

**BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
MINUTES**

DATE: November 17, 2017

TIME: 9:00 a.m. C.D.T

LOCATION: 665 Mainstream Drive
Poplar Conference Room, 1st Floor
Nashville, TN 37243

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Harris, PTA, Chair
LeAnn Childress, PT
Ronald Barredo, DPT
Minty Ballard, Consumer

MEMBERS ABSENT: David Finch, PT, Secretary

STAFF PRESENT: Michael Sobowale, Board Director
Mary Webb, Unit Manager
Tomica Walker, Board Administrator
Denard Mickens, Assistant General Counsel
Lori Leonard, Office of Investigations
Noranda French, Financial Officer

Guests: Amy Breedlove, TPTA
Alan Meade, DPT, TPTA
Brigina Wilkerson, DPT, Board Consultant
Mike Harkreader, Tennessee Professional Assistance Program

1. Call to Order

A roll call of board members and administrative staff present was taken. With a quorum present, Mr. Harris called the meeting to order at 9:11 a.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

After review, Ms. Childress made a motion, seconded by Dr. Barredo, to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2017 meeting as follows with the amendments from last page to correct the statement regarding ratification of minutes. The motion carried.

3. Office of General Counsel Report

Mr. Mickens presented the Office of General Counsel (OGC) report as follows:

A. Conflict of Interest

Mr. Mickens reminded Board members of the Board's conflict of interest policy. If a member has any personal or financial interest which might appear to be a conflict of interest, whether it relates to a contested case, a rulemaking issue, or any other Board decision, that fact should be shared with the Board so that a decision may be made regarding the need for recusal.

B. Rules

OGC has set a rulemaking hearing for the PT Board to be held on February 9, 2018 to discuss the following action items: Rule 1150-01-.06 to reduce license renewal fees for PTs from \$65.00 to \$55.00 and for PTAs from \$65.00 to \$45.00.

D. Litigation

Appeals

There are no pending appeals for Board disciplinary action, nor are there any civil suits.

OGC currently has four (4) open cases pertaining to the Board of Physical Therapy. Those files are being processed and OGC will present the consent orders, if any, to the Board as soon as possible. In addition, there are several complaints being investigated currently. Those complaints that are substantiated during the investigation will be presented at the next scheduled meeting of the Board.

There is currently no legislation.

4. Financial Report

Noranda French, Financial Officer for the Division of Health-Related Boards discussed the board's year-end financial report ending June 30, 2017. Total allocated expenditures totaled \$143,062.00 and total expenditures were \$270,646.51. Board fee revenue totaled \$448,289.70 for a current net of \$177,643.19. Of this amount, the board's portion for the new LARS computer system totaled \$63,165.24. The cumulative carryover balance surplus for the Board totaled \$475,296.03. Ms. French reported to the board that after some research, she discovered that the board's financials has trended that in odd years, the revenue increased and in even years, the revenue decreased. Ms. French stated that the recommended fee reduction would benefit the board in helping to offset some of the costs with the cumulative carryover. After much discussion, Ms.

French stated that she would continue to monitor the progress of the revenue and give reports back to the board.

Regarding costs associated with implementation of the PT Compact, Ms. French reported that it is estimated that the cost of the Compact would be very minimal. If the Board decides to assess a fee for the compact privilege, the estimated cost for those applying for a privilege in Tennessee will be between \$45 to \$50. The cost to hire a staff member to work on the compact is estimated to be about 75% of this hire's salary, which will be around \$132,735.00 within a four-year period.

5. Tennessee Professional Assistance Program (TNPAP) Report

Mike Harkreader, TNPAP Executive Director presented the statistical report for the period July 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017. TNPAP is currently monitoring ten (10) individuals, four (4) physical therapists and six (6) physical therapist assistants. Out of the ten, none were referred from Tennessee Department of Health.

