

**Tennessee Medical Laboratory Board
Personnel and Education Committee
October 14, 2015
Minutes**

Date: October 14, 2015

Time: 1:00 PM CDT

Location: Department of Health Licensure and Regulation
TN Department of Health
Metro Center Complex, Iris Room, Ground Floor
665 Mainstream Drive,
Nashville, TN 37243

Members Present: Kathleen Kenwright, Medical Technologist Educator,
Chairperson
Cheryl Arnott, S.A. Cytotechnologist
Tereyo M. Cox, Medical Technologist General
Stephanie Dolsen, Lab Supervisor
Patti J. Walton, Hospital/Lab Manager/Adm. Director
Michael Johnson, Medical Technologist
Mark Calarco, DO, Independent Laboratory Mgmt./Adm.

Members Absent: Royce Joyner, MD, Pathologist Educator

Staff Present: Lynda S. England, Medical Technologist Consultant,
Director
Devin Wells, Deputy General Counsel, Office of General
Counsel

Staff Absent:

Presiding Officer: The meeting was conducted by Kathleen Kenwright,
Chairperson

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:02 PM CDT

Introductions: The Board and staff made their introductions to the public
in attendance.

Proceedings and Actions Taken:

Review Correspondence: Personnel Issues:

**Review Initial Applications and/or interview applicants to determine eligibility
or remediation:**

1. **Holly D. Stewart**
Chattanooga, TN
37145 **Application:** Medical Technologist
Degree: BS Tennessee Technological University-
Cookeville, TN (2011)

Training Program: Vanderbilt University Medical Center Nashville, TN (2015) Medical Technology

Certification: Registered via ASCP as MLS. (2015)

File Status: All qualifying documents are present in the file

Appearance: Ms. Stewart appeared before the P&E Committee as a result of the Board's CC policy item #2.

Motion to approve license: Ms. Dolsen

Second: Ms. Arnott

License Approved.

2. James R. Perry
Gallatin, TN 37066

Application: Medical Laboratory Technologist

Degree: BS TN State University-Nashville, TN (2013).

Training Program: Vanderbilt University Medical Center Nashville, TN (2015) Medical Technology

Certification: Registered via ASCP as MLS (12015)

File Status: All qualifying documents are present in the file.

Appearance: Mr. Perry appeared before the P&E Committee, as a result of the Board's CC policy item #2.

Motion to approve: Ms. Dolsen

Second: Ms. Arnott

License: Approved

3. Michael D. Massey
Anchorage, AK
99501

Application: Medical Laboratory Technologist

Degree: AAS University of Alaska-Anchorage, AK (2014)

Training Program: School of Allied Health-Anchorage, AK (2014)

Certification: Registered via ASCP (2014) MLT

File Status: All qualifying documents are present in the file.

Appearance: Mr. Massey appeared before the P&E Committee as a result of the Board's CC policy Item #4.

Motion to approve: Ms. Dolsen
Motion Failed for lack of second:

Rediscussion:

Motion: Ms. Dolsen

Second: Ms. Arnott

Vote: Affirmative: Ms. Kenwright; Ms. Dolsen; Mr. Johnson, Ms. Arnott

Abstained: Dr. Calarco, Ms. Walton, Ms. Cox

License: Approved

Note: Personnel & Education Committee reconvened at 1:40 pm CDT 10/15/2015 to review Mr. Massey's file. (Mr. Massey was not present during the regular Committee meeting on 10/14/2015 because of a schedule error)

The Committee adjourned at 2:18 pm 10/15/2015.

Board reconvened at 2:20 pm CDT to ratify the Personnel & Education Committee's previous actions to ratify Mr. Massey's license approval.

Motion to approve committee actions: Ms. Walton
Second: Mr. Johnson.

Motion to adjourn this short session: Ms. Kenwright with a second by Dr. Calarco. The board meeting adjourned at 2:20 pm CDT.

4. Resmi Lemoy
Cleveland, TN
37312

Application: Medical Laboratory Technologist

Degree: BS Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences-India (1999) MS University of Calcut-Kevala-India (2004)

Equivalence: BS & MS via WES

Certification: Registered via ASCP MLS (2009)

File Status: All qualifying documents are present in the file.

Appearance: Ms. Lemoy was trained in the profession outside the U.S.

