

Oregon State Board of Radiologic Technology (OBRT) Special Meeting

May 21, 2004 MINUTES

State Office Building 800 NE Oregon Street, Suite 1160A Portland, Oregon

ATTENDANCE

Members and Staff: Hank Miggins, CIA, Board Chair; Ernest Wick, LRT, Vice Chair; Lorraine Bevacqua, LRT; Edna Marr, LRT; Matt Lang, LRT; Carol Parks, AAG; Linda Russell, Acting Executive Officer; Bev McDaniel, Staff.

Members Absent: Carrie Kuschnick, LRT, LRTT; Terry Lindsey, Manager of RPS and Advisory Member.

Also Present: OBRT Member Elect, David Hamby, PhD; Bob Rapcinski, RPS; Jim Gores, BAM Analyst; Susan Castanette, OSRT.

Public Session: 8:17 AM

PUBLIC SESSION - CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair, Hank Miggins called Public Session to order at 8:17 AM and welcomed guests. He made mention that this was a special, out of cycle, Board meeting.

Linda Russell introduced new member elect, David Hamby to the Board and guests present. Dr. Hamby is an Associate Professor of Radiation Health Physics at Oregon State University. He has 20 years experience in radiation protection, both in industry and academia. He is a sub-committee member of the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements (NCRP), a Fulbright Scholar awardee, and author of more than 30 peer-reviewed research publications in the radiation protection field. Dr. Hamby will be the Board's new public member effective July 01, 2004. He expressed his sincere desire and pleasure to be working with the other Board members in the effort to streamline process and accomplish the Board's goals.

OLD BUSINESS

Jim Gores reported that he had provided and discussed information on the OBRT office improvements with Monica Brown, Legislative Fiscal Officer. He advised the Board that they would have to wait until the September E-Board to make an appearance and report the progress being made. Mr. Gores reported turn-a-round time of licensure has greatly improved and is no longer the focus of the Board. He has been trying to locate monies to integrate the OBRT database with Grant Moyles System currently being used by the small licensing Boards on the 4th floor of the Portland State Office Building. He will continue to try other avenues that will benefit OBRT's financial status. Ms. Brown mentioned to Mr. Gores that it is time to focus on filling the vacant Executive Officer

position, building relationships with stakeholders, along with planning ways to educate the public.

Mr. Gores reminded the Board that the Governor's office is looking at the Board's administrative processes.

Matt Lang voiced his concerns in the Board having a responsibility in selection of the Executive Officer position as did Edna Marr. She is concerned were that the industry was getting too much influence. OBRT must address communication; she feels the Board is not being heard by the Govenors office staff. She asked the question how the Board can communicate better within the arena. Hank Miggins mentioned he has talked with Nancy Goss-Duran and she informed him of the Govenors need to make change in Board appointments and focus on more effective actions to be taken for future improvements. Overall the entire Board feels there is oversight of negligence from the top brass government offices; they feel this is a historical issue and that there is discovery of what the upper management is actually doing to disrupt the Boards vs. providing the in depth process of OBRT is really trying to accomplish. Barriers keep coming up leading to Board member displeasure, instead of looking at the progress being made. Forces that are stronger political seem to be of concern and the Legislative agenda seems to proceed the need for public safety.

NEW BUSINESS

Ernest Wick reported that Joseph Wahl would be faxing up the two qualified State employees applications of those received from the job posting. The Board took a 15 minute break so that these applications could be copied for review. The Board asked Linda Russell, Acting Executive Officer and whose application was one of the two qualified, Salem had received. Bev McDaniel was also asked to leave the meeting so that the Board could discuss the candidates freely. The Board was reminded by council and confirmed by Jim Gores that the Board has a responsibility to make every attempt possible to choose the best candidate for the position. Since there were only two qualified applicants the Board made the decision to re-post the job announcement and post it "Open and Competitive" as a good faith effort to search for the best possible candidate.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bob Ropcinski brought information referencing OAR 333-106-0035 of the Radiation Protection Services (RPS) proposed efforts on "Deliberate Exposures Restricted" for the healing arts.

ADJOURNMENT

Board Chair Hank Miggins asked if there was any other business or public comment. Hearing none, he thanked everyone for coming and adjourned the meeting at 12:30 PM.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for July 23, 2004 in Conference Room 120B at the Portland State Office Building.