6. Investigation and Disciplinary Reports

Lori Leonard, Disciplinary Coordinator in the Office of Investigations presented the investigative and disciplinary practitioners report. Ms. Leonard reported, there are nine (9) physical therapists on probation two (2) suspended, and one (1) revoked. There are ten (10) physical therapist assistants on probation, five (5) suspended, three (3) by board order, and three (3) revoked. There are twenty-one (21) open complaints for physical therapists, twelve (12) closed files, and seventeen (17) are being monitored. There are twelve (12) open complaints for physical therapist assistants, seven (7) closed files, and eight (8) are being monitored.

7. Ratifications

Ms. Ballard made a motion, seconded by Ms. Childress, to approve the following lists of PT/PTA initial, reinstatements, and closed applications as presented:

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| PT | Alderfer Jillian Kari |
| PT | Bachman Ashlynn Goodloe |
| PT | Bailey Tracey Lynn ** |
| PT | Baker Lauren Danielle Mrs |
| PT | Ballard Connor Ross |
| PT | Barad Sonal Chavda |
| PT | Bass Jonathan K |
| PT | Bezner Sharon Ann |
| PT | Bibeau Nicholas Ryan |

PT Bixler Danielle Marie
PT Blackwell li Darryl Anthony
PT Blatt Katherine
PT Blurton Nicole Ashley
PT Bossle Jenna Nicole
PT Bowen Lindsay
PT Boyd Sylvester
PT Brazelton Joshua Daniel **
PT Bridges Dustin
PT Brooks Steven Mr
PT Brown Sandra Budach
PT Burns Adam Carson Mr.
PT Burroughs Jordan Nicole
PT Camarena Lucia Alejandra
PT Cambron Christina Marie
PT Casazza Carly Elizabeth
PT Chadwick Jordan Danyelle
PT Chapman Teresa Rachelle Dr.
PT Clayton Ansel Scott
PT Coleman Lina A
PT Collins David Anthony
PT Confer Debra Lynne
PT Conner Christin Ann
PT Cook Ryan Gregory
PT Cress Amanda Margaret
PT Dalzell Millicent
PT Daniels Jeffrey
PT Davis Jordan Beth
PT Delk Austin Harris
PT Dewitt Abigail R
PT Dietze Corey Lynn
PT Domico Lauren
PT Doniz Rochelle Lynne
PT Drews Kathryn
PT Dullea Meaghan
PT Easley Ellen Foerster
PT Edwards Scott Douglas
PT Ely Alexandra Kaye
PT Emberton Taylor Gayle
PT Ennis Loren Dr
PT Feike Courtney Elizabeth
PT Fleming Brandon Matt
PT Flott Alexandra Leigh

PT Flynn-O'Donnell Kimberly
PT Ford Mary Katherine
PT Forrest Julie Ann
PT Frees Alyssa Cheri
PT Friend Corey J.
PT Gaines Corey Lamar
PT Gardner John Walker
PT Ghayal Priya D
PT Gibbens Ashley Marie
PT Goering Christian Alexander
PT Goulooze Nicholas Gene
PT Gregory Mia Mccall
PT Griesenauer Ryan Dr
PT Hall Harrison
PT Harrell Sarah Ann
PT Harris Aaron Michael
PT Hartley-Newman Steven William
PT Heading Natalie Sutter
PT Hendricks Rush Davis DPT Dr.
PT Henley Clint Allen
PT Herstik Miriam Janice **
PT Hines David
PT Hogan Emily Anne
PT Hopper Martha Green **
PT Huey Katherine
PT Hurst Wesley
PT Hutnyan Natalia Elizabeth
PT James Ryan Keaton
PT Jones Tracy Rene
PT Jordan Chase Delane
PT Kaufmann Brian Dr.
PT Kell Maggie Katherine
PT Keller Allison
PT Kennedy Jason Allen
PT Kiel Dustin Tam
PT Kimmett Zak Anthony
PT Knotts Megan Dr
PT Kurtz Jenna Marie
PT Kusek James
PT Labule Winifred Ndubi
PT Lafontaine Emily Jean
PT Lakoff Katrina Leighanne
PT Lanxon Kristin

