

Minutes of the September 23, 2024, Board of Respiratory Care Practice

1. ROLL CALL

Marcy Wyrens, Chair called the meeting of the Board of Respiratory Care Practice to order at 10:16 a.m. on September 23, 2024, in the Otoe Conference Room at the Nebraska State Office Building located at 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. In accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-1411 of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, copies of the agenda were e-mailed to the Board members and other interested parties, posted on the DHHS website at <https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Agendas-and-Minutes.aspx>, and posted in the Licensure Unit on September 13, 2024.

Wyrens announced that this is an open meeting, and the Open Meetings Act is posted.

MEMBERS PRESENT: The following members answered roll call:

Marcy Wyrens, Chair (via Webex)
Rene Botts, Vice-Chair (via Webex)
Ryan Martin MD, Secretary (via Webex)

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jill Sand, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Claire Covert-ByBee, DHHS Program Manager
Kim Hitzel, DHHS Health Licensing Coordinator
Jeff Newman, DHHS Investigations
Abby Hoy-Nissen, Assistant Attorney General (via Webex)
Suzanna Glover-Ettrich, DHHS Legal- Hearing Officer (via Webex)

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Martin moved, seconded by Botts, to adopt the agenda. Voting aye: Wyrens, Martin, and Botts. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

3. INVESTIGATIONAL & CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION/REPORTS – CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Botts moved, seconded by Martin to move into closed session.

Purpose: To hear discussions regarding confidential information and to protect the reputation of individuals named or referenced in such discussions.

Voting aye: Botts, Wyrens, and Martin. Voting nay, None. Motion Carried. Board went into closed session at 10:19 am.

5. BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS ON APPLICATIONS – OPEN SESSION

The Board returned to open session at 10:37 am.

Motion:

In the matter of the application for Respiratory Care Practitioner for Jason Grant, Botts moved; Martin seconded to recommend issuing a license. Voting aye: Martin, Botts, Wyrens. Voting Nay: none. Motion carried.

14. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:38 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan Martin, MD