

PUBLIC MINUTES  
Regular Meeting  
ALABAMA BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS  
November 14, 2012

848 Washington Avenue  
Montgomery, AL

Members Present

George C. Smith, Jr., M.D., Chairman  
Richard M. Freeman, M.D., Vice-Chairman  
James G. Davis, M.D.  
Howard Joseph Falgout, M.D.  
Michael T. Flanagan, M.D.  
J. Daniel Gifford, M.D.  
William E. Goetter, M.D.  
T. Michael Harrington, M.D.  
Boyde J. Harrison, M.D.  
David P. Herrick, M.D.  
Juan Johnson, M.D.  
John S. Meigs, Jr., M.D.  
Paul M. Nagrodzki, M.D.  
Timothy A. Stewart, M.D.  
William J. Terry, M.D.

Members Not Present

Recording Secretary

Amy T. Dorminey

Others Present

Billy Addison  
Jackie Baskin  
Larry Dixon  
Randy Dixon  
Jeff Grimsley  
Stan Ingram  
Carla Kruger  
David McGilvray  
Randy Moore  
Ed Munson  
Jim Nichols  
William Perkins  
Edwin Rogers  
Trish Shaner  
Anne Shiver  
Pat Ward  
Charlene Cotton  
Sydney Cramer  
Terra Griffin  
Susan Staats-Sidwell

Call to Order: 10:54 a.m.

Prior notice having been given in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act, and with a quorum of fifteen members present, Board Chairman, George C. Smith, Jr., M.D., convened the public portion of the meeting of the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners.

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PUBLIC MINUTES OF OCTOBER 17, 2012 The Credentials Committee recommended that the Public Minutes of October 17, 2012, be approved. The motion was adopted without objection.

**ENDORSEMENT**

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Medical School</u>	<u>Endorsement</u>
1	Sanjay Jaisingh Agarwal	N H L Municipal Medical College Gujarat Univ	USMLE/MI
2	Emmanuel Agosto Arroyo	University of Puerto Rico School of Medicine	USMLE
3	Christopher Gerard Baalman	University of Kansas School of Medicine	USMLE
4	Kevin Michael Bernstein	Drexel University College of Medicine	USMLE
5	Hussam Bitar	University of Aleppo	USMLE/PA
6	Raoul C. Chung	University of Missouri Kansas City SOM	USMLE/AL
7	Joseph Thomas Daley	Emory University School of Medicine	USMLE/PA
8	Michelle Lynn Hartwig	University of Texas - Houston Medical School	USMLE
9	Juanita Titrud Heersink	UASOM Birmingham	USMLE
10	Alex Hnatov	University of Saskatchewan College of Medicine	USMLE/NC
11	Jeffrey E. Juneau	UASOM Birmingham	USMLE
12	Sang W. Kim	Harvard Medical School	USMLE
13	Ross Allen Lumsden	UASOM Birmingham	USMLE
14	Lisa Michelle Mabry	East TN State U James H Quillen COM	USMLE
15	Justin David Mann	Mercer University School of Medicine	USMLE
16	Lionel Anthony Marzette	UASOM Birmingham	USMLE/NC
17	William Randolph Mays	Meharry Medical College School of Medicine	NBME/TN
18	Eduardo Veras Camelo De Moroni	Universidade Federal De Pernambuco	USMLE/CA
19	Yummy Nguyen	Uniformed Services Univ of Health Sciences	USMLE
20	Haritha Pabbathi	Gandhi Medical College Secunderabad	USMLE/SC
21	Alberto Angel Penalver	University of Miami School of Medicine	FLEX/FL
22	Paul Erick Pinson	Universidad Autonoma De Nuevo Leon	USMLE/UT
23	Taylor Nettles Plumer	Medical College of Georgia School of Medicine	USMLE
24	Michael Dennis Putman II	UASOM Birmingham	USMLE/AL
25	Carson Henry Rowell	USACOM	USMLE
26	Mark Vernon Sapp	UASOM Birmingham	NBME/NY
27	Rajal Bipinbhai Shah	B J Medical College University of Pune	USMLE/MI
28	Courtney Lyn Shappley	Kansas City Univ of Medicine & Biosciences	COMLEX
29	Peter James Swarr	University of Vermont College of Medicine	USMLE/TN
30	Yousef Ebeid Tadros	University of Alexandria	USMLE/MS

