

# Oregon Board of Radiologic Technology (OBRT) Quarterly Board Meeting

## APRIL 10, 2009 MINUTES

State Office Building 800 NE Oregon Street, Room 1A Portland, Oregon

### ATTENDANCE

**Members and Staff:** Carrie Whitlock, LRT, LRTT, Board Chair; Frank Erickson, MD, Vice Chair; Thomas King, LRT; Doug Cech, LRT; Frank Krause, Public Member; Pat Williams, LRT; Kimberly Earp, LRT, LRTT; Shirlee Templeton, Professional Imaging Member; Terry Lindsey, RPS (Advisory Member); Margaret Lut, RPS (Advisory Member); Linda Russell, Executive Director; Bernice Fox, Administrative LEDS Specialist; Heidi Park, Administrative Licensing Specialist

**Members Absent:** None

**Also Present:** Carol Parks, Senior Assistant Attorney General; Barbara Smith, LRT, Portland Community College; Virginia Vanderford, LRT, Portland Community College; Brock Price, OHSU

### EXECUTIVE SESSION – CALL TO ORDER – ORS 192.660 (1) (K)

The Executive Session is pursuant to ORS 192.660 (1)(K). Chair Carrie Whitlock called the meeting to order at 8:35 AM in Conference Room 1A, Portland State Office Building (PSOB), Portland, OR to discuss confidential Board discipline and investigative cases that are confidential according to ORS 676.175.

Sr. AAG, Carol Parks, offered information to the Board members about recusing themselves from participating and/or voting on certain investigations.

### PUBLIC SESSION – CALL TO ORDER

Chair Carrie Whitlock called the Public Session to order at 12:20 PM and welcomed guests. She asked for any thoughts or comments from the public.

Chair Carrie Whitlock introduced a motion to approve Katheryn Madison as Director for Pioneer Pacific, Springfield campus. Thomas King offered details about the new facility. He and Linda Russell took a brief tour of the facility. He stated they have a good program and Katheryn Madison has very good credentials. Debra Marcus, the president of the campus will be coming before the Board in July 2009 for approval of the program. Thomas King made a motion to approve Katheryn Madison as new program director for Pioneer Pacific, Springfield campus; seconded by Frank Krause; vote was unanimous.

Chair Carrie Whitlock congratulated Linda Russell and her staff for being awarded the 2008 State Controller's Gold Star Certificate, "awarded to State agencies that provide accurate and complete fiscal year end information in a timely manner. Clearly, the Gold Star is a challenge to earn, and its achievement is due primarily to your agency's

diligent efforts to maintain accurate and complete accounting records throughout the year.”

Linda Russell reminded the Board that according to the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT), “effective January 1, 2010, the primary category state-licensing examination scores will be counted in an individual’s number of ARRT examination attempts. State candidates who complete an ARRT exam for state licensing purposes will have those attempts counted toward the “three times in three years” eligibility requirement when they later apply for ARRT certification. The individual’s state-licensing score, however, will still not count for ARRT certification.” Barbara Smith explained that it is three attempts in three years. A fourth attempt can be made with remediation along with an explanation of what is involved in the remediation. If the fourth attempt is not successful, you have to go back to school.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chair Carrie Whitlock asked if there were any other additions or corrections to the January 9, 2009 Board meeting minutes. Hearing none, Kimberly Earp made a motion to approve the minutes for the meeting; seconded by Doug Cech; vote unanimous.

### **RATIFICATION OF LICENSES ISSUED**

The Board approved the following licenses that have been issued: Permanent Initial Radiologic Technologist licenses 107454 to 107501; Permanent Limited Permit Holder licenses 3814 to 3827; Temporary Initial Radiologic Technologist licenses, Temporary Initial Radiation Therapist licenses and Temporary Initial Limited Permit licenses L04225 to L04313 (Motion made by Kimberly Earp; seconded by Frank Krause; vote was unanimous).

### **INVESTIGATION CASES**

Frank Erickson read the investigative case roster:

**06-03-02** Licensee appeared before the Board. The Board moved to allow licensee to reapply for licensure and provide a current ARRT registration card. (Motion made by Frank Erickson; seconded by Doug Cech; vote unanimous).

**07-11-03** The Board moved to adopt the Final Order. (Motion made by Frank Erickson; seconded by Doug Cech; vote unanimous).

**08-02-01** Licensee did not appear before the Board. The Board moved to issue a Notice of Proposed Revocation of License in violation of 688.525(1)(c) as defined by 337-010-0060(3)(l). (Motion made by Frank Erickson; seconded by Frank Krause; vote unanimous).

**08-10-03** Licensee did not appear before the Board. The Board moved to send a letter to licensee regarding the outpatient treatment program. (Motion made by Frank Erickson; seconded by Doug Cech; vote unanimous).

