WEST VIRGINIA RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY BOARD OF EXAMINERS

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> MINUTES APRIL 28, 1998 5:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Grady Bowyer, Chairman Susan Bellomy Deborah Smith Mark Wilcox W. Alva Deardorff M.D.

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

Gary Marano, M.D. Patrick Olivero, M.D.

GUEST:

Mary Casto, Exe. Sec.
Eva Hallis
Mary Holder
Denise Smith
Dennis Roebuck
Olivia Klee
Jeff Boone
Barry Koerber

Alice Belmont - Past Board member

The meeting of the West Virginia Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners was held at the Radiologic Board of Health in Charleston, WV on April 28, 1998. The meeting came to order at 5:05 p.m.

TOPIC

Introductions

DISCUSSION

The Board welcomed, new board member, Susan Bellomy. Susan was appointed by the Governor as a replacement for Alice Belmont. Susan is from the Huntington area and is employed by St. Mary's Hospital. Many other guest were present: Dennis Roebuck, President of West Virginia Society of Radiologic Technologists (WVSRT), Mary Holder, Chairman of WVSRT, Eva Hallis and Denise Smith WVSRT Board of Examiner representatives. Jeff Boone, concerned Radiation Therapist. Olivia Klee, CASRT.

Financial Report	Mary Casto reviewed the 1997 annual and year-to date financial statements. The report was accepted as written. The balance of \$7,123.60 will cover operational expenses. Board discussed the need to cover cost of sending everyone a letter about the legislative changes. It was the boards decision to mail in several increments. Board members volunteered to help with the mailing and folding of letters. Letters to the membership will start by end of May. Active licensees will be mailed a letter first. Then at a later date the inactive will be mailed a letter. Mary has sent a letter to those who are grandfathered, explaining the new continuing education requirements.
Lay Members	The passage of Senate Bill 358 requires each board of examiners to have lay members. Grady has spoke to the Governor's assistants about two appointments.
Reappointments	Deborah Smith will notify Grady of her reappointment.
Complaints	Complaint 01-98 Barry from the Attorney General's Office will draft a letter in response with interpretation of law to the Physician's attorney. Disciplinary committee will review letter.
Committee Appointments	Susan Bellomy will assume duties on the disciplinary committee. Deborah Smith will be interim secretary.
Dissemination of Information	Grady will call the Board of Medicine and discuss best way to distribute information to the physicians in the state of West Virginia concerning roles of radiologic technologist
Bone Densitometrist	Deborah Smith discussed the need for mobile services entering West Virginia to have proper credentials. The law allows for 10 days total in one year allowance. Enforcement records are needed to validate tota days of activity in the state.
Attendance	With the passage of the new Rules and Regulations it is imperative for members of the board to be available for meetings to conduct the business of the Board.

Guest comments	Jeff Boone, Radiation Therapist, expressed concerns about the lack of communication to individuals about the legislative changes. Jeff thanked the Board for their effort. Dennis Roebuck, President of WVSRT, offered assistance to the Board in the process of efforts. Both Deborah Smith and Mark Wilcox, expressed concerns about using the WVSRT as a voice for the Board of Examiners. Both has received numerous concerns, from other licensees who are not members of the WVSRT, that the Board of Examiners not use the WVSRT as the means of communication to the 3000 radiologic technologist is the state. The Board of Examiners is not the professional voice of the Radiologic Technologist, but placed by the Governor to protect the public. Playing the roles of professional voice and protection of the public can be a conflict of interest. Eva Hallis thanked the Board for all of their efforts to protect the licensure law in West Virginia.
Other Business	The ASRT had published that WV has limited licensure. This is a mistake and a call will be made to DuVonne Campbell, ASRT Government Relations to discuss correction. Discussed concerns of Technical Assistants and dental hygienist and assistants being exempt from the law.
Copies of Rules and Regulations	Copies of the Rules and Regulations must be obtained for the capitol.
Approval of Minutes	Minutes of the November 19, 1997 meeting were distribute. Minutes were approved as distributed.
Next meeting	The next board meeting will be in June, 1998. Mary Casto will notify members of date and location.
Adjournment	There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 6:40 p.m.
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