

**North Dakota Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Board
November 27, 2018
Special Board Meeting
Conference Call
Minutes**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Shirley Porter, at 12:00 pm.

Present

Board Members – Shirley Porter, Dr. Ted Fogarty, Kathleen Jalbert, Tara Wagner, Cynthia Milkey, and Donna Newman.

Others - Jacinda Simmons, Board Staff; Allyson Hicks, Legal Counsel.

{Brent Colby, Dr. Roxanne Keene, and Mary Rennich absent}

Introduction of New Legal Counsel

Allyson Hicks has replaced Edward Erickson now that he is retired.

Minutes

8/9/2018 - A motion was made to approve the minutes. (Milkey/Dr. Fogarty/carried) [Colby, Dr. Keene, Newman, and Rennich absent] [Roll Call Vote – Porter (y), Dr. Fogarty (y), Jalbert (y), Milkey (y), Wagner (y)] **[Bd. Office]**

{Newman present}

LXMO and BD Technologist Transition from DoH

License Procedures for LXMOs and BD Technologists: Fees and CHRC – The Board does not have the authority to waive the fees for those applying for the one-year initial license.

A motion was made to have LXMOs and BD Technologists be issued a one-year license with the fee stated in the Administrative Rules and then be on the same renewal cycle as current licensees with full renewal fees as stated in the Administrative Rules. (Newman/Dr. Fogarty/carried) [Colby, Dr. Keene, and Rennich absent] [Roll Call Vote – Porter (y), Dr. Fogarty (y), Jalbert (y), Milkey (y), Newman (y), Wagner (y)] **[Bd. Office]**

A motion was made to grandfather LXMOs and BD Technologists in current practice or in clinicals with a letter from immediate supervisor showing practice before 12/31/2018 and to honor waiver of CHRC, ARRT exam, and the academic and clinical requirements. (Milkey/Newman/carried) [Colby, Dr. Keene, and Rennich absent] [Roll Call Vote – Porter (y), Dr. Fogarty (y), Jalbert (y), Milkey (y), Newman (y), Wagner (y)] **[Bd. Office]**

All new LXMOs and BD Technologists applying after 1/1/2019 must follow the current Administrative Rules and requirements. Anyone practicing before 12/31/2018 who does not apply until after 1/1/2019, will still be honored under the grandfathering provision until 1/31/2019, and then only on an individual basis. The Board does not have the authority to charge late fees if they do not apply by 1/1/2019.

A motion was made that all those practicing before 12/31/2018 must be licensed by 1/31/2019 or the Board may take disciplinary action. (Newman/Milkey/carried) [Colby, Dr. Keene, and

Rennich absent] [Roll Call Vote – Porter (y), Dr. Fogarty (y), Jalbert (y), Milkey (y), Newman (y), Wagner (y)]
[Bd. Office]

Board-approved Academic Programs – The only program currently approved by the Dept. of Health is Riverstone Health program in Montana. Their next course begins in March with an increase from 104 hours to 120 hours with an increase in education of pediatric x-rays.

Dakota County Technical Program is in Minnesota and they require 120 hours with no clinical requirements. A program at MSCTC is currently being designed and will need to have Board-approval.

A motion was made to recognize Riverstone Health Program and Dakota County Technical Program as Board-approved programs. (Milkey/Wagner/carried) [Colby, Dr. Keene, and Rennich absent] [Roll Call Vote – Porter (y), Dr. Fogarty (y), Jalbert (y), Milkey (y), Newman (y), Wagner (y)]

The clinical exam requirements have more simulations than the Dept. of Health required. Students have 3 months to complete the requirements of the conditional license.

Continuing Education - A motion was made that the LXMO and BD Technologists will follow the same continuing education cycle as other licensees. (Newman/Dr. Fogarty/carried) [Colby, Dr. Keene, and Rennich absent] [Roll Call Vote – Porter (y), Dr. Fogarty (y), Jalbert (y), Milkey (y), Newman (y), Wagner (y)]
[Bd. Office]

Proximal 50 Update

Their screening program has been denied by the Dept. of Health. They have purchased the DEXA machine but does not have an approved program to use or an individual licensed with this Board to operate the machine. The Dept. of Health denies the screening program because the test must be ordered by a medical doctor. The owner has a PhD in Physical Therapy but is not a medical doctor and cannot interpret scans. They are willing to contract with an online and out-of-state company, but the Board questions if they are licensed in North Dakota.

{Newman and Milkey absent – no quorum}

Fluoroscopy Tech Update

This only affects four individuals with three of them being licensed as radiologist assistants with the Board and one is a radiographer, who may not be practicing. The ND Board of Medicine will not open their law to move licensees to this Board. The Board of Medicine has not had any new applicants for fluoroscopy in several years. They plan to phase out the fluoroscopy tech and recommend they get licensed with this Board as a radiologist assistant.

2019 Legislative Session Update

The only bill the Board has in the session is the Technical Corrections Act. When the Administrative Rules were created, the code revisor use x-ray operator instead of limited x-ray operator. Hicks will monitor the session for the Board.

2019 Meeting Dates

The Board will have regular meeting dates on 2/7/2019 and 9/12/2019.

Adjourn

1:28 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Porter
President

Jacinda Simmons
Administrative Assistant