

WV BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE  
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CHARLESTON, WV 25311

BOARD MEETING MINUTES – DECEMBER 18, 2018

Presiding: Eric Hawkins, Vice President  
Present: Barbara Folden, Regina Gillispie, Len Picha, William Boring  
Guests: Serena Burdette, Dean Dickens  
Absent: Tracy Matthews, Dr. Ihle  
Recording: Nancy Massey

Proposed Agenda

Regina Gillispie motioned to approve the agenda. Barbara Folden seconded. Motion carried - unanimous.

Board Minutes:

Regina Gillispie motioned to approve the July 17, 2018 minutes. Len Picha seconded. Motion carried – unanimous.

RRT Minimum Requirement for Licensure:

Serena Burdette and Dean Dickens made an appeal to the board to consider making the NBRC's Registered Respiratory Therapist Examination the minimum requirement for licensure in West Virginia. Discussion ensued concerning information that several states have already moved in this direction with more in the process. Soon, COARC will only be accrediting educational programs which instruct to the Registry Examination. All programs accredited by this board instruct to the Registry Examination, but this board still licenses the certification level. The board agrees that West Virginia should move in this direction but feels the need to gather more information and continue discussion on the feasibility.

Executive Session

Len Picha motioned to go into executive session to discuss disciplinary issues. Barbara Folden seconded. Motion Carried – unanimous.

Regular Session

Barbara Folden motioned to return to regular session. Regina Gillispie seconded. Motion carried – unanimous.

17-919 Jonathan Neal

Mr. Neal appealed to the board to be allowed to apply for reinstatement in consideration to his non-practicing months before his suspension was rendered by the board. Regina Gillispie motioned the Board to deny his request and reiterated that he must complete his suspension before re-applying for licensure. Len Picha seconded. Motion carried – unanimous.

Upcoming Meetings

WVSRC Winter Conference; February 2019 – Eric Hawkins, Regina Gillispie  
Barbara Folden motioned approval of board representation to the above meetings.  
Len Picha seconded. Motion Carried – Unanimous

Meeting Review

NBRC Liaison Meeting MO – Tracy Matthews (tabled to next meeting)  
AARC Congress NV – Len Picha presented review  
WVSRC Fall Conference, Parkersburg – Eric Hawkins presented review  
WV Auditor's Office Licensing Board Seminar – Nancy Massey presented review

Administrative Review

- P-Card purchases were presented to the board for approval. Bill Boring motioned for approval and Len Picha seconded. Motion carried – Unanimous
- YTD Budget/Revenue was presented and copied to the board.
- FY20 Request for Appropriations were copied to the board.
- 2019 License Renewal Review

Adjourn – Len Picha, Barbara Folden

Recording,

Nancy J. Massey,  
Executive Secretary