

# **BOARD OF COAL MINING EXAMINERS**

## **SUMMARY OF MEETING**

**MARCH 6, 2012**

**The following is a summary of the March 6, 2012 Meeting:**

- I. Meeting called to order at 9:09 AM by Randy Moore, Chairman. Members present were Randy Moore, Gerald Kendrick, Joseph Buchanan, Arvil McConnell, Jr. and Ricky O'Quinn. Also present were Mary Gibson, Regulatory Boards Administrator, Butch Lambert, DMME Deputy Director, and Sharon Pigeon, Sr. Assistant Attorney General.**
- II. Opening statement delivered by Randy Moore, Chairman.**
- III. Motion made and seconded to accept March 6, 2012, meeting agenda and approve February 7, 2012, meeting summary. All members were in favor to approve.**
- IV. Review of Virginia Substance Abuse Cases (Closed Session)**

**Of the cases that resulted in hearings, evidence was taken by the Board in closed session, pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-3711(A)(4) and 45.1-11.35(E). In the closed session, the Board worked out agreements, allowing individuals to return to work conditionally, and took other disciplinary actions including revocation of all certifications held by miners.**

### **V. Open Agenda**

**The Board inquired whether the Board Administrator had received final information on the proposed changes by state of Kentucky on adopting more stringent substance abuse policies in the mining industry. Ms. Gibson informed that she will inform the Board as soon as she receives a final policy from Kentucky officials. Ms. Pigeon advised that at that time the Board revisit Virginia's certifications reciprocal agreement with Kentucky due to their evolving drug policy. Chairman Randy Moore also informed the Board of the current status of the new West Virginia Mine Bill that mandates a new substance abuse program for coal mines in the state of West Virginia.**

### **VI. Next Meeting**

**Next meeting will be April 3, 2012.**

### **VII. Adjournment**

**Meeting adjourned at 2:55 PM.**