



**Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners'  
Committee for Clinical Perfusion**

**Tuesday, April 23, 2019**

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**MINUTES**

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Board members present: Chad Smith, CCP, Chairman  
Dorris "Bill" Dozier, CCP  
Wendy Menowsky, CCP  
V. Seenu Reddy, MD  
Alice Walker, Consumer Member

Staff present: Samuel Moore, General Counsel  
Angela Lawrence, Director  
Rene Saunders, M.D., Medical Director  
Stacy Tarr, Administrative Director  
Candyce Wilson, Administrative Director  
Brandi Allocco, Board Administrator

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 am by Chairman, Chad Smith. A quorum was present.

**Approval of Minutes**

The Committee reviewed the minutes from the October 23, 2018 meeting. Dr. V. Seenu Reddy made a motion to approve the minutes and Ms. Alice Walker seconded. The motion passed.

**Election of Officers**

Ms. Walker made a motion to nominate Ms. Menowsky as Secretary, Dr. Reddy seconded. The motion passed.

Dr. Reddy made a motion to nominate Chad Smith as Chair, Ms. Walker seconded. The motion passed.

**Conduct New Business**

Discussion took place regarding Consultant or Committee Member review of applications. Rule allows Committee designee and the Committee agreed to continue with Dr. Saunders review and approval of applications, inviting those applicants with red flags to interview.

**Ratification of new licenses and reinstatements**

Dr. Reddy made a motion to approve the list and Ms. Menowsky seconded. The motion passed.

## **Reports**

### **Office of General Counsel**

Mr. Samuel Moore discussed a possible rule change to **0880-11-.11 3(b)**. This rule is pertaining to the reactivation of a retired license and states; *If reactivation was requested prior to the expiration of one (1) year from the date of retirement, the Committee may require payment of the licensure restoration fee and past due renewal fees as provided in Rule 0880-11-.06.* Mr. Moore asked the Committee if they would like a draft of a change to this rule removing this one (1) year distinction. The Committee agreed they would like this change. Mr. Moore will have the draft to vote on at the next meeting.

Mr. Moore reported there are no disciplinary matters.

### **Office of Investigations**

Ms. Lori Leonard reported there are no complaints in 2018, no open complaints being investigated and no practitioners being monitored.

### **Financial Office**

Ms. Noranda French reported the 2019 Mid-Year numbers (through December 31, 2018):

- The Committee has Board revenue totaling \$5,760 and mid-year net totaling \$2,299
- Projected 2019 revenue is \$14,100 with an end of year net projection of \$251
- Carry-over as of 2018 is \$152,282
- The Committee has performed well bringing in more revenues than expenses.

Discussion was had regarding what types of things are approved for use of carry-over funds. The Chair will receive a letter from the Assistant Commissioner asking for any initiatives of the Committee. The approval for use of carry-over funds must be approved by the Commissioner for finance and Administration. It was asked about a scholarship and shared that there was one (1) scholarship initiative that failed. Committee requested a blueprint of the scholarship initiative that was not approved. Committee expressed wanting to attend job fairs or something similar to raise awareness of the Profession.

Committee requested to see the growth of the profession over the last ten (10) years in comparison to population growth.

### **Administrative Office**

Ms. Stacy Tarr reported the activities that have transpired between November of 2018 and April of 2019:

New Applications Received	2
Total New Licenses Issued	11
Total Number of Reinstatements	1
Renewals	19
Online Renewal Rate	94%

Total number of active licensees as of April 1, 2019 is 141.

### **Discuss Rule Revisions**

Mr. Moore summarized the Rule revisions:

- Replace the word reinstatement with reactivation
- Remove the charge for past due renewal fees

- Drop the one (1) year distinction in the reactivation rule
- Continuing education requirements to be thirty (30) hours every two (2) years instead of fifteen (15) every year.

Lengthy discussion was had regarding requirements to reinstate a retired license. The rule currently says inactivity in excess of two (2) years should be prepared to meet or accept other conditions or restrictions as the Committee may deem necessary.

Committee requested to see how surrounding states are handling out of clinical practice.

The Committee discussed adding a clinical case log requirement to reinstatement applications. It was shared an applicant with no clinical experience in excess of two (2) years will appear at a meeting for the Committee to determine the best remediation plan.

Mr. Smith made a motion to adjourn and Dr. Reddy seconded. The motion passed.

**The meeting adjourned at 10:59 am.**