

DELAWARE AUTHORITY ON RADIATION PROTECTION
SUMMARY OF MEETING
November 14, 2016
Harry Levin Center for Pharmacy History & Education
27 North Main Street
Smyrna, Delaware 19977

Members Present: (those with checks only)

F. Esposito	√	F. Fisher-Tyler	√	K. Musto	
I. Turner, Jr.	√	W. Holden, III	√	J. Dill	√
D. Andrews		T. Hitchens		M. Higgins	
M. Finkelstein	√	T. May	√	G. Poirier	√
N. Lippmann					

Guests:

R. Brinsfield	√	K. Shaughnessy	√	D. Hill	√
B. Fendt	√				

F. Esposito, Authority Chair, brought the meeting to order at 6:10 pm.

I. Call to Order & Agenda Adopted

F. Esposito welcomed all present to the meeting, thanking everyone for giving their time to be present for the Authority's business. She asked for a motion to adopt the agenda. J. Dill made a motion to approve the agenda with no change, M. Finkelstein seconded and all voted to approve.

II. Approval of Minutes

F. Esposito asked for a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. I. Turner, Jr. introduced a motion to approve the September 26, 2016 Authority meeting minutes, J. Dill seconded and all voted to approve. The motion passed.

III. Chairman's Comments

F. Esposito thanked all present for coming out on this fall night to serve the interests of radiation protection in Delaware. She expressed her gratitude to the members for giving their personal time and energies to the work of the Authority, and indicated that two committees had been very busy this year, with the Public Education Committee contributing to planning for the November 3, 2016 Student Open House at Delaware Technical Community College, and the Regulations Committee working on Parts F and H of the radiation control regulations.

IV. Old Business

There was no old business to report.

V. Discussion Items – Review Proposed Regulations (Vote Part F & Part H)

F. Esposito provided an overview of work carried out in 2016 by the Regulations Task Force, a committee of the Authority. She stated that it has taken several hours to get the proposed regulation into its current form, and thanked the task force she chaired for their contributions – namely, members W. Holden, III, I. Turner, Jr., M. Finkelstein, W. Fendt, and F. Fisher-Tyler. F. Fisher-Tyler stated that comments made by Authority members and external stakeholders who participated in the pre-decisional review of these regulations at the September 26 meeting had been used to inform the proposed rule under discussion. The proposed regulations were then projected and reviewed by all present, proceeding in a page by page manner. Following are specific and logistical details shared at the meeting, regarding this regulatory review.

- The objective was to review current state regulations and consider adoption of suggested state regulations published by the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors (CRCPD) regarding Medical Diagnostic and Interventional X-Ray and Imaging Systems (Part F), and Radiation Safety Requirements for Non-Healing Arts Radiation Generating Devices (Part H).

DE Admin Code No.	Current DRCR and CRCPD SSR	Title
4465	Part F	Medical Diagnostic and Interventional X-Ray and Imaging Systems
4465	Part H	Radiation Safety Requirements for Non-Healing Arts Radiation Generating Devices

NEXT STEPS:

- The Authority and Agency will prepare, approve and publish a set of draft regulations for public comment (advanced notice of proposed rulemaking) per state procedure,
- The public will have a period to comment on the proposed rulemaking for 30 days,
- The Authority and Agency will address public comments submitted, and incorporate changes into a final rule,
- The final rule will then be published and posted to a state webpage by the Registrar of Regulations,
- The Office of Radiation Control (ORC) will place a link to the final regulations on its webpage and implement the final rule with the regulated community, on behalf of the Authority and Agency.

VI. Informational Reports

F. Fisher-Tyler provided a brief report highlighting activities of the Authority, such as Bylaws, strategic plan, and committees. R. Brinsfield reviewed the Radiation Control Program Monitoring Reports for the period January through October, 2016. He briefly reviewed New X-Ray Facility (new rooms evaluated for radiation shielding to assure protection for patients, operators & members of the public), X-Ray Facility Inspection Summary (numbers of facilities and x-ray tubes inspected), X-Ray Inspection Violation

(citations identified during inspection) and Radiation Technologist/Technician Certification Summary Reports. He fielded questions and collected comments. He reminded those present that an ORC Monitoring Report would be presented for calendar year 2015 and 2016 at the first Authority meeting of the year.

VII. Annual Election of Officers (Vote)

F. Fisher-Tyler stated that the Authority Bylaws require an annual election of officers. W. Holden, III Nominating Committee Chair reported that the current Chair and Vice-Chair had expressed willingness to serve for another year. F. Fisher-Tyler indicated that nominations would also be taken from the floor. W. Holden, III introduced a motion for F. Esposito to be re-elected as Chair, and asked if there were any nominations from the floor. There were no nominations from the floor. J. Dill seconded and all voted to approve. The motion passed. He then introduced a motion for I. Turner Jr. to be re-elected as Vice-Chair, and asked if there were any nominations from the floor. There were no nominations from the floor. J. Dill seconded and all voted to approve. W. Holden, III congratulated F. Esposito and I. Turner Jr. on their re-election, and asked all present for a round of applause to thank them for their service.

VIII. Public Comments

VIII. Adjournment

M. Finkelstein introduced a motion to adjourn. I. Turner, Jr. seconded and all voted to approve. The motion passed. The Authority meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

The next meeting of the Authority is scheduled for February 27, 2017 at 6 pm at the Harry Levin Center for Pharmacy History & Education in Smyrna.

Respectfully submitted,

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