

**BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY  
MINUTES**

DATE: February 12, 2021

TIME: 9:00 AM CST

LOCATION: Iris Conference Room—Meeting held via WebEx  
665 Mainstream Drive, 1st Floor  
Nashville, TN 37243

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Harris, PT Board Chair  
LeAnn F. Childress, PT, Board Secretary  
Ronald Barredo, PT Board Member  
Jane David, PT Board Member

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kelly O'Connor

STAFF PRESENT: Noranda French, Unit Director  
Mary V. Bennett, Unit Manager  
Kara Love, Board Administrator  
Thomasina Scharkey, Board Administrator  
Lara Gill, Senior Associate General Counsel  
Ajana Britton, Legal Assistant  
Alicia Grice, Fiscal Service Director  
Courtney Lilly, Disciplinary Coordinator

GUESTS PRESENT: Teresa Phillips, TnPAP Representative  
Zach Sutton, PT, DPT  
Allen Meade, TPTA  
Lou Alsobrooks, Legislative Liaison  
Karen Coker-Smith, Board Consultant  
Brigina Wilkerson, Board Consultant

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**I. Call to Order**

A roll call of Board Members was initiated, by Noranda French, Unit Director. With a quorum present, the meeting started at 9:14am.

**II. Introduction of New HRB Director and General Counsel for TN Department of Health**

George Darden, HRB Director addressed the board and introduced himself. Grant Mullins, General Counsel for TN Department of Health was not present.

### **III. Review and Approve Minutes from Previous Meetings**

After a review of the November 13, 2020 minutes, LeAnn Childress made a motion to approve the minutes with spelling corrections made, Ronald Barredo seconded the motion. David Harris initiated a roll call vote; Ronald Barredo, aye, LeAnn Childress, aye, Jane David, aye, the motion carried.

### **IV. Receive reports and/or requests from the Office of General Counsel**

Lara Gill, Senior Associate General Counsel, asked the board to entertain a motion to approve the redline rules as written. Ronald Barredo made a motion to move forward with rules as written with allowances of grammatical corrections by the Office of General Counsel, without any other rule's taskforce meetings needed, Jane David seconded the motion. David Harris initiated a roll call vote; Ronald Barredo, aye, LeAnn Childress, aye, Jane David, aye, the motion carried.

Lara Gill, Senior Associate General Counsel, announced a Contested Case scheduled for May 7, 2021, against a Physical Therapist.

Lara Gill, Senior Associate General Counsel, reported that there are currently zero (0) appeals, seven (7) open cases, six (6) are Physical Therapist, one (1) are Physical Therapist Assistants.

Lara Gill, Senior Associate General Counsel, provided the board with Executive Order 73, with a summary that, the order extends emergency provisions that remain due to COVID, reminding the board of their decision to practice telehealth. She also provided the board members with Status of Compact Adoption 2020-2021 Legislative Sessions report.

Lara Gill, Senior Associate General Counsel, presented the board members with a Consent Order for Russell A Morris Jr. --- PT No. 6642.

Ronald Barredo made a motion to approve the Consent Order as written, LeAnn Childress seconded the motion. David Harris initiated a roll call vote; Ronald Barredo, aye, LeAnn Childress, aye, Jane David, aye, the motion carried.

### **V. Receive reports and/or requests from the Office of Investigations**

Courtney Lilly, reported twelve (12) new complaints for Physical Therapists; two (2): false reporting, one (1): action in another state, two (2): malpractice, three (3): unprofessional conduct, one (1): violation of order, one (1) : medical records request, two (2): criminal conviction. Twelve (12) complaint cases were closed; one (1): insufficient, five (5): sent to OGC for discipline, three (3): no action, three (3): warnings.

Ms. Lilly reported seven (7) new complaints for Physical Therapist Assistants; one (1): sexual misconduct, two (2): action in another state, one (1): criminal charges, one (1): malpractice, two (2): unprofessional conduct. six (6) complaints were closed; two (2): insufficient, one (1): no action, three (3): warnings.

Ms. Lilly reported for Physical Therapist that she has received two (2) new complaints; one (1): substance abuse, one (1): unlicensed practice, no complaints have been closed.

Ms. Lilly reported for Physical Therapist Assistants that she has not received any new complaints. Currently have eight (8) open complaints.

