## West Virginia Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners

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## **BOARD MEETING**

## JUNE 18, 2002

MEMBERS PRESENT Alice Belmont, Chairperson

Susan Bellomy, Secretary W. Alva Deardorff, M.D.

Jeffrey C. Dameron, M.D. Judith S. Schreiman, M.D.

Mark S. Wilcox

MEMBERS EXCUSED

**STAFF** Mary Casto Jeanne Morris

Glora Crouch

Larry Heck

Grady Bowyer

Carol Blosser

**GUESTS** 

Dennis Roebuck WVSRT Rep.

The meeting was called to order by Alice Belmont, Chairperson at 6:00 PM Minutes were approved as circulated. Dr. Schreiman made motion that the minutes be accepted as written. Mark Wilcox seconded.

Financial Report was given by Mary Casto. Dr. Schreiman asked why vehicle maintenance was so high. The Executive Director, Grady Bowyer explained that he had to have quite a bit of work done on the state car. She also asked about our account balance and Mr. Bowyer explained that we purposely put more into the budget than necessary so that we would not have to return revenue that was twice the amount of our balance to the general fund. Dr. Deardorff said he thought the money we had that was more than was needed be given back to the technologists. Mr. Bowyer said that we would have to change rules to change fee amounts. Dr. Schreiman motioned that financial reports be accepted and Ms. Bellomy seconded.

Legislative Concerns: Our rules have passed and are waiting for the Governor's signature. Further rule changes has to be submitted by 7/26/02. These changes would be that there would be no 30 day grace period before a reinstatement fee would be added to the renewal fee. This would change to, if an application which, for example, expired on June 30 was not postmarked by that date, the technologists would have to pay the \$15.00 reinstatement fee. The other change in the rules would be to charge a returned check fee of \$15.00. This would be added to our list of fees already in the rules. Mr. Bowyer asked the Board if he should go ahead and get this in the rules before July 26, 2002. Dr. Schreiman made a motion to this effect and Dr. Dameron seconded. Mr. Bowyer will file the changes the week of the 24th of June, 2002

Podiatry: If Podiatrists open our Code to allow podiatry assistants to be exempt from having to be licensed by the Board, someone must be aware of what is happening in the legislature the next session to block this proposal.

Complaints: Physician using unlicensed individuals to administer x-rays. Letter written to physician to respond to this complaint. He sent the Board a letter stating that only he administers x-rays. Case Closed.

Clinic using unlicensed individuals to do fluoroscopic procedures. We mailed a letter asking the physician to respond to this complaint. The physician sent a letter in response but was not clear as to who did the procedure. He was contacted by phone and advised as to what we needed to know and another letter was received from him explaining the step by step procedures used in administering the x-ray and that he did have a licensed radiologic technology who operated the machine. Dr. Schreiman moved to accept the complaint information, Dr. Dameron seconded.

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Mr. Bowyer inspected 29l licenses since the last board meeting in March. There were some improper posting, some not being posted at all and some expired. All of these were corrected.

School Inspections: Bluefield State -8 years accreditation, Ohio Valley Medical Center-Pending for ARRT decision, Southern West Virginia Community College- 8 years accreditation, United Hospital Center- reduced from 8 years to 5 years because of paper work not being submitted on time, University of Charleston - 5 years since they did not have data for a 4 year program. Mr. Bowyer felt that this was a good accreditation.

As far as the length of a program, Mr. Bowyer suggested that it be set in rules that we would accept whatever the accrediting body determines. He asked if we should put this in rules. Dr. Schreiman moved to do so. Dr. Dameron seconded.

Mr. Bowyer had delivered a copy of our rules and an application form to the students graduating this year. It was noted that the students were indeed submitting this application form for a temporary license.

Mr. Bowyer also brought up that we did not have the Radiation Therapy Program at WVU University on our list of schools. He has added it to this list and on our web site.

A new program is being set up at Mountain State University in Beckley hoping to begin enrolling students in the Fall. They have a director now and wish to use all HCA Hospitals as clinical centers. They will have to be approved by the JRCERT before they can begin. Raleigh General Hospital has already consented to be one of the clinical centers.

Clear Conference: Mr. Bowyer wanted the Board's opinion on whether or not to attend the seminar and training session or just the training session. Since he already has attended the beginning training which has been very helpful for the board members who have attended this in the past, Mr. Wilcox felt both the advanced training and conference would be helpful. Dr. Schreiman moved that Mr. Bowyer attend both the conference and training session. Mr. Wilcox seconded.

A complaint has been filed against a technologist, which has also been submitted to ARRT. Our attorney was suppose to give her opinion on how we should progress on this complaint. At this time the Board went into executive session. After coming out of the executive session it was decided that we follow through on the investigation of this complaint and what action should be taken. Mr. Bowyer will contact the attorney for her opinion on how to follow through with this. He will contact her the day after the board meeting.

Ms. Belmont evaluated Mr. Bowyer's performance as Executive Director and recommended the Board give him a 4% raise Ms. Bellomy made a motion for the raise beginning July 1, 2002. Board agreed.

Election of officers: Susan Bellomy nominated Alice Belmont, Alice Belmont nominated Mark Wilcox. A vote was taken and Ms. Belmont was elected as chairperson. Ms. Bellomy made motion that nominations be closed. Dr. Deardorff seconded. Mr. Wilcox made motion that Ms. Bellomy be nominated as secretary, Ms. Bellomy accepted and Dr. Schreiman seconded.

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Other Business: Mr. Bowyer stated that the Governor needs to do appointments and re-appointments of Board Members. We need two lay persons-Jeanne Morris will accept re-appointment. We will ask the Governor to replace Larry Heck with another lay person. Dr. Deardorff declined to accept re-appointment. Mark Wilcox suggested Shawn Reesman, Raleigh General Hospital to replace Dr. Deardorff. He will contact Dr. Reesman to see if he would be willing to accept appointment. Mark Wilcox agreed to reappointment.

Dr. Schreiman asked if we could hold the September Board Meeting at Flatwoods so that she and Ms. Belmont would not have to drive a long distance. The Board agreed.

Meeting adjourned 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Casto