

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION
BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF MEDICAL TECHNICIANS



MINUTES of October 2, 2018

The October 2, 2018 meeting of the Board of Registration of Medical Technicians convened at 8:05 a.m. with the following members present:

Cynthia Gray, RN, Chair
William Clutterbuck, MD
Sarah Wilder, Med Tech
Arthur Yan, MD

Absent: None

The Board voted on a motion from Arthur Yan with a second by Sarah Wilder to approve the minutes of August 7, 2018, as amended.

QUALIFICATIONS AND REGISTRATIONS

1. **REGISTRATION REQUESTS**

The Board approved the following applications for registration on a motion from Arthur Yan with a second by Sarah Wilder:

Jessie E. Bruce	Christopher J. Jewell
Adam M. Carney	Caleb A. Joyner
Katie E. Curtis	Christine M. Muir-Huntress
Maureen A. Durgin	Linda A. Newman
Maria C. Glesne	Melanie J. Ortiz
Hannah Lee	Lisa Ostrosky
Lindsay P. Hensel	Elyse K. Pert
Erica T. Hines	Tina A. White
Samantha L. Isabelle	

The Board voted on a motion from William Clutterbuck with a second by Sarah Wilder to request additional information from the following applicants for registration:

Courtney L. Blanc	Nicole A. Rinaldi
Briana M. Owens	Brooke R. Shepard-Bourque

ADMINISTRATIVE

2. REGISTRATION QUESTION

Lynne M. Van Valkenburg submitted an application on July 24, 2017 and never followed through with providing the required documents to complete the process to go from “Temporary” to full licensure. She then submitted a second application on September 7, 2018, included was a letter stating she already paid the fee back in 2017 and requesting the Board waive the fee. The Board voted on a motion from Sarah Wilder with a second by William Clutterbuck to let her know that she is required to pay the \$110 registration fee for this new application. The old application was only good for 120 days from the date she was notified of missing documents.

3. Rules:

- a. The Board opened the rules hearing on Mtec 301, Mtec 302.06, Mtec 304.01, Mtec 401.02, and Mtec 404.04 at 8:16 am. No members of the public were present to give testimony. The hearing was closed at 8:35 am.

4. HEARINGS:

- a. Tara K. Thurston – The hearing was opened at 9:15 to hear testimony on allegations that Ms. Thurston failed to respond to the Board’s request for information, failed to provide the Board’s office with changes of her address within 30 days, and engaged in professional misconduct by her frequent use of profanity, slamming office furniture and falsifying a time card. Ms. Thurston failed to appear before the Board. The hearing was closed at 9:25 a.m The Board voted on a motion from Sarah Wilder with a second by Arthur Yan to Suspend Ms. Thurston’s registration pursuant to RSA 328-I:11, II.
- b. Andrew Baney – The hearing was opened at 9:30 to hear testimony on allegations that Mr. Baney failed to respond to the Board’s request for a written response to allegations set forth in a complaint and the allegations set forth in that complaint. The hearing was closed at 9:32 a.m. Mr. Baney failed to appear before the Board. The Board voted on a motion from Sarah Wilder with a second by Arthur Yan to Suspend Mr. Baney’s registration pursuant to RSA 328-I:11, II and seal the medical records.
- c. Dennis W. J. Griffin – The hearing was opened at 9:33 to hear testimony on allegations that Mr. Griffin failed to respond to the Board’s request for a written response to allegations set forth in a complaint, submitting a fraudulent application, and failed to provide the Board’s office with changes in his home address within 30 days. Mr. Griffin failed to appear before the Board. The hearing was closed at 9:34 a.m The Board voted on a motion from Sarah Wilder with a second by William Clutterbuck to Suspend Mr. Griffin’s registration pursuant to RSA 328-I:11, II.
- d. Tara R. Palmater – The hearing was opened at 9:35 to hear testimony on allegations that Ms. Plamater failed to provide the Board’s office with changes of her home and business address within 30 days and failed to respond to the Board’s request to provide the updated change to home and business address. Ms. Palmater failed to appear before the Board. The hearing was closed at 9:37 a.m The Board voted on a motion from Sarah Wilder with a second by Arthur Yan to Suspend Ms. Palmater’s registration pursuant to RSA 328-I:11, II.

5. The Board reviewed an article in the Boston Sunday Globe containing information about home health aides and the potential that many clients are vulnerable to theft and worse. These workers are unregulated. The article is informational and will be kept on file in the Board's office.

ADJOURN: the Board voted on a motion from Arthur Yan with a second by Sarah Wilder to adjourn at 9:50 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Tina M. Kelley, Administrator.

Cynthia Gray, RN, Chair

at meeting dated

10/02/18

Motion to commence non-public session:

On the motion of Sarah Wilder with a second by Arthur Yan, the Board voted to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A: 3, II (c), RSA 91-A: 3, II (e), RSA 91-A: 5, IV, *Lodge v. Knowlton*, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION:

[Minutes kept separately]

Motion to keep minutes of non-public session confidential:

Upon the motion of Arthur Yan with a second by William Clutterbuck, the Board voted to withhold and seal the minutes of the preceding non-public session from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3, III on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely to affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a Board member and to render the proposed action ineffective. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.