



Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners
Special Teleconference Meeting
Tuesday, October 13, 2014

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A Special Meeting of the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners was called to order at 6:07 p.m. in the Iris Room, Ground Floor, Metro Center Complex, 665 Mainstream Drive, Nashville, Tennessee 37243 by Dr. Zanolli, Board President.

Board members present: Michael Zanolli, MD
Subhi Ali, MD
Dennis Higdon, MD
Michael Baron, MD
Reeves Johnson, MD
C. Allen Musil, MD
Keith Lovelady, MD

Board member(s) absent: Neal Beckford, MD
Jeff Lawrence, MD
Pat Eller, Consumer Member
Barbara Outhier, Consumer Member
Nina Yeiser, Consumer Member

Staff present: Maegan Carr Martin, Executive Director
Andrea Huddleston, Deputy General Counsel

Vatterott staff present: Brandon Shedron, Chief Academic Officer
Megan Wilson, Senior Associate Counsel of Regulatory Affairs
Jake Bower, Senior Academic Analyst

The necessary number of Board members joined the teleconference and a quorum was established. Board of Medical Examiners Chair, Michael Zanolli, MD, called the meeting to order.

Ms. Martin made opening remarks to the Board and provided an overview of the requirements for a special meeting by teleconference. All of the requirements were satisfied. A discussion of Vatterott Career College's application to become an approved X-Ray course commenced.

Dr. Ali began the discussion by asking whether Vatterott Career College (VCC) sought approval to offer every course listed in the course description document provided, including those courses that do not yet have faculty assigned to them. Mr. Shedron responded that VCC will be offering those courses. Dr.

Johnson noted that skull was not listed in the course description provided and inquired whether VCC was equating skull with sinuses. Mr. Bower acknowledged that the document could be made clearer. Dr. Ali asked when they would receive confirmation from the school that the listed courses would be available for enrollment. Mr. Shedron replied that they are finalizing the build-out, and also that construction was recently completed and if approved, VCC anticipates offering classes and beginning classes with enrollment starting as soon as possible after November 17, 2014.

After further discussion, the Board determined that supplemental information would likely be required before a final decision could be made. Specifically, Dr. Ali sought the identity and credentials of all instructors that would be teaching courses. The Board also requested that VCC provide a course breakdown of the actual lecture and lab/clinical hours rather than just the quarter hours.

Ms. Martin clarified that this application was submitted to and is thus only being considered by the Board of Medical Examiners. If Vatterott seeks to have their program considered for approval as a DO X-Ray Course, a separate application will have to be prepared for and submitted to the Board of Osteopathic Examination.

Dr. Higdon made a motion to delay the approval of Vatterott until supplemental information is provided. Dr. Lovelady seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:49 p.m.