



TOPIC RESEARCH COMMITTEE
of the TEXAS RADIATION ADVISORY BOARD (TRAB)
MEETING MINUTES

Austin-Health and Human Services Commission, MHMR Center
Conference Room 164, 909 W. 45th Street, Austin, Texas 78751
Friday, February 5, 2016 at 8:30 AM

1. Call to Order

Dr. Hamilton, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:43 a.m. A quorum was present.

Members present for the meeting: Ian Hamilton, Ph.D., John Hageman, M.S., C.H.P.; and Darshan Sachde

Members not present: Robert Emery, DrPH, Vice-Chair; and Nora Janjan, M.D. M.P.S.A., M.B.A.

Other TRAB members present: Kevin Raabe and Stephen Harris

2. Introduction of guests:

Department of State Health Services (DSHS): Lisa Bruedigan, Jerry Cogburn, Ruben Cortez, Ray Fleming, Chuck Flynn, Robert Free, Joann Harthcock, Stacey McLarty, Shannon Quinn, Richard Ratliff, P.E.; Eric Skotak, Liz Speights, Helen Watkins, and Peggy Westlund.

Texas Railroad Commission (RRC): Grant Chambless

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ): Charles Maguire

Waste Control Specialists (WCS): Betsy Madru

Texas Board of Licensure for Professional Medical Physicists: Charles Beasley, Ph.D.

3. Review and, as needed, discuss and take possible action concerning amendment and/or approval of the minutes of the December 4, 2015 TRAB Topic Research Committee meeting

Mr. Sachde made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Hageman seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.

4. Continuing Business

A. Update on rulemaking priorities

Mr. Flynn stated the RAM Part 37 rule packet was approved by the HHSC Commissioner and will be published in the Texas Register.

5. New Business:

A. Decide if any action by TRAB needed for dispelling radiation hysteria

Table topic for next meeting. Mr. Sachde suggested to point the general public where to obtain reliable information.

B. Identify any additional topics that need further research to be addressed by the TRAB

None

C. Identify topics to recommend be further discussed and addressed at future meetings of the Medical Committee, Industrial, Nuclear Power, Uranium, and Waste (INUW) Committee, or full Board

None

6. Public Comments

None

7. Summarize Committee meeting and recommendations for Committee Report and proposed action items for TRAB and for future agenda items for TRAB, the Medical Committee, or INUW Committees

None

8. Identification of Agenda Items for next or future Topic Research Committee Meeting

A. Dispelling radiation hysteria

B. Everyday exposures the public might encounter on a daily basis

9. Adjourn

Mr. Hamilton adjourned the meeting at 8:54 a.m.