covid-19 have been rescinded and the original Rules 1 & 3 are in full force and effect. CEUS will be reported in 2022 upon renewal and the board will no longer be issuing Covid Temporary Permits due to no demand.

Postage Meter

Nancy Massey presented a proposal to replace the board's outdated (2006) postage meter. Dr. Ihle motioned to replace the old meter per purchasing guidelines. Rodney Vest seconded. Motion carried.

Board Vacancies –

Discussion ensued concerning board member vacancies and request the Governor to move Clinton Taylor from practitioner to Home Care Member which if approved, will leave a vacancy. The board members will recommend nominations to fill the vacancies and recommend the reappointment of Barbara Folden as lay member to the Governor. Tracy Matthews will contact the WVSRC for nominations as well.

Administrative Review –

Nancy Massey presented the following documents to the board for approval and/or review. P-Card Purchases; Rodney Vest motioned to approve the purchases. Dr. Ihle seconded. Motion carried.

FY2023 Budget Review

FY2024 Appropriations Review

Copier Update – New copier has been installed.

Mobile phones and tablets have been received and activated.

The staff will send emails out to notify licensees on how to report their carry over CEUS from 2018.

New Business

Upcoming Conference –

Tracy Matthews will attend the AARC Congress in November 2022

Conference Review –

Dr. Ihle represented the board at the World Lung Conference in Austria and was awarded recognition for her research in lung cancer. Discussion ensued concerning the innovative research of vaccines for cancer.

The board has instructed the staff to send emails out to notify licensees on how to report their carry over CEUS from 2018.

Adjourn –

Rodney Vest motioned to adjourn. Clinton Taylor seconded. Motion Carried.

Recording –

Nancy J. Massey
Adm Assistant

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Discipline Review / Final Decision

Rebecca Soldano; LRTC2544, hearing held on October 27, 2022.

Deputy Attorney General: Anthony Eates, Attorney at Law
Hearing Examiner: Jeffrey Blaydes, Attorney at Law

After careful review of hearing transcripts and the hearing examiner's recommendation, Chris Henderson motioned to suspend the license of Rebecca Soldano, a formal reprimand, issue fine of \$500.00. If Ms. Soldano reapplies in the future, she will be required render payment of fines and to enter a consent agreement with the board for 1 year of random drug screening, 1 year of addiction counseling, and 1 year of quarterly employment progress reports. Rodney Vest seconded the motion.

All board members are unanimous in this decision.

Adjourn; Rodney Vest motioned, Dr. Ihle seconded. Motion carried