

SC Board of Medical Examiners Respiratory Care Committee Minutes

Respiratory Care Practitioners Committee Meeting
April 12, 2024 10:00 a.m. WebEx Meeting
Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building
110 Centerview Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Meeting Called to Order

The meeting was held in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act by notice emailed to The State newspaper, Associated Press, WIS-TV and all other requesting persons, organizations, or news media. In addition, notice was posted on the Board's website and on the bulletin boards located at both of the main entrances of the Kingstree Building where the Board office is located. The meeting was held via videoconference and the public who wished to attend could email medboard@llr.sc.gov for login instructions.

Committee Members Present:

Laurel Glover, RCP, Chairwoman
Joseph Ariale, RCP
Vinod Jona, MD
Michael Fields, MD
Sonya Bracone, RCP, Secretary
Marissa Clark, RCP
April Sawyer, RCP, Vice Chairwoman

Absent Committee Members:

Rahul Argula, M.D.

S.C. Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation Staff Present:

Candace Parnell, RCP Program Administrative Assistant
Robynn Devine, Program Coordinator I
Jessica Beise, Board Executive
Megan Flannery, Advice Counsel

Also Present

Tina Behles, Court Reporter, Capital City Reporting, LLC.

Minutes Friday, April 12, 2024

Meeting called to order at 10:05 a.m. (Quorum present)

Review and adoption of agenda.

Approval of February 23, 2024 minutes. Motion to approve Marissa Clark, RCP

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Respiratory Care Practitioners with Temporary Licenses applying for Permanent Licensure:

Approval of temporary to permanent licensees. Motion to approve Sonya Bracone, RCP. Second by Joseph Ariale, RCP. Motion carried. Applicants with “yes” answers (5) were addressed and approved individually. A motion was made for the Committee to go into Closed Session to address concerns of Thomas Schillings’ application. A motion so moved to return to open session and grant permanent licensure.

Casey Prifogle and Jennifer Young were excluded from the approval as the Committee has requested an appearance from Ms. Prifogle and has collectively denied Ms. Young’s permanent licensure due to failure to complete the application process. Motion made by Michelle Sawyer, RCP. Second by Marissa Clark, RCP. Motion carried.

The committee briefly discussed acceptable CEUs for Webinars, Seminars, and Workshops. After discussion, transcripts or certificates should be awarded and submitted towards these credits.

Motion to adjourn at 10:48 a.m. Motion carried.

Next meeting: Friday, July 12, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. via WebEx.