

**AGENDA
CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD**

**Tuesday, December 16, 2008 at 1:30 PM
Legislative Office Building
Capitol Avenue, Hartford Connecticut
Conference Room 1-A**

CALL TO ORDER

I. MINUTES

Review and approval of the minutes from the November 18, 2008 meeting.

II. UPDATES

A. Chair Updates

B. Information Updates

Department of Public Health

- 2009 Legislative Proposals - Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, DPH

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Ethics Presentation

Stacy Owens, Hearing Officer, Public Health Hearing Office

IV. LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS

A. Mark Hagedorn, MD – Petition No. 2007-1129-001-205

Modification of Consent Order – Stanley Peck, Section Chief, Legal Office, DPH

B. Gene Sankin, MD Petition No. 2008-1106-079-005

Matthew Antonetti, Principal Attorney, Legal Office, DPH

V. 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
November 18, 2008**

The Connecticut Medical Examining Board held a meeting on Tuesday, November 18, 2008 at the Legislative Office Building, Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut in Conference Room 1-A.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Regina Stankaitis, Chairperson
Richard Bridburg, MD
Martin Courneen
Anne Doremus
Michael Erickson
Douglas Fellows, MD
David M. Goldenberg, MD
Robert Green, MD
Steven Hanks, MD
Henry Jacobs, MD
Michael Lindberg, MD
Patricia Loving, PA
Howard Sadinsky, DO
Susan Wernick
C. Steven Wolf, MD

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT None

Ms. Stankaitis called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

I. MINUTES

The draft minutes of the October 21, 2008 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Bridburg made a motion, seconded by Ms. Loving, to approve the minutes. The motion passed.

II. CHAIR UPDATES

The following correspondence/information was received and reviewed:

1. Monthly tracking of pending cases.
2. Hearing assignments.

III. INFORMATION UPDATES

A. Department of Public Health

Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, Department of Public Health Office of Practitioner Licensing and Investigations reported that J. Robert Galvin, MD, Commissioner, DPH has written a commentary regarding delegation to medical assistants. The commentary appears in the November/December 2008 issue of Connecticut Medicine that is published by the Connecticut State Medical Society.

Ms. Filippone stated that DPH proposals for the 2009 legislative session will be forwarded to the Board for review and comment at the December 2008 meeting.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Dr. Wolf made a motion, seconded by Mr. Erickson to enter executive session to confer with Assistant Attorney General Henry Salton regarding the matter of Mary Ellen Albini, Joan Mershon v. Connecticut Medical Examining Board – CV-08-4018329-S

The motion passed unanimously and the Board entered executive session from 1:40 p.m. until 2:10 p.m.

The Board provided Attorney Salton with suggestions regarding a potential resolution in this case. Dr. Bridburg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Erickson, for a voluntary remand of the March 18, 2008 Memorandum of Decision this matter back to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.

Attorney Salton also provided legal advice to the Board regarding a proposed Consent Order in the matter of Ramon Mabassa, MD. No motions were made or votes taken in executive session regarding the proposed Consent Order pertaining to Dr. Mabassa.

V. NEW BUSINESS

Francisco Carbone, MD – Petition No. 2008-1022-001-201 - Petition for License Reinstatement

Dr. Carbone was present with Attorney William Sweeney. Stanley Peck, Section Chief, Legal Office was present on behalf of the Department of Public Health. Assistant Attorney General Daniel Shapiro was present to provide counsel to the Board.

The Board heard comments from Attorney Sweeney in support of Dr. Carbone's petition and from Attorney Peck in opposition.

Dr. Bridburg made a motion, seconded by Ms. Doremus, that Dr. Carbone's petition for relicensure be rejected and that the Department of Public Health's motion to sustain its objection to Dr. Carbone's petition be granted. The motion passed with all in favor except Dr. Jacobs who was opposed and Dr. Lindberg who abstained. Ms. Stankaitis signed the order sustaining the Department's objection.

VI. LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS

A. Ramon Mabassa, MD – Petition No. 2007-0511-001-083

David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Department of Public, presented a Consent Order in the matter of Ramon Mabassa, MD. Attorney Peter Sachner was present on behalf of Dr. Mabassa. The Board heard comments from Attorney Tilles and Attorney Sachner. Dr. Bridburg spoke in opposition to the Consent Order as proposed.

Dr. Goldenberg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Erickson that the Consent Order be approved. The motion passed with all in favor except Dr. Bridburg who was opposed and Dr. Wolf who abstained. Ms. Stankaitis signed the Order.

B. Lorelei Davidson, M.D. - Petition No. 2007-0427-001-074

David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Department of Public, presented a Consent Order in the matter of Lorelei Davidson, M.D. Attorney Patrick Monahan was present with Dr. Davidson.

Dr. Hanks made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bridburg, that the Consent Order be approved. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Stankaitis signed the Order.

C. Motion to Withdraw Statement of Charges subsequent to pre-hearing conference

Dennis Pollock, MD – Petition No. 2006-0719-001-127.

David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health presented a Motion to Withdraw Statement of Charges subsequent to a pre-hearing conference. Neither Dr. Pollock nor his attorney was present.

Dr. Bridburg made a motion, seconded by Dr. Hanks, to grant the Department's motion. The motion passed with all in favor except Dr. Wolf who was recused from voting.

Ms. Stankaitis signed the Order withdrawing the Statement of Charges.

D. Igal Staw, MD – Petition No. 2007-1221-001-223

David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Department of Public, presented a Consent Order in the matter of Igal Staw, MD. Neither Dr. Staw nor his attorney was present.

Dr. Hanks made a motion, seconded by Dr. Wolf, that the Consent Order be approved. The motion passed with all in favor except Dr. Jacobs who abstained. Ms. Stankaitis signed the Order.

E. Motion to Withdraw Statement of Charges

Kenneth Kurz, MD – Petition No. 2003-1216-001-283.

Stanley Peck, Section Chief, Legal Office, Department of Public Health presented a Motion to Withdraw Statement of Charges. This motion is a result of a settlement in the matter of Kenneth Kurz, MD v. Connecticut Medical Examining Board.

Neither Dr. Kurz nor his attorney was present.

Dr. Bridburg made a motion, seconded by Dr. Hanks, to grant the Department's motion. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Stankaitis signed the Order withdrawing the Statement of Charges.

F. Kimberly A. Meyer, PA - Petition No. 2008-1010-023-007

David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Department of Public, presented a Motion for Summary Suspension in the matter of Kimberly A. Meyer, PA. Assistant Attorney General Daniel Shapiro was present to provide counsel to the Board. Ms. Meyer was not present or represented.

Dr. Hanks made a motion, seconded by Dr. Wolf, that based on the documents presented, there exists a threat to public health and safety which warrants the Summary Suspension of Mr. Meyer's license; therefore, the Department's motion to summarily suspend should be granted. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Stankaitis signed the Summary Suspension Order.

The hearing panel in this matter will be Dr. Bridburg, who will chair the panel, Ms. Doremus and Dr. Jacobs. The hearing is scheduled for December 2, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.

G. Hunghcih Lee, MD – Petition No. 2006-1212-001-213

Joelle Newton, Staff Attorney, Department of Public presented a Consent Order in the matter of Hunghcih Lee, MD. Attorney Bernard Gaffney was present on behalf of Dr. Lee. A proposed Consent Order in this matter was reviewed and rejected at the September 16, 2008 meeting.

Dr. Bridburg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Courneen, that the Consent Order be approved. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Stankaitis signed the Order.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Regina Stankaitis, Chairperson