

**SC Radiation Quality Standards Association
Board Meeting
12:00 PM, April 9, 2010
Via Teleconference**

DRAFT Minutes

Welcome and Introductions

President Roxzanne Breland, DC called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm. Trustees present were: Dr. Roxzanne Breland (SCCA); Gary Martin (SCSRT), Vice President; Cynthia Waystack (public), Secretary/Treasurer; Gail Alewine (SCSMA); Dr. Brian Davies (SCPMA), Bert Wood (SCSRT); Jack Morris (SCSRT); Aaron Gantt (DHEC ex-officio); and Keely Yates, Executive Director. Not attending: Dr. Ralph Riley (SCAFP), Dr. Ken Spicer (SCRS), Dr. Susan Keeshan (SCMA) and Yancy Wells (SCSRT).

Compliance with Freedom of Information Act

The following Freedom of Information Act (FOI) compliance statement was read: "A notice of this meeting, its time, date and purpose has been posted with the Associated Press and the Governor's Office in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act that the public be notified when the public's business is conducted." **A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the FOI compliance statement.** There was no one present to speak to the Board.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the August 22, 2009 Board minutes.

President's Report

Dr. Breland welcomed the Board members and thanked them for their time in attending today's meeting. The first item of business was to update the Board on the status of the Radiographer Assistant bill. Ms. Yates received a copy of the new draft bill from Cephus Simmons and it does not reference the SCRQSA or the Medical Health and Radiation Safety Act. It does create a new Registered Radiologists Assistant Act in Title 40, Chapter 47 - PHYSICIANS, SURGEONS AND OSTEOPATHS. Dr. Breland thanked the Board members for their understanding of this important issue and Richard Davis and Ms. Yates at Capitol Consultants for maintaining a dialogue with Mr. Simmons regarding the RA bill and the best way to accomplish the objective of licensing this new profession. Ms. Yates noted that she will continue conversations with Mr. Simmons as the bill moves forward.

Dr. Breland referenced the Limited exam report as distributed. She noted that the SC mean scores were slightly below several of the National mean scores. Ms. Yates noted that of the 55 state exam candidates, several of them have had to repeat the exam several times due to failure. This could explain the slight drop in mean score.

The third item for discussion is the CT certification as related to Certified Nuclear Medicine Technologists and Dr. Breland asked Mr. Martin to review. Mr. Martin noted that he had some concern with the SCRQSA CT certification allowing Certified Nuclear Medicine Technologists (CNMT) who are also CT registered to take diagnostic CT scans in addition to the attenuation studies. The ASRT and ARRT have stated no objection to this, however, two states have recently changed their law to not allow CNMT/CT techs to take diagnostic CT scans. The main issue is radiation protection protocols and the safety of the patient. After discussion, Dr. Breland asked Mr. Martin if he would lead a task force to study this issue and report back to the Board in August. The task force will include Mr. Martin, Mr. Wood and Mr. Morris.

Executive Director's Report

Ms. Yates reviewed the Certificate Report. She noted that the excel file incorrectly tabulated the totals and she will distribute a new report with the minutes. The total number of certificates as of 3/31/10 was 6,298. She noted that they heavy renewal cycle would take place this year and they will renew approximately 2,500 certificates from June – August. Staff is distributing renewal documents now.

Treasurer's Report

Ms. Waystack reviewed the Financial Report as distributed. Current income for the first quarter 2010 is \$21,468.66 and current expenses are \$24,353.97. The heavy renewal cycle over the summer will increase income significantly and we are budgeted for an approximate net gain of \$47,000. Ms. Yates noted that with the certification cycle, the even numbered budget years continue to show a net gain; however, the odd numbered budget years will have a net loss. The 2009 loss was approximately \$22,000. The report was accepted as information.

Other Business

The positions of president, vice president and secretary/treasurer are up for election. **A motion was made, seconded and passed to elect for the 2010-2012 term Dr. Breland as president, Mr. Martin as vice president and Ms. Waystack as secretary/treasurer.**

The Board will meet in August 2010 for the meeting and retreat. Dr. Breland suggested the following dates: August 13-14 or August 27-28. Ms. Yates will distribute these dates and please let her know your preference.

There being no other business, **a motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting at 12:25 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Keely Yates
Executive Director