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31	Gregory Ahern Thompson	University of New England Col of Osteo Med	NBOME/ME
32	Ryan James Tomlins	American University of The Caribbean	USMLE
33	Michael Anthony Torres	Spartan Health Sciences University	FLEX/PA
34	Wiley DeWitt Truss	UASOM Birmingham	USMLE
35	Trevor William Turner	Univ of TX Southwestern Med Center at Dallas	USMLE
36	Cindy Wu	Loyola University of Chicago Stritch SOM	USMLE/IL
37	Rocky Jay Adams	Tufts University School of Medicine	USMLE
38	Taylor McPherson Banahan	University of Mississippi School of Medicine	USMLE
39	John Anderson Banahan	University of Mississippi School of Medicine	USMLE
40	Diana Maria Baralt	Universidad Central Del Este (UCE)	FLEX/FL
41	Andrea Morgan Batchelor	USACOM	USMLE
42	Mary Alice Elizabeth Dearmon	USACOM	USMLE
43	Alexander Mark Eisen	Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine	Complex/VA
44	Pearl Elizabeth Govea	Boston University School of Medicine	USMLE/VA
45	Annie Lee Harris	Mercer University School of Medicine	USMLE
46	Jeremy Matthew Hatchett	UASOM Birmingham	USMLE
47	Ronald Belle Johnston Jr.	University of South Florida College of Medicine	USMLE/FL
48	Ashwani Kapoor	Government Medical College Chandigarh	USMLE/TX
49	Jacob Don Kelley	UASOM Birmingham	USMLE
50	Shuaike Ma	Jilin University	USMLE
51	Juan Alfonso Merayo-Rodriguez	Pontificia U Catolica Madre Y Maestra	USMLE/PA
52	James Daniel Moore	University of Kentucky College of Medicine	USMLE
53	George Augustus Nelson IV	USACOM	USMLE
54	Deborah Lynn Newcomb	University of Miami School of Medicine	USMLE/FL
55	Raj Ajay Patel	UASOM Birmingham	USMLE
56	Joan Breder Patterson	University of TX Medical School at San Antonio	USMLE/TN
57	Arjun Saxena	Jawaharlal Nehru Medical College Wardha	USMLE
58	Alexis Pauline Bashinski Shaefer	Medical College of Georgia School of Medicine	USMLE
59	Hyun Min Song	New York Medical College	USMLE/NY
60	Kevin Michael Walls	University of Tennessee Memphis COM	USMLE
61	Ian Landon Weisberg	Emory University School of Medicine	USMLE/IL
62	Yaolin Zhou	Mayo Medical School	USMLE
63	Amro Elbalkhi	University of Damascus	USMLE
64	Ezra Samuel Elkayam	TX Tech U Health Sci Ctr SOM	FLEX/TX
65	Robert Wylie Jarrett, Jr.	U TN Memphis COM	USMLE/MO
66	Peter Brent King	Kirkville College of Osteo Medicine	COMPLEX/NC
67	Clinton Martin	Siddhartha Medical College	USMLE
68	James Anderson O'Donnell, II	Univ MS SOM	FLEX/MS
69	Megan Caroline Trehern Courtney	USACOM	USMLE
70	Robert Wyatt Love	Saba Univ SOM	USMLE/MS

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of endorsement applicants one through seventy-one. The motion was adopted without objection.

Darlene Carolyn Bernard, M.D. - Request to withdraw application After consideration of a request from Dr. Bernard to withdraw her application for licensure, and pursuant to Ala. Code § 34-24-70(f)(3), the Credentials Committee recommended that the Board withdraw Dr. Bernard's certificate of qualification. The motion was adopted without objection.

#### RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM LICENSE (RSVP)

##### RSVP Renewal Applicants

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Facility</u>	<u>License / Issue Date</u>
1	Hugh J. Hughes, M.D.	M-Power Ministries	RSV-13 - 01/28/2011

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the RSVP license renewal applicant. The motion was adopted without objection.

#### SPECIAL PURPOSE LICENSE

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Principal Place of Practice Location</u>
1	Lorraine Marjorie Ash, M.D.	Hudson, OH
2	Mark Francis Brodie, M.D.	Hudson, OH
3	Wendell Dale Hatch, M.D.	Hudson, OH
4	Benoit Alexandre Luyckx, M.D.	Hudson, OH
5	Stephen Joseph Muehlenbein, M.D.	Hudson, OH
6	James Tien-Ti Hsu, M.D.	Hudson, OH
7	Anthony Joseph Minotti, M.D.	Hudson, OH

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of special purpose license

applicants one through seven. The motion was adopted without objection.

Special Purpose License Request After consideration of an inquiry regarding special purpose licensure, the Credentials Committee recommended that the physicians be notified that, pursuant to Ala. Code § 34-24-507, they do not meet the qualifications for special purpose licensure as the state in which their principal practice is located is not a reciprocal state for the practice of medicine across state lines. The motion was adopted without objection.

LIMITED LICENSE

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Medical School</u>	<u>Endorsement</u>
1	Brittany Barnes	USACOM	LL/AL
2	Christopher Erik Bowen	Tulane University School of Medicine	LL/AL
3	Ashleigh DeAnna Butts-Wilkerson	USACOM	LL/AL
4	Mariel Danita Hepburn	Morehouse School Of Medicine	LL/AL
5	Charles Seth Landefeld	Yale University School Of Medicine	LL/AL
6	Kristina T. Osborn	UASOM Birmingham	LL/AL
7	Amanda Leigh Woods	USACOM	LL/AL
8	Sawsan Alkurabi	UASOM Birmingham	LL/AL

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of limited license applicants one through eight. The motion was adopted without objection.

Limited License Renewal Applicants The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the limited license renewal applicants. The motion was adopted without objection. The list of limited license renewal applicants shall be made a part of these Minutes and shall be attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS / ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSES

P.A. License

	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>NCCPA</u>
1	Andrea Nicole Campbell	UAB	1083531

The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. license applicant. The motion was adopted without objection.

P.A. Registration

Sheryll C. Coleman, PA / Alan C. Aikens, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted without objection.

Amanda Lynn Day, PA / Ben Treen, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted without objection.

Audrey Cristina Guthrie, PA / John Vanlandingham, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application including, with standard language previously approved by the Board, number twenty-three on the P.A. formulary, birth control drugs and devices. The motion was adopted without objection.

Karen Harness, PA / Lori Louis, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application including, with standard language previously approved by the Board, number twenty-three on the P.A. formulary, birth control drugs and devices. The motion was adopted without objection.

Phillip Jernigan, PA / Joe T. Sharp, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended



approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted without objection.

Linda Langston, PA / Alan C. Aikens, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted without objection.

Cheri Livingston, PA / Genevieve Ivy McLeod, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application including, with standard language previously approved by the Board, number twenty-three on the P.A. formulary, birth control drugs and devices. The motion was adopted without objection.

Sally Morriss, PA / Alan C. Aikens, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application. The motion was adopted without objection.

Jennifer Lauren Penuel, PA / Chelley Kay Alexander, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application including, with standard language previously approved by the Board, number twenty-three on the P.A. formulary, birth control drugs and devices. The motion was adopted without objection.

Cami Bertus, PA / Jerry Cris Blevins, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application including, with standard language previously approved by the Board, number two and number twenty-three on the P.A. formulary, antineoplastic agents and birth control drugs and devices. The motion was adopted without objection.

