

Minutes of the October 21, 2019 Board of Respiratory Care Conference Call Meeting

1. ROLL CALL

Jill Sand, Chairperson, called the conference call meeting of the Board of Respiratory Care to order at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, October 21, 2019 in the Lower Level, Conference Room B at the Nebraska State Office Building located at 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. The meeting was duly publicized by distribution of the Notice of Meeting and Agenda prior to the meeting and posting the agenda at the entrance of the Department of Health and Human Services Division of Public Health at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting.

Sand announced that this is a public meeting and the Open Meetings Law is posted.

Members Present: The following members answered roll call:

Jill Sand, Chair

Joseph Rush, Vice-Chair

Dr. William Johnson, Secretary (via telephone)

Dr. Adam Case, Member (via telephone)

Others Present:

Ami Huff, Assistant Attorney General

Suzanna Glover-Ettrich, DHHS Staff Attorney

Mark Meyerson, Investigator

Claire Covert-ByBee, Program Manager

Antonio Carranza, Health Licensing Coordinator

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Johnson moved, seconded by Sand to adopt the agenda. Voting aye: Case, Johnson, Rush and Sand. Voting nay: None. Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 3, 2019 MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: Rush moved, seconded by Sand to approve the minutes from the September 3, 2019 meeting. Voting aye: Case, Johnson, Rush and Sand. Voting nay: None. Motion carried.

4. INVESTIGATIONAL & CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION/REPORTS – CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Rush moved, seconded by Sand to go into closed session at 2:02 p.m. to hear discussions regarding confidential information and to protect the reputation of individuals named or referenced in such discussions. Voting aye: Case, Johnson, Rush and Sand. Voting nay: None. Motion carried.

5. BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS – OPEN SESSION

MOTION: Rush moved, seconded by Johnson to return to open session at 2:12 p.m. Voting aye: Case, Johnson, Rush and Sand. Voting nay: None. Motion carried.

There were no recommendations.

6. REAFFIRMATION OF MAIL BALLOT

The Board reaffirmed the mail ballot to recommend approval of the initial licensure application for John Van Cleave. Case, Johnson and Rush voted to recommend approval of the application. The recommendation was approved with three votes.

7. DISCUSSION AND RESPONSE TO COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC HEARING

There were no comments made at the public hearing held on October 8, 2019 or submitted to the department regarding revisions to 172 NAC 162.

8. ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS

Covert-ByBee explained the next steps, after the board adopts the regulations they will be submitted to the Board of Health, once approved they will then go to the Chief Medical Officer for approval, then the Attorney General's office, the Governor's office, and lastly will go to the Secretary of State's office for final approval.

MOTION: Rush moved, seconded by Sand to adopt 172 NAC 162 as written. Voting aye: Case, Johnson, Rush and Sand. Voting nay: None. Motion carried.

9. TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING

Suggested topics for the next meeting include a legislative update, research on RRT for entry into the profession and potential introduction of a new board member.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. William Johnson, Secretary