

UNAPPROVED DRAFT
VIRGINIA BOARD OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS
REGULATORY RESEARCH COMMITTEE
MINUTES
JULY 15, 2004

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting was called to order at 10:08 a.m., on Thursday, July 15, 2004, in Conference Room 1 at the Department of Health Professions, 6603 W. Broad St., Richmond, VA

PRESIDING OFFICER: Mary Smith

MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael W. Ridenhour, Au.D.
David Hettler, O.D.

OTHER BHP BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: John Wise, DVM
Alan Mayer
David Boehm, LSCW

STAFF PRESENT: Robert Nebiker – Director, Dept. of Health Professions
Elizabeth A. Carter, Ph.D. - Executive Director for the Board
Terri H. Behr - Administrative Assistant
Andrea Christian, Enforcement

OTHERS PRESENT: Mary Eldridge, Va. Dept. of Social Services
Beverley Soble, Va. Health Care Association
Jean Baldwin, VMHA

QUORUM: With three members of the Committee present, a quorum was established.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment was presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: On properly seconded motion by Dr. Ridenhour, the Committee voted to approve the minutes as presented.

STUDY ON ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES: Dr. Carter provided some background information on how the study came about and presented the criteria for conducting sunrise studies. She gave a preliminary overview and report on how assisted living is defined and governed in Virginia and in other states, as well as the problem issues revealed through reports from federal studies and media exposés. (see Attachment #1). She reviewed the draft workplan for the study with the Committee (see Attachment #2). The Board

Chair directed that the workplan be amended to add a review of effects on other state agencies functions as they relate to assisted living.

On properly seconded motion by Dr. Hettler, the workplan was amended to include a review of the impact of regulating assisted living directors on the activities of other relevant state agencies.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON
DIALYSIS PATIENT-CARE
TECHNICIAN REGULATORY
PROPOSAL**

At 11:10 a.m., the Committee opened the floor for public comment. No one spoke and no written comment had been submitted.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

There being no further business the Committee adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Mary Smith, Chair

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