Steven James Walter, PA / Kenneth Leonard Todd, III, M.D. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. registration application with remote site privileges including, with standard language previously approved by the Board, number

twenty-three on the P.A. formulary, birth control drugs and devices. The motion was adopted without objection.

P.A. QACSC Registration

Michelle D. Nicholas, PA / Roger Todd Boyington, D.O. The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. QACSC registration application. The motion was adopted without objection.

P.A. Miscellaneous Requests / Reports

Adam Bevis, PA / Souheil Saddekni, M.D. - Request approval of additional practice site  
The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the additional practice site. The motion was adopted without objection.

Jeffrey Clarence Davis, PA / Russell S. Ronson, M.D. - Request permission to train P.A. to perform additional duties The Credentials Committee recommended, with standard language previously approved by the Board, approval of the request to allow the P.A. to perform the following duties: chest tube removal; pacing wire removal; left atrial catheter removal; and endoscopic vein harvesting. The motion was adopted without objection.

Amanda Day, PA / Ben Treen, M.D. - Request consideration of P.A. formulary The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the P.A. formulary including, with standard language previously approved by the Board, number two, antineoplastic agents, and number twenty-three, birth control drugs and devices. The motion was adopted without objection.



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Rebecca Johnson, PA / William L. Golden, M.D. - Request consideration of documentation of training to perform Implanon placement and HPV treatment with chemical destruction The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the documentation of the P.A. having been trained to perform Implanon placement and removal, and chemical destruction of HPV lesions. The motion was adopted without objection.

Julie T. Lindeman, PA / Ashish Kimar Basu, M.D. - Request consideration of PA supervision of graded exercise testing The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the request to allow the P.A. to supervise graded exercise testing. The motion was adopted without objection.

Michelle D. Nicholas, PA / Roger T. Boyington, D.O. - Request consideration of documentation of training to perform joint injections The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the documentation of the P.A. having been trained to perform joint injections. The motion was adopted without objection.

Miranda Nolen, PA / William Harigel, M.D. - Request consideration of additional practice site The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the additional practice site. The motion was adopted without objection.

Rebekah Pierce, PA / Anthony Martino, M.D. - Request consideration of documentation of training to perform ventriculoperitoneal shunt tap, ventriculoatrial shunt tap and lumboperitoneal shunt tap The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the documentation of the P.A. having been trained to perform ventriculoperitoneal shunt tap,



ventriculoatrial shunt tap, and lumboperitoneal shunt tap. The motion was adopted without objection.

APN Miscellaneous Requests / Reports

Deepak Acharya, M.D. / Constance Bowen, CRNP - Request for restricted drugs The Credentials Committee recommended, with standard language previously approved by the Board, approval of the request to train the CRNP to administer antineoplastic agents as specified on the application. The motion was adopted without objection.

Deepak Acharya, M.D. / Jennifer Vann, CRNP - Request for additional skills The Credentials Committee recommended, with standard language previously approved by the Board, approval of the request to train the CRNP to administer antineoplastic agents as specified on the application. The Committee recommended, with standard language previously approved by the Board, approval of the request to train the CRNP to perform the following duties: chest tube / pleural catheter removal; epicardial pacing wire removal; insertion of central venous line, internal jugular; insertion of central venous line, subclavian; insertion of central venous line, femoral; and femoral venous puncture. The motion was adopted without objection.

Michael D. Brown, M.D. / Whitney P. Bailey, CRNP - Request for additional skills The Credentials Committee recommended, with standard language previously approved by the Board, approval of the request to train the CRNP to perform femoral arterial line insertion and chest tube / pleural catheter removal. The motion was adopted without objection.

Mark D. Baker, M.D. / Rachel Handley, CRNP - Request for additional skills The

Credentials Committee recommended, with standard language previously approved by the Board, approval of the request to train the CRNP to perform lumbar puncture and digital nerve block. The motion was adopted without objection.

Bobby Crocker, M.D. / Francetta Childers, CRNP - Request for additional skills The Credentials Committee recommended, with standard language previously approved by the Board, approval of the request to train the CRNP to perform colposcopy, colposcopically directed biopsy and treatment, and endocervical curettage. The motion was adopted without objection.

