

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

## October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009 MINUTES

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

### ATTENDANCE

**Members and Staff:** Thomas King, LRT, Board Chair; Frank Erickson, MD, Vice Chair; Frank Krause, Public Member; Kimberly Earp, LRT, LRTT; Shirlee Templeton, Professional Imaging Member; Terry Lindsey, RPS (Advisory Member); Linda Russell, Executive Director; Sarah Anderson, Administrative Licensing Specialist

**Members Absent:** Pat Williams, LRT; Margaret Lut, RPS (Advisory Member)

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

The Executive Session is pursuant to ORS 192.660 (1)(K). Chair Thomas King called the meeting to order at 8:58 AM in Conference Room 1B, Portland State Office Building (PSOB), Portland, OR to discuss confidential Board discipline and investigative cases that are confidential according to ORS 676.175.

### PUBLIC SESSION – CALL TO ORDER

Chair Thomas King called the Public Session to order at 12:07 PM. No one was present from the public.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Thomas King asked if there were any additions or corrections to the July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Board meeting minutes. Hearing none, Kimberly Earp made a motion to approve the minutes for the meeting; seconded by Frank Krause; vote unanimous.

### RATIFICATION OF LICENSES ISSUED

The Board approved the following licenses that have been issued: Permanent Initial Radiologic Technologist licenses 107546 to 107634; Permanent Limited Permit Holder licenses 3850 to 3871; Temporary Initial Radiologic Technologist licenses, Temporary Initial Radiation Therapist licenses and Temporary Initial Limited Permit licenses L04407 to L04477 (Motion made by Frank Krause; seconded by Frank Erickson; vote was unanimous).

### INVESTIGATION CASES

Frank Erickson read the investigative case roster:

**08-10-07** No action taken.

**09-04-06** No action taken.

**09-06-04** Licensee appeared before the Board. Motion was to approve the license. (Motion made by Frank Erickson; seconded by Frank Krause; vote unanimous).

**09-07-03** Licensee appeared before the Board. Motion was to approve the renewal. (Motion made by Frank Erickson; seconded by Frank Krause; vote unanimous).

**09-09-02** Licensee appeared before the board. Motion was to approve the license. (Motion made by Frank Erickson; seconded by Frank Krause; vote unanimous).

**09-09-03** Licensee appeared before the board. Motion was to approve the renewal. (Motion made by Frank Erickson; seconded by Frank Krause; vote unanimous).

**09-09-05** Licensee appeared before the board. Motion was made to approve the renewal. (Motion made by Frank Erickson; seconded by Frank Krause; vote unanimous.)

**09-09-06** Licensee appeared before the board. Motion was to require quarterly communication concerning alcohol abuse monitoring for a period of two years. (Motion made by Frank Erickson; seconded by Frank Krause; vote unanimous.)

Additional cases where consent order has been signed and civil penalties have been paid or suspended. These were due to licensee operating without a license:

**09-07-01**    **09-07-02**    **09-08-01**    **09-09-01**    **09-09-04**    **09-09-07**

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**

Next on the agenda was Continued Education (CE). Executive Director Linda Russell shared that Tim Sellar's from the Portland School of Radiography would like to have a speaker talk at one of his Limited Permit seminars concerning patient care on the H1N1 virus. He was asking for the Board's approval to use the H1N1 seminar as Continuing Education credit. The board voted unanimously. Board Chair, Thomas King also shared that he was going to speak at St. Charles Medical Center in Bend, OR on October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009 for 1-hour. The seminar is covering topics pertaining to a pediatric focus. There will also be 3-other physicians speaking with him. This seminar is free. Chair Board Thomas King also mentioned that on November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009 that he along with two physicians were also offering another 2-hours of free CE at Salem Hospital from 7:00-9:00 PM.

Frank Erickson, Chairman of the Legal Committee commented that, "the OAR Rewrite Committee has met and has made its initial attempt at revising the rules. The Rewrite Committee's goal is to have the preliminary draft on the desk of Carol Parks by the December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009 deadline." Dr. Erickson also made the statement. "We perceive a lot of debate concerning the ORS language. And Out of 44 sections in House Bill (HB2245), sections 25 through 44, are conditional statements that depend on the passage of other related House Bills conditions which the committee isn't privy to yet that will affect board compositions in particular. The Secretary of State's office should have something out concerning these changes by mid January or as late as early

February. Linda Russell stated, "Future expected changes are that 7 members of the board will be required to be present out of the 12 in order to have a quorum. Currently the board consists of 9 members and only 5 members are required to be present to have a quorum."

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE**

Linda Russell shared with the Board that she had filled both of her vacant employee positions. Sarah Anderson was introduced to the Board as the new Administrative Licensing Specialist. Linda told the board, "Sarah's background has been in Customer Service and will be an excellent asset to our team." Linda also announced, "I am also excited to have filled the Administrative LEADS Specialist position. He will also be a big asset to our agency. His start date will be November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009." Also shared by Linda was that she went back to ARRT for Limited Scope Meeting. She was able to meet their staff in person; and was also able to tour their new building wing for the first time. She stated, "My trip was quite informative and it was great to meet ARRT personnel that she had only known previously by voice over the telephone."

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Linda Russell discussed with the Board that the "Governor's Challenge" is to consolidate some of the State Boards and to eliminate others. Each biennium consolidation is a topic of discussion.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

The Board discussed the need for Radiography and CT equipment manufacturers to come up with a failsafe safety feature within the machinery and/or software that would eliminate any potential operator error. Presently, exposure limits are determined by the licensed technician using the equipment. Kim Earp along with Board Chair Thomas King mentioned that the Board might want to make future recommendations to equipment manufacturers concerning this safety issue.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT & ADJOURNMENT**

Board Chair Thomas King asked if there was any other business or public comment. Thomas King thanked everyone for coming and adjourned the meeting at 1:14 PM.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 8:30 AM in Conference Room 1A at the Portland State Office Building.