

# SC Board of Medical Examiners Respiratory Care Committee Minutes

Respiratory Care Practitioners Committee Meeting  
October 11, 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 the main entrance 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](mailto:medboard@llr.sc.gov) for login instructions.*

### **Committee Members Present:**

Joseph Aiale, RCP  
Michael Fields, MD  
Sonya Bracone, RCP, Secretary  
Rahul Argula, M.D.  
April Sawyer, RCP, Vice Chairwoman

### **Absent Committee Members:**

Laurel Glover, RCP, Chairwoman  
Marissa Clark, RCP  
Vinod Jona, MD

### **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  
Bob Horner, Advice Counsel

### **Also Present**

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

## **Minutes Friday, October 11, 2024**

Meeting called to order at 10:04 a.m. (Quorum present)

Review and adoption of agenda.

Approval of July 12, 2024 minutes. Motion to approve the minutes. Motion seconded; motion carried.

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### **Respiratory Care Practitioners with Temporary Licenses applying for Permanent Licensure:**

Approval of temporary to permanent licensees. Motion to approve all applications with no issues. Motion seconded; motion carried. The applicant with a “yes” answer (1) was addressed individually. Motion to approve the applicant with the “yes” answer. Motion seconded; motion carried.

2025 Committee Meeting Dates were approved collectively.

Jessica Beise stated that the discussion concerning the Respiratory Care Professional in Skilled Nursing Facilities has been moved to the next committee meeting on January 10, 2025 with the Nursing Board and additional stakeholders.

Motion to adjourn at 10:17 a.m. Motion carried.

Next meeting: Friday, January 10, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. via WebEx.