PT Lester Abby Gail-Dees
PT Ley Joshua Aaron
PT Mahan Michael C
PT Mallory Matthew
PT Manning Shanna Jade
PT Mccormick Meredith Kelsey
PT Mcgrath Jennifer Lynne
PT Millay Benjamin Tyler
PT Moore Jonathan Christian
PT Moran Victor E
PT Morrissey Kathryn Mcgrath
PT Muchiutti Kolbrun
PT Murphy David R
PT Muse Terrell Joseph DR
PT Newsom Brian Christopher
PT Niles Paige Celia
PT Onuoha Okezie Chimuanya DPT Dr.
PT Otten Kelsey Marie
PT Overbey Jordan Nicole
PT Padberg Frank Thomas III Dr.
PT Pearsall Samantha Udinsky
PT Petron Michael
PT Philipp Megan Marie
PT Philipps Laura Elizabeth
PT Pluchino Erin Rose
PT Potter Alexis
PT Quarles Annie Ladd
PT Quizhpi Julissa Concepcion
PT Rapp Donald Carl III
PT Reagan Donald Dr.
PT Reams Kalie Rae
PT Reed Chelsea Marie
PT Rice Alyssa
PT Rice Emmy Louise
PT Rodgers Lisa M.
PT Ronin Sarah Rachel
PT Russell Elizabeth Diane
PT Russell Sourdiffe Jasmine Alexandra
PT Dr.
PT Rutledge Charles Matthew Dr
PT Ryan Brittany Ann
PT Sahley David Michael
PT Salituro Alanna Dr.

PT Scalise Phillip Daniel
PT Scanlon Lauren Grace
PT Schirmer Laura Christine
PT Schoen Roseanne
PT Seals Brittany Ann
PT Seyer Kathryn Michelle
PT Shank David
PT Shephard Meredith Kae
PT Sholes Mary Anna
PT Sims Allison Ritchie
PT Spraetz Laura Ms.
PT Spurgeon Chelsea Brooke
PT Stahl Adrianna Dr.
PT Stocker Mary Gregory
PT Stoens Jessica Carol
PT Stout Kelsey Brianne
PT Tate Trey Anderson
PT Tidwell Elton James
PT Trivison Nicole Ms
PT Vespie Caitlin Galloway
PT Walker Jessica Erin
PT Waller Lauren Kathleen
PT Wertz Hillary
PT Whitefoot Cody Steven
PT Williams Carly Alissa
PT Woodard Chequil
PT Woodard Lisa Anne
PT Woytus Ian Dr
PT Young Jacob Adam
PT Zaveri Priyanka Narendra
PTA Adams Brian
PTA Allen Clint Jeffrey
PTA Allen Stephanie Michelle
PTA Alley Talia Suzanne
PTA Apple Bradford Owen
PTA Baldock Ethan Cole
PTA Barajas Angela Marie Ms
PTA Barnet Ruth Elizabeth
PTA Bayless Autumn Grace
PTA Beauvais Christina Dawn
PTA Bishop Regina Lynn
PTA Blade Jaleesa
PTA Bloomfield Brian Joseph

PTA Bradley Kailey Bradyn
PTA Brakebill Britianny Jane
PTA Brown Justin Andrew
PTA Brownlee Jordan Trotter
PTA Burchett Breanna Hope
PTA Burgener Mayson Deshea
PTA Buss Derek William
PTA Campbell Elizabeth Mashburn
PTA Chin Cesar Adolfo
PTA Cole Devin Scott
PTA Coleman Chandler Elise
PTA Contarino Bethany Lynne
PTA Cook Yong H
PTA Cooper Marleigh Nacole
PTA Crossman Jessica Hindman
PTA Crowder Kathleen Louise
PTA Cuffman Julianne M
PTA Curtis Jessica Ashlyn
PTA Daniels Kelsey Noelle
PTA Denton Tera Chea
PTA Devries Demmie Lindsay
PTA Dullard Matthew Keith
PTA Duncan Thomas Colton
PTA Durst Sara Caitlin
PTA Edwards Matthew John
PTA Erwin Meghan Nichole
PTA Ethridge Landon
PTA Fleming Emily
PTA French Taylor Brooke
PTA Fry Carly Ann
PTA Fuentes Amanda Louise
PTA Gravatt Gabriel
PTA Graves Heath Stephen
PTA Gregory Emily Ann
PTA Griffin Augustus Deon
PTA Hampton Travis Wayne
PTA Harber Allison Christine
PTA Harris Karen Keller
PTA Hart Clay
PTA Hicks Lacey Leann
PTA Holt David Kent
PTA Howard Tabatha
PTA Howell Carly Marie

