

## Mississippi Respiratory Care Advisory Council Minutes

January 13, 2017

Members	Absent Members	MSDH Staff
Stanley Grantham Connie Hauk Kathleen Hogan Charles Larry Johnson, Jr. Dr. Arthur Calimaran	Dr. George Abraham, III Dr. Robert Middleton, III Misti Perez	F. Simkins Y. Morrow E. Gunn V. Berryman

- 1. Mr. Johnson called the meeting to order. A quorum was established.
- 2. By unanimous consent, August 19, 2016, minutes were approved by the Council.
- 3. The following officers were elected by acclamation:

Chairperson: Dr. Charles George Ellis Abraham, III Vice chairperson: Misti R. Perez

- 4. Mr. Simkins explained the Department's policy on reviewing the licensing statute and regulations every five years. The Council will review and discuss any possible revisions at the next meeting.
- 5. Ms. Morrow informed the Council that this was a renewal year for respiratory care. She stated that postcards would be mailed out in June to all licensees. She requested that the Mississippi Society for Respiratory Care also post on their website the upcoming renewal period and remind its members to submit their address changes before June. The Council asked for Professional Licensure contact information so it can be provided to the Society for posting on its website. Ms. Morrow will email the requested information to the Council members.

- 6. Mr. Johnson provided and update from the compact licensure ad hoc committee. He reported that there is a great variance between each state's requirement for licensure and believed this would be an obstacle to forming a compact licensure for respiratory care. Ms. Hogan suggested that Mr. Grantham should contact the AARC for their position on compact licensure for respiratory care and ascertain if they are willing to spearhead the movement toward obtaining a compact agreement.
- 7. No other new business was discussed.
- 8. The next meeting was scheduled for August 11, 2017, at 1:00 p.m.

9. Mr. Johnson adjourned the meeting at 2:03 p.m.

MSDH Representative

Date