# WV BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE BOARD MEETING MINUTES June 25, 2025, 11:00AM

Presiding: Tracy Matthews, President

Present: Rodney Vest - Board Secretary, Christopher Henderson, Barbara Folden, Dr. Rayan Ihle,

Katherine Campbell (Assistant Attorney General), Amber Shawver Legg (Staff)

**Guests: None** 

Absent: Franklin Chad Hamon

Recording: Amber Shawver Legg (Staff)

The Board President called the Board meeting to order at 11:05AM on Wednesday, June 25, 2025.

#### Proposed Agenda

Christopher Henderson motioned to approve the agenda. Eric Rodgers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **Board Minutes**

Barbara Folden motioned to approve the minutes for the March 26, 2025, Board meeting, April 16, 2025, Board meeting, and the May 8, 2025, Board meeting. Dr. Rayan Ihle seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Executive Session – Christopher Henderson motioned to go into Executive Session at 11:06AM to discuss disciplinary matters. Rodney Vest seconded the motion. Motion carried. Eric Rodgers departed the Executive Session at 11:11AM and returned at 11:14AM.

#### Discipline

Exit Executive Session – Barbara Folden motioned to exit Executive Session at 11:20AM. Rodney Vest seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### Discipline

<u>23-711</u>, Rodney Vest motioned to find probable cause for a reprimand and to offer the licensee a Consent Agreement stipulating that, if the licensee should re-activate their license to practice respiratory care therapy and practice as a licensed respiratory therapist, that the licensee shall submit quarterly performance reports for a period of one (1) year from re-activation of their license and obtaining employment as a licensed respiratory therapist from their Supervising Respiratory Therapist. The licensee shall also reimburse the Board the costs of this proceeding. Christopher Henderson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

<u>24-0214</u>, Christopher Henderson motioned to proceed with further investigation of this case. Dr. Rayan Ihle seconded the motion. Motion carried.

<u>25-0409</u>, Christopher Henderson motioned to proceed with further investigation of this case. Dr. Rayan Ihle seconded the motion. Motion carried. Eric Rodgers recused himself from this vote.

<u>CEU Audit Violation</u>s, Barbara Folden motioned to issue Consent Agreements to the licensees who did not complete their CEU audit and to impose a \$50 fine. Rodney Vest seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Consideration of Agenda Items for the July 29<sup>th</sup> Respiratory Leadership Meeting
The Board discussed potential agenda topics for the upcoming Leadership
Meeting, including: a summary of recent legislation affecting respiratory care;
updates and trends in West Virginia respiratory care education programs; the
Respiratory Care Interstate Compact; and participant questions and comments.

## Legislative Review

Regulatory Comprehensive Review of All Rules & Rulemaking/Review Committee

The Board discussed developing a plan to review Board rules and potential revisions at upcoming meetings.

Consideration of Universal Licensing (SB458) Implementation & Procedures

Christopher Henderson motioned to include the following required statement on all licensee applications and the WVBORC website, as required under SB458:

"Pursuant to W. Va. Code §30-1-27, a person shall be granted an occupational or professional license, registration, or certificate if the person has been licensed or certified in another state, the license, registration, or certificate is in the same discipline and at the same practice level as the license, registration, or certificate for which the person is applying in this state and the person meets other conditions prescribed by W. Va. Code §30-1-27."

Rodney Vest seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **Board Members**

#### **Board Reappointments**

Barbara Folden motioned to recommend reappointment of Dr. Rayan Ihle and Eric Rodgers as Board Members to the Governor's office. Rodney Vest seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **Board Officer Elections**

Rodney Vest motioned to nominate Tracy Matthews as Board President. Barbara Folden seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Christopher Henderson motioned to nominate Rodney Vest as Board Secretary. Eric Rodgers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### Administrative Review

**LRTC Update & Licensee Count** 

LRCA – 2 LRTC – 522 LRTR – 1,566 STP – 27

# Consideration of the P-Card Purchases

Christopher Henderson made a motion to accept the P-Card purchases. Rodney Vest seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Budget Revenue Review** 

Dr. Rayan Ihle motioned to approve the Budget Revenue documents. Eric Rodgers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

# Office Area Health and Safety Inspection

The WVBORC Safety Committee reported no safety concerns at this time. Barbara Folden made a motion to accept the safety report. Rodney Vest seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## Consideration of Upcoming Conferences & Trainings

Barbara Folden motioned to approve payment for Amber Legg's attendance, if required, to the Respiratory Care Interstate Compact Legislative Summit, to be held in Washington D.C., on August 19, 2025. Rodney Vest seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Rodney Vest motioned to approve Tracy Matthews' attendance at the AARC Summer Forum, to be held in Fort Lauderdale, FL, July 11-13, 2025. Barbara Folden seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Amber Legg and Tracy Matthews plan to attend the WVSRC Fall Conference to be held in Morgantown, WV, September 10-11, 2025. Amber Legg will host a vendor table at the conference for Board information and outreach materials.

### Adjourn

Christopher Henderson motioned to adjourn the Board meeting at 12:12PM. Eric Rodgers seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

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