PTA Hubbuck Ryan Anthony
PTA Hughes James Robert
PTA Hunter Sara Elaine
PTA Inso Dave Joseph
PTA Jones Shalanda Deniece
PTA Kidd Chelsey Danielle
PTA Kilzer Abby Nicole
PTA King Alicia Elizabeth
PTA Labossiere Jeanna Tamaro
PTA Legate Brooke Alyssa
PTA Lind Kayla Brenee
PTA Martin Jamilah Malikah
PTA Mccollum Camille
PTA Mcconnell Molly Caroline
PTA Mckenzie Macey Nicole
PTA Mealer Daniel Ross
PTA Mekhail Susanna M
PTA Miller Matthew
PTA Miller Shannon Clair
PTA Mitchell Emily Alise
PTA Morgan Brittney Layne
PTA Murrell Trista Laine
PTA Newberry Whitney Farren **
PTA Newman Michael
PTA Nimmo Timothy John
PTA Parker Stephen Phillip
PTA Patel Alyssa G
PTA Patel Ripal Rajendrakumar
PTA Pewitt Amanda Grace
PTA Pierce Taylor
PTA Pierson John Clay
PTA Pope Kortney Shea
PTA Prince Anthony James
PTA Reynolds Jamie Daniels
PTA Richesin Lindsay Arndts
PTA Richmond Randell Jamal
PTA Riekeman Brady
PTA Roberts Jessika Danielle PTA
PTA Rogers Lonnell Okoye
PTA Sampietro Lindsey Ann
PTA Schneider Margaret Jean
PTA Sharafadin Najmeh
PTA Shealy Mary Elizabeth

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| PTA | Shephard Hailey Elizabeth |
| PTA | Simpson Shane Allen |
| PTA | Sims Aminee Rae |
| PTA | Smith Carlye Kay |
| PTA | Smith Samantha Ann |
| PTA | Sparks Alivia Brooke |
| PTA | Spence Sierra Hope |
| PTA | Stacy Shannon Lee |
| PTA | Stanley Leigh Anne |
| PTA | Stewart Amanda |
| PTA | Stubblefield Cole Steven |
| PTA | Swafford Keith Elton |
| PTA | Sweeney Rabekah Irene |
| PTA | Taylor Anna Michelle |
| PTA | Tedder Jerry Mitchell JR. ** |
| PTA | Tisdale Shelby Marie |
| PTA | Tussey Jordan |
| PTA | Urbanski Lindsey Marie |
| PTA | Van Valkenburg Brian Paul |
| PTA | Vanorum Brandon David |
| PTA | Walker Hillary M |
| PTA | Ware Jennifer G |
| PTA | White Iv Francis Randall |
| PTA | Woods Colleen Rochelle ** |
| PT | Condon Sue ** |

All names with an asterisk are reinstatement

8. Applicant Interview/File Reviews

A. Charles Dowda, PTA, Applicant- Mr. Dowda was present. Mr. Dowda appeared before the board due to multiple misdemeanor convictions. Mr. Dowda was convicted of four (4) misdemeanor convictions related to simple drug possession and DWI. The last conviction took place in 2002. After discussion, Ms. Childress made a motion, seconded by Ms. Ballard, to issue an unencumbered license given the length of time it has been since his last conviction. The motion carried.

B. Tera Giese, PT Applicant- Ms. Giese was not present. Dr. Barredo recused himself. Ms. Giese’s file was presented to the Board due to multiple misdemeanor convictions. The board reviewed Ms. Giese’s file. After review and discussion, a recommendation was made by Mr. Harris to table her file until the next board meeting to allow Ms. Giese to appear to answer

questions from the Board related to her records. A motion was made by Ms. Childress, seconded by Ms. Ballard, to table the application. The motion carried.