Teresa Coco, M.D. / Yvette Gardiner, CRNP - Request for lumbar puncture The Credentials Committee recommended, with standard language previously approved by the Board, approval of the request to train the CRNP to perform lumbar puncture. The motion was adopted without objection.

Jerry Wayne Hope, M.D. / Cindy Lee, CRNP - Request for joint aspiration and injection The Credentials Committee recommended, with standard language previously approved by the Board, approval of the request to add joint aspiration and injection of the ankle, elbow, shoulder, knee and greater trochanteric bursa to the collaborative practice registration agreement. The motion was adopted without objection.

James E. Johnson, M.D. / Stephanie B. Pruitt, CRNP - Request for additional skills The Credentials Committee recommended, with standard language previously approved by the Board, approval of the request to train the CRNP to perform femoral arterial line insertion and chest tube / pleural catheter removal. The motion was adopted without objection.

Ivana B. Kajdos, M.D. / Deeann Kizziah, CRNP - Request for additional skills The Credentials Committee recommended, with standard language previously approved by the Board, approval of the request to train the CRNP to perform initial EKG interpretation. The motion was adopted without objection.

Nidal Morrar, M.D. / Debbie Hamby, CRNP - Request for waiver of physician availability requirement The Credentials Committee recommended that the exemption be disallowed pursuant to current requirements which state that the physician and nurse practitioner must have 10% collaboration time and that the physician must be readily available. The motion was adopted without objection.

Lisa Williams, M.D. / Mehgan Lazenby, CRNP - Request approval of documentation of training The Credentials Committee recommended approval of the documentation of the CRNP having been trained to perform central venous line insertion, internal jugular. The motion was adopted without objection.

Women's Health Nurse Practitioner Specialty Protocol The Credentials Committee recommended that collaborative practice registration applicants who request Women's Health Nurse Practitioner Specialty Protocol, and who meet the requirements for the protocol, be approved for the protocol and not be required to obtain Board approval on an individual basis. The motion was adopted without objection.

#### Collaborative Practice Covering Physician Applicants

Collaborative Practice Covering Physician Applicants The Credentials Committee recommended approval of collaborative practice covering physician applicants one through

one hundred fifty-nine. The motion was adopted without objection. The list of collaborative practice covering physician applicants shall be made a part of these Minutes and shall be attached hereto as Exhibit "B."

Joint Committee on Advanced Practice Nursing

Joint Committee on Advanced Practice Nursing, November 13, 2012 The Credentials Committee recommended deferring to the full Board for a report to be presented by Dr. Harrison. The Board recommended that the report presented by Dr. Harrison be received as information. The motion was adopted without objection. A copy of the report shall be made a part of these Minutes and shall be attached hereto as Exhibit "C."

A motion was made that the recommendations of the Joint Committee, as stated in the Minutes of the Joint Committee, be approved. The motion was adopted without objection. A copy of the Minutes of the Joint Committee Meeting shall be made a part of these Minutes and shall be attached hereto as Exhibit "D."

CURRENT BUSINESS

ALAMTA - Susan Staats Sidwell, M.Ed. A motion was made that the presentation by Ms. Sidwell regarding the operations and regulations of methadone clinics in the state of Alabama be received as information. The motion was adopted without objection.

Administrative Rules Chapter 540-X-15, Telemedicine The Credentials Committee recommended that Administrative Rule 540-X-15-.03(9) be amended to replace the word "advanced" with the word "appropriate." The Committee recommended that further



discussion be deferred until the January meeting. A motion was made to schedule a special meeting for January 15, 2013, at 6:30 p.m., to discuss the proposed rules. The motion was adopted without objection.

Alden March Bioethics Institute -*Better Doctoring* After consideration of correspondence from Alden March Bioethics Institute, Albany Medical College, the Credentials Committee recommended that Dr.. White be notified that the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners neither accredits nor endorses continuing medical education courses; however, the course, *Better Doctoring*, being accredited for 25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ does meet the current continuing medical education requirement requisite for renewal of an Alabama medical license. The motion was adopted without objection.

