

**AGENDA (REVISED)**  
**CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD**  
**TUESDAY, June 19, 2007 at 1:30 PM**  
Department of Public Health Complex  
410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford Connecticut  
**Conference Room A/B - Building 470**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**I. MINUTES**

Review and approval of the minutes from the May 15, 2007 meeting.

**II. UPDATES**

- A. Chair Updates
- B. Information Update - Department of Public Health
- C. Legislative Update – DPH Office of Government Relations
- D. Information Update - Connecticut State Medical Society

**III. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Review of Residency Equivalency – Meyer Leon Proler, MD  
*Maritsa Morales, Licensing and Applications Analyst*
- B. Jeremy August, MD – Petition No. 2004-0810-001-178  
*Memorandum of Decision*

**IV. LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS**

- A. George J. Watstein, MD – Petition No. 2006-1018-001-178  
*Presentation of Consent Order – Stanley Peck, Section Chief, Legal Office, DPH*
- B. Clarisse Ferrara, MD – Petition No. 2006-0626-000-028  
*Presentation of Consent Order – Matthew Antonetti, Principal Attorney, Legal Office, DPH*
- C. Kevin Gendron, MD – Petition No. 2006-0919-000-028  
*Presentation of Consent Order – David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Legal Office, DPH*
- D. Ian Rubins, MD – Petition No. 2007-0522-001-094  
*Presentation of Interim Consent Order – Stanley Peck, Section Chief, Legal Office, DPH*
- E. Kevin P. Shea, MD – Petition No. 2006-0726-001-138  
*Presentation of Consent Order – Stanley Peck, Section Chief, Legal Office, DPH*
- F. Preston Goldsmith, PA – Petition No. 2007-0501-023-005  
*Motion for Summary Suspension – David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Legal Office, DPH*

**V. 120 Day Extensions**

- B. Raxlen, MD
- E. Squatrito, MD

**VI. ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS**

**ADJOURN**

The following minutes are draft minutes which are subject to revision and which have not yet been adopted by the Board.

**CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
May 15, 2007**

The Connecticut Medical Examining Board held a meeting on Tuesday, May 15, 2007 at the Department of Public Health Complex, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room A/B, Building 470, Hartford, Connecticut.

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***BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:*** Dennis G. O'Neill, MD, Chairman  
Richard Bridburg, MD  
Anne Doremus  
Robert Fuller, MD  
Steven Hanks, MD  
Velandy Manohar, MD  
George Terranova, MD  
Susan Wernick  
C. Steven Wolf, MD

***BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT*** David M. Goldenberg, MD  
Patricia Loving, PA  
Regina Stankaitis

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Dr. O'Neill called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

***I. MINUTES***

The draft minutes of the April 17, 2007 meeting were reviewed. Dr. O'Neill made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bridburg, to approve the minutes as edited. The motion passed with all in favor except Dr. Fuller, Ms. Wernick and Dr. Terranova who abstained.

***II. CHAIR UPDATES***

The following correspondence/information was received and reviewed:

1. Monthly tracking of pending cases.
2. Hearing assignments.
3. DPH Quarterly Investigations Update
4. Legislative email update
5. Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) BoardNet News - April 20, 2007.
6. FSMB 2006 Board Action Summary
7. Dr. O'Neill announced that representatives of the FSMB will be attending the August 2007 meeting.

***III. INFORMATION UPDATES***

A. Department of Public Health  
None

B. Connecticut State Medical Society  
None

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Reinstatement Application – Wilhelm Woolery, MD**

Maritsa Morales, Licensing and Applications Analyst, Department of Public Health, presented a license reinstatement application of Wilhelm Woolery, MD. Dr. Bridburg made a motion, seconded by Dr. Manohar to recommend approval of Dr. Woolery's reinstatement application. The motion passed unanimously.

**A. Medical School Permit Application – Maggie Nellissery, MD**

Maritsa Morales, Licensing and Applications Analyst, Department of Public Health, presented a medical school permit application of Maggie Nellissery, MD to allow her to practice solely at the University of Connecticut School of Medicine in a research position. Dr. Terranova made a motion, seconded by Dr. Wolf, to grant Dr. Nellissery's application for a permit to practice in a Connecticut medical school. Dr. Hanks spoke in opposition to the motion citing that Dr. Nellissery has not practiced clinically since August 2004. The motion passed with Dr. Manohar, Dr. Terranova, Dr. Bridburg, Dr. Wolf and Dr. O'Neill voting in favor; Ms. Doremus, Ms. Wernick and Dr. Hanks were opposed. Dr. Fuller abstained..

**V. LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS**

**A. Vivian Mihailescu, MD – Petition No. 2007-0116-001-010**

Matthew Antonetti, Principal Attorney, Department of Public Health Legal Office, presented a Consent Order in the matter of Vivian Mihailescu, MD. Neither respondent nor her attorney was present.