C. Audrea Miller, PTA Applicant- Ms. Miller was present. Ms. Miller appeared before the board due to multiple misdemeanor convictions, a DWI and DUI. Ms. Miller explained to the board that the last conviction occurred in 2013 and she has completed all requirements per court order. After discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Barredo, and seconded by Ms. Childress, to approve Ms. Miller for a license contingent upon completing a favorable TnPAP evaluation. The motion carried.

D. Keith Sharp, PTA Applicant- Mr. Sharp was present. Mr. Sharp appeared before the board due to multiple misdemeanor convictions in 2001 and 2005. Ms. Sharp explained to the board that he has satisfied all requirements requested of him by the court and has not had any incidents in twelve years. After discussion, Ms. Childress made a motion, seconded by Dr. Barredo, to approve Mr. Sharp for an unencumbered license. The motion carried.

E. Jase Taylor, PTA Applicant- Mr. Taylor was present. Mr. Taylor appeared before the board due to a misdemeanor conviction for reckless driving. Mr. Taylor explained to the board that he was on his way to a friend's house when a police officer pursued him. Mr. Taylor stated that all charges were dropped with the exception of the reckless driving conviction. After discussion, Dr. Barredo made a motion, seconded by Ms. Childress, to approve Mr. Taylor for an unencumbered license. The motion carried.

9. Provisional Licenses

A. Prasanth Katam, PT- Mr. Katam was not present. Mr. Katam's file was presented to the Board for review. He requested a provisional license as a foreign-educated applicant by reciprocity and waiver of his Type 1 certification. An evaluation of his education by the Foreign Credentialing Commission on Physical Therapy (FCCPT) shows that he has not achieved Type 1 certification as required by board rule. After further discussion, Ms. Ballard made a motion, seconded by Dr. Barredo, to deny Mr. Katam's request for waiver of the Type 1 certification and recommend that he follow the board consultant's recommendation for obtaining a Type 1 certificate. The motion carried.

B. Lyndsay Pawlikowski, PT- Ms. Pawlikowski was not present. Ms. Pawlikowski's file was presented to the Board for review. She requested a provisional license as a foreign-educated applicant by reciprocity. After discussion, Ms. Childress made a motion, seconded by Dr. Barredo, to grant Ms. Pawlikowski a provisional license with 480 hours of supervised practice under the supervision of a Tennessee licensed physical therapist to be completed within 48 weeks. The motion carried.

C. Manjari Bandi, PT- Ms. Bandi was not present. Ms. Bandi's file was presented to the Board for review. She requested a provisional license as a foreign-educated applicant by reciprocity. After discussion, Ms. Ballard made a motion, seconded by Dr. Barredo, to grant Ms. Bandi a provisional license with 480 hours of supervised practice under the supervision

of a Tennessee license physical therapist, to be completed within 48 weeks. The motion carried.

10. Administrative Report

Tomica Walker presented the following administrator's report:

A. In total, there are 5609 active Physical Therapists and 3741 active Physical Therapist Assistants as of 11/03/2017.

B. Licensure Statistics from 7/22/17 thru 11/3/17:

Physical Therapists

- New Applications Received - 98
- New Licenses Issued— 160
- Reinstated— 4
- Retired – 18
- Expired - 37
- Renewals— 713 (total) as follows:

128-paper
585-online

Physical Therapist Assistants

- New Licenses Received - 147
- New Licenses Issued— 123
- Reinstated— 8
- Retired- 11
- Expired -29
- Renewals— 498 (total) as follows:

111-paper
387 -online

C. Board Composition

All Board positions are filled at this time.

D. Child Support Orders

For this reporting period, no licensee has been issued a Default Child Support Order by Tennessee Department of Human Services, Child Support Division.

F. TSAC Orders

For this reporting period, no licensee has been issued a Default TSAC Order by Tennessee Student Assistance Corporation.

11. **Unit Director's Report**

Michael Sobowale introduced the new Board Manager, Mary Webb.