Motion to approve: Ms. Arnott

Second: Ms. Dolsen

License: Approved

Reinstatement Applications:

Nothing to present

Reactivate Retired Applications:

Nothing to present

Review Consultant Approval and Ratification of Personnel Applications:*

New Licenses and Temporary Licenses (Attachments 1 & 2)

The Committee reviewed the Consultant approved list of initial and temporary licenses from July 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015

Reinstatements (Attachment 3)

The Committee reviewed the Consultant approved list of reinstated licenses from July 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015

Closed Files (Attachment 4)

The Committee reviewed the Consultant approved list of closed files from July 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015

Retired Files (Attachment 5)

The Committee reviewed the Consultant approved list of retired licenses from July 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015

Training Permits (Attachment 6)

The Committee reviewed the Consultant approved list of training permits from July 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015

*All licenses ratified with motion.

Motion: Ms. Arnott

Second: Ms. Walton

Ratified: Initial Actions of Consultants

Review Correspondence: Personnel and Educational Issues:

1. **Fortis Institute
Cookeville, TN
38501
Program Director
Approval
Thomas Burchfield,
MS, MLS(ASCP)^{cm}
MT(AMT)** Mr. Thomas Burchfield petitioned the board for review to become Program Director of this medical laboratory technician training program. Mr. Burchfield currently serves as the program coordinator.

Motion: Dr. Calarco
Second: Ms. Arnott
Approved:

- Volunteer
Community College
Gallatin, TN 37066
Program Director
Approval** The committee reviewed the document received in the administrative office from NAACLS recognizing the approval of Dr. Tudor program director for this certified training program for medical laboratory technicians.

Per directive from the committee’s review of July 2015, the approval was granted for Dr. Tudor to be the new program director.

Information presented as part of discussion during July 2015 meeting to complete regulatory process for approval; information not available during July meeting.
No action necessary.

- University of
Tennessee Health
Sciences Center
Memphis, TN
38163
Addition of Clinical
Rotation Site** Ms. Kathy Kenwright program director of this certified training program for medical laboratory technologists appeared before the committee to request the addition of Compass Laboratories, Memphis, TN, as a new clinical rotation site for her students to enhance their experiences in molecular diagnostic technique.

After review of the clinical fact sheets and affiliation agreements between the program and the rotation site, the committee agreed documentation was in order for approval.

Motion: Ms. Walton
Second: Mr. Johnson
Approved: Compass Laboratories, Memphis, TN 38132

Note: Gavel passes to Ms. Arnott during this review; Ms. Kenwright gave presentation and abstained from vote.

**Concorde Career
College
Memphis, TN
38137**

Ms. Lindsey Shaidnagle, director, for this certified medical laboratory technician training program, appeared before the committee to request the addition of two (2) additions to the program's clinical rotation sites for their students.

Site: 1 American Esoteric Laboratory (AEL)
Memphis, TN 38134

After review of the clinical fact sheet committee members voted to approve this site:

Motion: Ms. Walton

Second: Ms. Arnott

Approved: AEL Laboratories, Memphis

Ms. Dolsen recused herself from the discussion and abstained from the vote.

Site 2: Schryver Medical (Formerly Main St. Labs)
Southaven, MS 38632

Review and discussion of this rotation site revealed this was a company in process of setting up the newly acquired Schryver Medical location and therefore the committee felt this was not the time to place students-in-training at this location.

Motion To Deny Request: Ms. Dolsen

Second: Ms. Arnott

Request Denied

OTHER BUSINESS:

1-Necessity of national certification or boarding for doctoral level applicants to be licensed at supervisor level in Tennessee:

Mark Rumpler appeared before the Committee to question licensure qualifications for a medical laboratory supervisor. His questions concerned licensure for a Ph.D. scientist with a background in biological sciences and his/her inability to qualify to be a licensed supervisor in Tennessee.

Dr. Rumpler questioned the Rules and Regulations Governing Medical Laboratory Personnel 1200-06-01-.21 concerning a supervisor, section (b) which Dr. Rumpler seeks clarification as to the necessity of national certification for a supervisor applicant. This is concerning an applicant for a doctoral candidate. After a lengthy conversation and review the committee determined national certification is necessary for a supervisor's license. This is applicable to any individual seeking licensure in Tennessee. Counsel recommended further discussion with Dr. Rumpler on this matter, which application can be made with a specific concern and specific applicant.

Distance Learning Credits Board did agree to accept all distance learning from accredited colleges and universities in the form of a policy statement during the July 2015 meeting. Credits from training curriculum cannot be counted if they are obtained during the clinical rotation period. Any doubts in the distance program will be reviewed by the Committee and Board.

Statement of Next Meeting:

The next Personnel and Education Committee Meeting will be January 20, 2016 and will begin at 1 PM CST in the Iris Room, Ground Floor, Metro Center Complex, 665 Mainstream Drive, Nashville, TN 37243

Record of Adjournment:

With no other business before the Personnel and Education Committee to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm CDT.

Motion: Ms. Walton
Second: Ms. Arnott
Meeting Adjourned.