American Society of Interventional Pain Physicians At the request of the American Society of Interventional Pain Physicians, the Credentials Committee recommended that correspondence be sent to Alabama's U.S. Congressional Delegation in opposition to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' proposed rule, which, if enacted, will allow CRNAs to perform interventional pain management procedures and bill Medicare directly for performing the procedures. The Committee recommended that the correspondence be modeled after the correspondence sent to the Georgia U.S. Congressional Delegation from the Georgia Composite Medical Board. The Committee recommended that a copy of the correspondence be sent to the FSMB along with a request that the FSMB correspond with other U.S. government officials expressing opposition to the proposed rule. The motion was adopted without objection.

Contacts from APHP After consideration of an inquiry from William M. Lightfoot, M.D., regarding reporting requirements concerning disruptive physicians, the Credentials Committee recommended that, henceforth, any physician who self-reports to the Alabama Physician Health Program for disruptive behavior be reported to the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners only if the physician is deemed to be non-compliant with the recommendations of Alabama Physician Health Program. The motion was adopted without objection.

CPEP Oral Report A motion was made that the oral report presented by Richard M. Freeman, M.D., be received as information. The motion was adopted without objection.

Electronic Prescribing After consideration of Ala. Code § 34-23-8, *Substitution of drugs or brand of drugs*, and U.S. Code of Federal Regulation 1306.5, *Manner of issuance of prescriptions*, the Credentials Committee recommended that the Alabama Board of Pharmacy be asked to render an opinion as to whether a pharmacy that cannot accept e-prescriptions is allowed to fill such prescriptions which default to a facsimile copy and contain an electronic signature. Said prescription is being generated as an e-prescription through the prescriber's electronic medical records (EMR) system, then, once produced, the prescription is sent by the prescriber to the system intermediary. The intermediary incorporates the prescription into the EMR file and sends the prescription to the pharmacy of the patient's choice. In addition to the foregoing, the Committee recommended that the Alabama Board of Pharmacy be asked to render an opinion regarding the legality of a pharmacy pre-populating a prescription refill request for a patient and faxing it to the

physician for a signature. The motion was adopted without objection.

Vanderbilt University Center for Professional Health The Credentials Committee recommended that the professional development courses for health professionals offered by Vanderbilt University be received as information. The motion was adopted without objection.

## HEARINGS

ABME Hearing Schedule The Credentials Committee recommended that the ABME hearing schedule be received as information. The motion was adopted without objection.

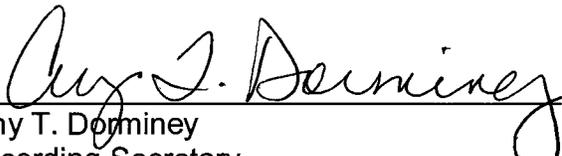
Eldred Mattatha Brunson, M.D., Pelham After consideration of testimony and exhibits presented before a hearing panel of the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners, a motion was made to enter an Order reinstating Dr. Brunson's Alabama Controlled Substances Certificate subject to certain terms and conditions. The motion was adopted without objection. A copy of the Order shall be made a part of these Minutes and shall be attached hereto as Exhibit "E."

Morris Wayne Cochran, M.D., Birmingham A hearing panel of the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners convened to consider the Motion for Re-Hearing filed on behalf of Dr. Cochran. A motion was made to enter an Order denying the Motion for Re-Hearing. The motion was adopted without objection. A copy of the Order shall be made a part of these Minutes and shall be attached hereto as Exhibit "F."



Meeting Adjourned: 12:10 p.m.

The Alabama Board of Medical Examiners will convene its next public meeting December 12, 2012, 848 Washington Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama.

  
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Amy T. Dorminey  
Recording Secretary

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Larry D. Dixon  
Executive Director

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George C. Smith, Jr., M.D.  
Chairman