



Meeting Minutes

Meeting Title:	Mississippi Respiratory Care Advisory Council Meeting	
Meeting Location:	CC/PL Conference Room – 143B LeFleurs Square, Jackson, MS 39211	
Meeting Date:	January 31, 2025	
Time:	2:30 PM	
Called to Order:	2:32 PM, Quorum was established.	
Next Meeting Date/Time/Location:	01 August 2025 2:30 P.M. CC/PL Conference Room / 143B LeFleurs Square, Jackson, MS 39211 via ZOOM	
Meeting Adjourned	1:58 P.M.	
Attendees:	<p><u>Council Members Present</u> Charles Larry Johnson Kenneth Thigpen Dawn Hunter Steven Robinson Dr. George Abraham</p>	<p><u>Council Members Absent</u> Dena Karr Choyce (Stan) Diffey Dr. Channing Twyner Dr. Robert Middleton</p>
	<p><u>MSDH Staff Present</u> Felicia Wang Alex Smith</p>	
	<p><u>Attending Via Phone Conference</u></p>	
	<p><u>Members of the Public Present</u></p>	



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	New Business	NOTES
1.	Call to Order	The meeting was called to order with a quorum established.
2.	Approval of January 19, 2023, September 14, 2023, and January 26, 2024 minutes	The minutes of the January 19, 2023, September 14, 2023, and January 26, 2024 were approved. 01/19/2023 – motion: Ms. Hunter, 2 nd : Dr. Abraham 09/14/2023 – motion: Mr. Johnson, 2 nd : Ms. Hunter 01/25/2024: motion: Ms. Hunter, 2 nd : Mr. Johnson
3.	Reappointments/Nominations	Ms. Wang informed the Council that a CV is still needed from Dr. Abraham to submit for his 3 rd term to the Council, which will expire 12/31/2027. Dr. Abraham stated that he will send it after the meeting. The Council still also needs replacements for the anesthesiologist and chest physician.
4.	Election of Officers	Mr. Thigpen nominated Dr. Abraham for chairperson, Mr. Johnson motioned, and Ms. Hunter seconded the motion. Dr. Abraham named chairperson for 2025. Mr. Johnson nominated Mr. Robinson for vice-chairperson, Mr. Thigpen motioned, and Ms. Hunter seconded the motion. Mr. Robinson named vice-chairperson for 2025.
5.	Complaints	Ms. Wang informed the Council of 2 complaints on RTs who were both terminated from their facility for documenting treatments that were not provided to patients. Both of the RTs were not seen on video footage going into the patient’s rooms. Ms. Wang informed the Council that both were told by their floor supervisor not to treat, but to document, and complaints have been submitted on the facilities. Ms. Wang stated that both RTs have been placed on disciplinary probation with consent agreements, and the information has been submitted to both NBRC and NPDB.
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	Other Business	NOTES
1.	Compact	Mr. Thigpen informed that Council that the compact has started with Washington per AARC.
2.	Tags	Mr. Thigpen informed the Council that 260 RTs have applied for the state tag, and need 300 applications for it to move forward. The applications are available on the MSRC website.
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Council Chairperson



MSDH Representative

02/06/2026

Date

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