Dr. Manohar made a motion, seconded by Dr. Fuller, to approve the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. O'Neill signed the Order.

**B. Joel Singer, MD – Petition No. 2005-0104-001-003**

David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health Legal Office, presented a Consent Order in the matter of Joel Singer, MD. Dr. Singer was present with Attorney Mary Alice Moore Leonhardt

Dr. Hanks made a motion, seconded by Dr. Fuller, to approve the Consent Order. The motion passed with all in favor except Dr. Bridburg who abstained. Dr. O'Neill signed the Order.

**C. Motion for Summary Suspension – Jeremy August, MD – Petition No. 2007-0226-001-029**

Roberta Swafford, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health, presented a Motion for Summary Suspension in the matter of Jeremy August, MD. Attorney Richard Tynan was present on behalf of Dr. August. Assistant Attorney General Tanya DeMattia was present to provide counsel to the Board.

Attorney Swafford presented argument supporting the Motion for Summary Suspension.

Attorney Tynan presented argument in opposition to the Summary Suspension.

Dr. Terranova made a motion that, based on the documents presented, there exists a threat to public health and safety which warrants the Summary Suspension of Dr. August's license, therefore, the Department's motion to summarily suspend the physician license of Dr. August should be granted. Dr. Bridburg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. O'Neill signed the Summary Suspension Order.

The hearing panel in this matter will be Dr. Terranova, Dr. Hanks and non-Board panelist Elliott Alter, OD. The hearing is scheduled for May 29, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS cont.**

Charles Jones, MD, – Petition No. 2004-0917-001-221

- a. Respondent's Request for an Independent Hearing Officer and Motion to Disqualify
- b. Respondent's Request for an Independent Hearing Officer and Motion to Dismiss
- c. Respondent's Motion to Dismiss Specific Counts

Assistant Attorney General Tanya DeMattia and Assistant Attorney General Richard Lynch were present to provide counsel to the Board. Attorney Elliott Pollack was present on behalf of Dr. Jones. Attorney David Tilles was present for the Department of Public Health.

Dr. Bridburg made a motion, seconded by Dr. Manohar, to enter executive session to obtain legal advice from the Assistant Attorneys General. The motion passed unanimously. The Board entered executive session from 2:20 p.m. until 2:42 p.m.

Respondent's Request for an Independent Hearing Officer and Motion to Disqualify

Upon advice from the Assistant Attorney General, Dr. O'Neill stated that he would recuse himself in any deliberations or decision making with regard to the current and/or any future matters involving Dr. Jones.

Dr. Terranova made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bridburg, to deny respondent's motion for an independent hearing officer. The motion passed with all in favor. Dr. O'Neill was recused.

Dr. Terranova made a motion, seconded by Dr. Wolf, to deny respondent's request to submit interrogatories to members of the Board. The motion passed with all in favor. Dr. O'Neill was recused.

Dr. Wolf, Ms. Doremus, Dr. Fuller, Dr. Manohar, Ms. Wernick, Dr. Hanks, Dr. Terranova and Dr. Bridburg were polled by Assistant Attorney General DeMattia and stated that they have not read nor were they aware of the journal article referenced in respondent's motion.

Respondent's Request for an Independent Hearing Officer and Motion to Dismiss

Dr. Terranova made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bridburg, to deny respondent's motion for an independent hearing officer to hear respondent's claim that a second Statement of Charges constituted an *ex parte* communication. The motion passed with all in favor. Dr. O'Neill was recused.

Dr. Bridburg made a motion, seconded by Dr. Hanks, to deny respondent's motion to dismiss. The motion passed with all in favor. Dr. O'Neill was recused.

Respondent's Motion to Dismiss Specific Counts

Attorney Pollack addressed the Board regarding this motion.

Dr. Bridburg made a motion, seconded by Dr. Wolf, to deny respondent's motion to dismiss specific counts of the Statement of Charges. The motion passed with all in favor except Dr. Fuller who abstained. Dr. O'Neill was recused.

**VII. TIME EXTENSIONS**

Dr. Terranova moved and Dr. Hanks seconded to approve 120-day extensions in the following cases: The motion passed unanimously.

M. Albin (unlicensed) – Draft Memorandum of Decision being reviewed by the Assistant Attorney General

J. Mershon (unlicensed) – Draft Memorandum of Decision being reviewed by the Assistant Attorney General

C. Jones, MD (2004-0917-001-221) – Hearing scheduled for May 31, 2007.

C. Jones, MD (2006-0111-001-010) – Hearing to begin following the disposition of the above matter.

***VIII. ADJOURNMENT***

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dennis G. O'Neill, MD, Chairman