

APPROVED
Virginia Board of Health Professions
Department of Health Professions
FULL BOARD MEETING
May 28, 2015

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 28, 2015 at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, 2nd Floor, Board Room 2, Henrico, VA, 23233

PRESIDING OFFICER: Virginia Van de Water, Ed.D., Chair

MEMBERS PRESENT: James Watkins, D.D.S., Dentistry
Laura Verdun, M.A., CCC-SLP, ASLP
Kevin Doyle, Ed.D., Counseling
J. Paul Welch II, Funeral Directors & Embalmers
Frazier Frantz, M.D., Medicine
Trula Minton, M.S., R.N., Nursing
Helene Clayton-Jeter, O.D., Optometry
Robert Catron, Citizen
Robert Logan III, Ph.D., Citizen
Martha Perry, MS, Citizen
Jacquelyn Tyler, RN, Citizen
James Wells, RPh, Citizen

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Yvonne Haynes, L.C.S.W., Social Work
Allen Jones Jr, Physical Therapy
Ellen Shinaberry, RPh, PharmD, Pharmacy
Amanda Gannon, Long-Term Care Administrators
Vacant-Veterinary Medicine

STAFF PRESENT: Elizabeth A. Carter, Ph.D., Executive Director for the Board
David Brown, D.C., DHP Director
Elaine Yeatts, DHP Senior Policy Analyst
Diane Powers, Director of Communications
Jaime Hoyle, Chief Deputy Director
Sandy Reen, Executive Director Board of Dentistry
Pam Twombly, Deputy Director of Enforcement
Lisa Hahn, Executive Director Funeral Directors and Embalmers
Leslie Knachel, Executive Director Board of Veterinary Medicine
Laura Jackson, Operations Manager

BOARD COUNSEL: Not present

OTHERS PRESENT: Fred Carter, Virginia Mortician Association

QUORUM: With 13 members present a quorum was established.

EMERGENCY EGRESS: Dr. Carter read the Emergency Evacuation route for Board Room 2

AGENDA: No changes or additions were made to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

BOARD MEMBER INTRODUCTION & WELCOME All Board members introduced themselves for the benefit of newly appointed Board members Laura Verdun, ASLP and Kevin Doyle, Counseling.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Meeting minutes from November 6, 2014 were approved by motion of Mr. Catron and properly seconded by Dr. Logan, III. All members were in favor, none opposed.

DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Dr. Brown presented the Directors Report.

Dr. Brown stated the importance of Board members and the role they. Last year the Board of Health Professions had a large turnover of Board members and this year there are six seats that will need to be filled. Dr. Brown spoke with the Secretary of the Commonwealth to address the need to change the *Code of Virginia* to allow for greater continuity by recommending Board of Health Professions Board members terms coincide with their respective licensing board's terms.

Dr. Brown reported that Catherine Chappell resigned her position as Executive Director of the Board of Counseling, Board of Psychology and Board of Social Work. He noted that these boards are in the good hands of Chief Deputy Director Jaime Hoyle, who is serving until a new Executive Director is hired.

Dr. Brown noted that the Citizen Advocacy Center (CAC) is conducting an independent internal audit of the structure and function of the Department's Health Practitioner Monitoring Program (HPMP). Preliminary information has been received and is good, but there are areas that need consideration to be detailed in the final report.

DHP and PMP are leaders in the Governor's Task Force on

Prescription Drug and Heroin Abuse. The Board of Medicine is financing a website on behalf of the Task Force for consumers and professionals.

LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY UPDATE:

Ms. Yeatts provided handouts regarding the Departments regulatory actions, stating that DHP has 39 regulations in process along with several pieces of legislation.

ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT:

Ms. Lemon provided a comprehensive presentation on the DHP Enforcement Division.

HEALTH PRACTITIONER MONITORING PROGRAM (HPMP):

Ms. Wood provided an in depth orientation of the Health Practitioner Monitoring Program.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Board Budget

Dr. Carter reported that the Board is working well within the budget.

Amend Bylaws

The Board approved the amended Bylaws. Motion to proceed with amended Bylaws was made by Dr. Frantz and properly seconded by Dr. Logan. All members were in favor, none opposed.

Regulatory Research Committee Update

Dental Hygienist Scope of Practice Update-Dr. Carter, Dr. Van de Water, and Dr. Watkins with Board of Health Professions were present at a forum that was held by the Board of Dentistry May 8, 2015. The Committee awaits further action pending Board of Dentistry comment at its June 12, 2015 meeting.

Funeral Multi-Level Licensure

A public hearing was held today, May 28, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. to receive public comment on the proposed funeral counselor license. Public comment is open until June 30, 2015. The Committee will review the findings and make a recommendation to the Full Board at the August 6, 2015 meeting.

Military Credentialing & NGA Grant

Dr. Carter provided the Board with an overview of the Military Credentialing Review's progress. Virginia's participation in the National Governors' Association Veterans' Licensure and Certification Demonstration Policy Academy's focused on the need for identifying data to describe and track veterans status, service, rank, military occupational specialty, level of

education, gender and date of discharge. Virginia also acknowledged the acceptability of a medic-to-LPN bridge curriculum developed based upon a National Council of State Boards of Nursing cross-walk and gap analysis comparing service branch programs of instruction for relevant occupations with standardized LPN/LVN educational requirements. The NGA will provide Virginia with a final report prior to submitting it to the Department of Defense.

HWDC-Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Justin Crow, Deputy Executive Director for the Board and Deputy Executive Director for the DHP HWDC has accepted a job offer from the Virginia Department of Health (VDH), Office of Minority Health and Health Equity. An ongoing collegial relationship will be maintained.

The HWDC is being tapped to help with establishing statistical models of health workforce supply and demand.

BOARD REPORTS

Board of Optometry

Dr. Clayton-Jeter stated that the Virginia Board of Optometry is working on regulating how CME are obtained, the types of courses that qualify, and if obtaining CME will change from one year to two years.

Board of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology

Ms. Verdun stated that the Board has implemented HB373, which identified the Board as the single licensing entity for speech-language pathologists.

Board of Psychology

Dr. Van de Water stated that the Board of Psychology is addressing concerns with confidentiality within the profession. The concerns include privacy, state jurisdiction and confidentiality of messages overheard.

Board of Counseling

Mr. Doyle stated that there is a lack of standardization and conformity in the licensing of individuals in the Counseling professions. He stated that should the Board seek changes, it would likely take seven (7) years for them to be fully implemented.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board of Dentistry has requested the Board of Health Professions to evaluate the need for coordination among the health regulatory boards within DHP regarding ensuring the veracity of patient health records created and maintained

electronically. This will be further discussed at the August 6, 2015 meeting.

Dr. Carter and Neal Kauder, President of VisualResearch have co-authored an article entitled “Implementing a Data-Based Sanctioning Reference System for the Virginia Board of Nursing” which is to be submitted for publication in the *Journal of Nursing Regulation*. The article has been reviewed by Board of Nursing staff.

Ms. Perry asked if DHP Boards could collaborate on telehealth as a group, versus by individual profession. Dr. Brown noted that this would be a good project for a summer intern.

ADJOURNMENT

With no additional information to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 1:51 p.m.

Virginia Van de Water, Ed.D.
Board Chair

Elizabeth A. Carter, Ph.D.
Executive Director for the Board