**08-10-07** Licensee appeared before the Board. The Board moved to issue a Stipulated Agreement with a \$500.00 Civil Penalty in violation of 688.525(1)(g) as

defined by 337-010-0060(3)(g). (Motion made by Frank Erickson; seconded by Frank Krause; vote unanimous).

**09-02-01** Applicant appeared before the Board. The Board moved to approve licensure. (Motion made by Frank Erickson; seconded by Doug Cech; vote unanimous).

**09-02-02** Licensee appeared before the Board. The Board moved to send a letter-asking licensee to provide AA attendance sheets and progress reports from the two treatment programs licensee is participating in as required by the courts. If licensee is currently required to submit to random UA's, we are also asking for the results of those UA's to be submitted to the Board. (Motion made by Frank Erickson; seconded by Frank Krause; vote unanimous).

**09-02-03** Licensee appeared before the Board. The Board moved to suspend licensure for 30 days and issue a Stipulated Agreement with a \$1000 Civil Penalty in violation of 688.525(1)(f) as defined by 337-010-0060(3)(m). The Board also recommends attendance at an Ethics continuing education class. (Motion made by Frank Erickson; seconded by Doug Cech; vote unanimous; Board member Pat Williams recused herself due to conflict of interest).

**09-04-01** Applicant appeared before the Board. The Board moved to approve licensure. (Motion made by Frank Erickson; seconded by Doug Cech; vote unanimous).

The Board moved to approve and close the following cases involving operating without licensure: (Motion made by Frank Erickson; seconded by Doug Cech; vote unanimous).

**08-12-01**      **09-01-01**

The Board moved to approve and close the following case involving failure to disclose criminal history on application: (Motion made by Frank Erickson; seconded by Frank Krause; vote unanimous).

**08-12-02**

No action was taken by the Board on the following monitored probationary cases:

**07-02-01**      **08-01-01**      **08-09-03**      **08-10-03**

## **COMMITTEE UPDATES**

Continuing Education Committee Chair, Carrie Whitlock, reported there were no updates for the committee but mentioned she would be participating in the upcoming Oregon Society of Radiologic Technologists (OSRT) conference from April 16-20, 2009 in Cottage Grove, Oregon. Linda Russell will also be attending.

Frank Erickson, Chair of the Legal Committee, commented there was nothing to report at this time.

Doug Cech, Chair of the Limited Permit School Inspection Committee, presented his findings on two inspections he completed - OHSU in March with Margaret Lut and The Portland School of Radiography (PSR) in April with Linda Russell. Doug Cech put together a calendar of all the schools that need inspection in the future. Inspection for OSU will be in June or July. Abdill in Medford is also on the list for inspection. Linda Russell acknowledged and thanked Doug Cech for all the work he has done and is

doing on the school inspections. She informed the Board that we are now giving a typed and signed copy of the report to the schools as each inspection is completed.

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE**

Linda Russell reviewed and discussed the 2009-2011 Budget Summary that was passed today except for the policy packages that are part of HB 2245. The modernization is part of the policy package. The enhanced oversight is where we have our half-time investigator position. Today they approved a baseline for Information Technology (IT), the Board's portion for the Conference Room 445 remodel, and baseline office equipment such as ergonomic chairs or keyboards.

Thomas King gave an overview of the progress of HB 2245. He said it was gratifying to have garnered so much support from state representatives and state senators along with the Sonography Licensing Coalition (SLC). The bill received a "Do Pass" from the House. It now goes to the Ways and Means Committee.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Linda Russell reviewed the Board's Best Practice Performance Measures, Sections 9 through 15, with the Board members. An audit will be done on the performance measures. Linda will be sending a cover letter with a checklist to the Board members to complete and return to her; results will be shared at the July 9<sup>th</sup>, Strategic Planning Meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Brock Price, Assistant Director for Diagnostic Imaging at Oregon Health Sciences University (OHSU) and Virginia Vanderford of Portland Community College (PCC), proposed the outline of a project they have been working on for the past year on hybrid training for technologists. Speaking on behalf of OHSU as well as nuclear medicine technologists, Brock gave a brief history of bringing Positron Emission Tomography (PET) to Oregon for the first time about ten years ago. He went on to describe how he wants to set up an academic and clinical training program with PCC to educate nuclear medicine technologists to be able sit for the ARRT exam in computed tomography (CT). The ARRT has created a pathway for testing that would enable the technologists to do diagnostic CT exams. Brock Price passed out a packet that included the proposed curriculum and then he and Virginia Vanderford explained the details of the program. The Board discussed the proposed program.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT & ADJOURNMENT**

Board Chair Carrie Whitlock asked if there was any other business or public comment. Hearing none, she thanked everyone for coming and adjourned the meeting at 3:15 PM.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for July 10, 2009 at 8:30 AM in Conference Room 1-B at the Portland State Office Building.