12. **Correspondence**

1. The Board received correspondence from the Tennessee Physical Therapy Association (TPTA), requesting to be added as one of the reviewers for dry needling courses. Dr. Alan Meade was in attendance to answer questions from the board. The Board discussed that TPTA may be approved as a reviewer and that all recommendations on courses reviewed on the board's behalf will need to be brought back to the board for approval and ratification before being added to the list of approved providers on the board's website. After discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Barredo, seconded by Ms. Childress, to add TPTA as an approved reviewer for dry needling courses. The motion carried.
2. The Board received correspondence from Dr. Ingram regarding interpretation of Rule 1150-01-.12 as it relates to physical therapy lab assistants receiving class II continuing competence education. After discussion, Mr. Sobowale reported that he and the board's advisory attorney, Denard Mickens, has contacted Dr. Ingram with a response and it was concluded that this matter does not relate to physical therapy rules as currently written. No further action was taken.

Dr. Barredo requested that the administrative office put on the February agenda, a discussion regarding FCCPT type 1 certificate.

Another correspondence was received from Jane David, PT, DPT, Program Director at Jackson State Community College. It was reported to the Board that this correspondence has also been responded to by Mr. Sobowale and Mr. Mickens.

13. **Discuss New and Old Board Business**

1. Dr. Luke Bynum, PT, DPT submitted his dry needling course for review. This course was submitted to the dry-needling task force; however, only two (2) members submitted a recommendation to the board. One reviewer approved the course work and the other reviewer recommended a denial with request for additional information. After discussion, Dr. Barredo made a motion, seconded by Ms. Childress, to forward submitted course

materials to TPTA for further review and return to the Board with recommendations. The motion carried.

2. Dr. Alan Meade, DPT requested clarification on how many continuing education (CE) hours a licensee would receive for DPT transitional courses or if they can receive CE credit for this curriculum. Board Consultant, Ms. Brigina Wilkerson discussed that getting a professional degree does not replace continuing education in its entirety.
3. Web-Based CE Tracking RFP- Michael Sobowale, Unit Director, reported to the board that a request for a proposal has been approved for Health-Related Boards to request vendors' proposals to provide services for web-based CE tracking on a five-year pilot project. It is expected that through this mechanism, the Board would be able to maintain CE tracking for licensees in a much more efficient manner. Mr. Sobowale reported that this pilot project would be at no cost to the Board. The Department of Health would have the option to cancel throughout the pilot period if service deliverables are not being met, and also reserve the right to renew or cancel at the end of the initial period of the project.
4. Conferences attended since the last board meeting – Mr. Sobowale thanked the board for granting him the opportunity to attend the Compact Licensure States meeting and the FSPT Annual Meeting in Santa Ana Pueblo, New Mexico. Mr. Sobowale reported that there are a total of thirteen (13) states in the compact, in addition to Tennessee. At this meeting, the Rules and By-Laws governing the licensure compact was adopted by the Compact Commission comprising of and attended by all the States currently in the compact. He also discussed that FSBPT reported at the meeting that the NPTE fee increase of \$485 has been deferred until 2019.

Mr. Sobowale further reported to the Board that Course Work Tool (CWT) 6, as it relates to foreign-trained, non-CAPTE graduates was approved by the Board of Directors and is slated to become effective in January 2018. He reported that the Type 1 certification for PTAs Course Work Tool (CWT) 2, was developed and adopted by FSBPT with an effective date for use slated to begin in February 2018.

5. Mr. Sobowale brought to the attention of the board a request from Dr. Barredo from the last board meeting to discuss the provisional license letter that is issued to foreign trained applicants. The provisional license letter was found to be confusing and in need of updates. Dr. Barredo and several other members, and staff wanted to ensure that the letter has the correct language before being issued. Mr. Harris suggested that Dr. Barredo lead a task force to be set up to investigate the issue of provisional license letters that will be suitable for board use.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Dr. Barredo moved to adjourn the meeting and the motion was seconded by Ms. Ballard. The meeting was adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

David Harris, Board Chair

Date

These minutes were ratified by the board at the February 9, 2018 meeting.