

STATE OF MAINE
RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY BOARD OF EXAMINERS

Minutes of April 15, 2004

Members Present: Dawn Commune, Chair; Linda Woods, Complaint Officer; Carrie Steele, Rebecca Comeau and William Curtis

Others Present: Penny Vaillancourt, Administrator; Carolyn Silsby, Assistant Attorney General and Diane Bradstreet, Board Clerk

Members Absent: Brian Brock, Terry Zipper and Russell Briggs

CALL TO ORDER

Dawn Commune, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

In a motion by William Curtis, seconded by Rebecca Comeau, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of January 15, 2004 as written.

DISCUSSION REGARDING PET/CT CERTIFICATION AND TRAINING

The Board tabled discussion regarding this matter until the next meeting.

COMPLAINT PRESENTATIONS

The following complaints were presented by Linda Woods, Complaint Officer:

Complaint #RA-008 – In a motion by Carrie Steele, seconded by Linda Woods, the Board voted unanimously to table this complaint pending receipt of further information.

Complaint #RA-009 – In a motion by William Curtis, seconded by Rebecca Comeau, the Board voted to hold an Adjudicatory Hearing on this matter and to suspend this individual's license effective immediately based upon the immediate jeopardy this individual's continued practice poses to his safety and the safety of the public. The license will be suspended for 30 days pending the Adjudicatory Hearing which will be scheduled within thirty days of the notice provided to the licensee. All in favor with Linda Woods recused.

In a motion by Carrie Steele, seconded by Rebecca Comeau, the Board voted that in lieu of the Adjudicatory Hearing, the Board will offer this licensee a Consent Agreement. All in favor with Linda Woods recused.

REQUEST TO SIT FOR THE LIMITED RADIOGRAPHER'S EXAMINATION

Roger Bertin, Jr. – Mr. Bertin's request to sit for the Limited Radiographer's Examination was reviewed and unanimously approved in a motion by Rebecca Comeau, seconded by William Curtis pending receipt of documented proof that Mr. Bertin has demonstrated competency in the following areas:

- Board Rule Chapter 2, Section 6 (A) (6): “Recognizing emergency patient conditions and initiating life-saving first aid and basic life-support procedures”, and
- Board Rule Chapter 2, Section 6 (A) (9): “Participating in radiologic quality assurance programs”.

Lisa Caron – Ms. Caron’s request to sit for the Limited Radiographer’s Examination was reviewed and unanimously approved in a motion by Rebecca Comeau, seconded by Linda Woods pending receipt of documented proof that Ms. Caron has demonstrated competency in the following areas:

- Board Rule Chapter 2, Section 6 (A) (6): “Recognizing emergency patient conditions and initiating life-saving first aid and basic life-support procedures”,
- Board Rule Chapter 2, Section 6 (A) (9): “Participating in radiologic quality assurance programs”,
- Board Rule Chapter 2, Section 6 (B) (3) (i): “Performance inventory sheet”, and
- Board Rule Chapter 2, Section 6 (B) (3) (iii): “Letter of recommendation by licensed practitioner”.

The Board will also notify Ms. Caron that her trainee status expired on April 16, 2004 and that she no longer has the authority to perform duties as a Limited License Trainee.

DENIAL OF LICENSURE

In a motion by Linda Woods, seconded by Carrie Steele, the Board voted unanimously to preliminarily deny the application for licensure of Jared S. Jenkins for failure to provide the Board with a letter explaining the circumstances surrounding his criminal conviction.

REQUEST TO SIT FOR THE LIMITED RADIOGRAPHER’S EXAMINATION AND FOR REINSTATEMENT OF THE LIMITED LICENSE TRAINEE STATUS

Nancy W. Kiesman – In a motion by Rebecca Comeau, seconded by William Curtis, the Board voted unanimously to deny Ms. Kiesman’s request to sit for the Limited Radiographer’s Examination as Ms. Kiesman did not complete the education and training requirements prior to the expiration of her trainee status. Additionally, in a motion Rebecca Comeau, seconded by Carrie Steele, the Board also voted unanimously to deny Ms. Kiesman’s request for reinstatement of her trainee status

REQUESTS FOR LIMITED LICENSE TRAINEE STATUS

The following requests for the Limited License Trainee status were tabled pending clarification regarding the Board’s statutory authority to grant the trainee status:

Nancy Ashcraft – Foot and Ankle Center
Claire S. Wodraska – Foot and Ankle Center
Trisha Silvius – Foot and Ankle Center
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John E. Freudenberger – Foot and Ankle Center
Deborah H. Swain – Foot and Ankle Center
Pamela Mitchell – Community Chiropractic Enterprises, Inc.
Barbara Mackin – Page Chiropractic Health Care
Judith A. Dineen – SeaCoast Foot and Ankle Specialists, LLC
Nichole Thibodeau – SeaCoast Foot and Ankle Specialists, LLC
Denise E. Chisari – Fryeburg Community Chiropractic

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board received correspondence questioning whether an x-ray technician is permitted under the Board's statute to administer medications.

In a motion by Linda Woods, seconded by Carrie Steele, the Board voted unanimously for Penny Vaillancourt to respond to this inquiry informing this individual that there is no authorizing language for a radiologic technologist to administer medications in the board's current statute. Additionally, the board discussed the use of registered nurses who are available with proper training to work in radiography settings and to administer medications, so long as their license allows them to do so. The board also raised concerns that pharmacology is typically not part of the required curriculum of a radiologic technology student.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – PENNY VAILLANCOURT

For the Board's information, the role of a board complaint officer was explained. Ms. Vaillancourt also reviewed the legislative process.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 12:00 p.m. in a motion by Linda Woods, seconded by Carrie Steele.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane J. Bradstreet
Board Clerk