### **VI. Receive reports and/or request from Division of Health Licensure and Regulation**

Alicia Grice, Fiscal Services Director, presented the board members with the Mid Year 2021 Financial Report, and the Tennessee Board of Physical Therapy mid-year ends in the black.

<b>Tennessee Board of Physical Therapy Examiners</b>	
Analysis of Operating Expenditures and Carryover Balance	
FY2017 Operating Expenditures	\$ 270,646.51
FY2018 Operating Expenditures	\$ 300,274.64
FY2019 Operating Expenditures	\$ 296,879.64
3 Year Average of the Annual Operating Expenditures	\$ 289,266.93
2 Times 3 Year Average of the Annual Operating Expenditures	\$ 578,533.86
2019 Cumulative Carryover Balance	\$ 613,449.34
FY2018 Operating Expenditures	\$ 300,274.64
FY2019 Operating Expenditures	\$ 296,879.64
FY2020 Operating Expenditures	\$ 400,866.55
3 Year Average of the Annual Operating Expenditures	\$ 332,673.61
2 Times 3 Year Average of the Annual Operating Expenditures	\$ 665,347.22
2020 Cumulative Carryover Balance	\$ 554,153.70
Cumulative carryover does not exceed two times the three-year average of operating expenditures.	

**VII. Applicant Interview/Review**

- a. Samantha Daily PTA --- File No. 7726 – After board members reviewed the charges of Aggravated Assault, Reckless Endangerment and Hit and Run of a person; Jane David made a motion to approve Samantha Daily PTA application, LeAnn Childress seconded the motion. David Harris initiated a roll call vote; LeAnn Childress, aye, Ronald Barredo, aye, Jane David, aye, the motion carried.
- b. Nicholas Tucker PTA --- File No. 7607 – After board members reviewed the charges of Domestic Assault, Ronald Barredo made a motion to defer this case until May 7, 2021, when Nicholas Tucker will provide proof of disposal of the probation violation charges, LeAnn Childress seconded the motion. David Harris initiated a roll call vote; LeAnn Childress, aye, Ronald Barredo, aye, Jane David, aye, the motion carried.
- c. Eugene Fink Jr. PTA --- File No. 13489 -- After board members reviewed, and discussed Mr. Fink’s request to be waived of the educational requirements, to obtain a license in Tennessee to practice, Jane David made a motion to deny Eugene Fink Jr. application, Ronald Barredo seconded the motion. David Harris initiated a roll call vote; LeAnn Childress, aye, Ronald Barredo, aye, Jane David, aye, the motion carried.

**VIII. Receive report from Tennessee Professional Assistance Program (TnPAP)**

Teresa Phillips reported from July 1, December 30, 2020 that one (1) Physical Therapist Assistants were being monitored, and one (1) was discharged.

**IX. Review, approve/deny and ratify initial determinations**

**Ratification of Initial Determinations**

November 6, 2020 --- February 8, 2021	
Compact Physical Therapist & Physical Therapist Assistant Newly Licensed	
Anderson Tyler Chad	Moore Sandy S
Balogun Abiola Okeyode	Myers Patrick Christopher
Bondoc Louigi Nicdao	Quam Kelsey Leigh
Bowen Sandricka Marsha	Roark Nathan
Camilleri Nicholas	Velasco Raymund R
Carlson Nathaniel James	Walsh Katie Colleen
Chleborad Andrew	Yanine Isabella
Clark Debbie Lynn	Daniels Melissa Shawn
Darnell Leila	Hall William Travis
De La Silva Bryan Kristoffer Gacita	Hand Jonathan
Hester Bryn Lee	Jones Loren Cody
Hsing Claire	Legate Brooke Alyssa
Kays Cynthia S	Mccooy Madison
Melius Diane Averill	Scott Mary Beth
Miller Molly	Skinner Alisia Tarace
Adams Ethan Cole Dr.	

Physical Therapist & Physical Therapist Assistant Newly Licensed	
Austin Warren Stephen	Ridenour Kristin
Barge Asmita	Rohyans Sharon Elizabeth
Barnhill Brock Dr.	Roncarati Michael Joseph
Beisel Olga Lucia	Rush Katlyn Jo
Black Allyson Dr.	Russo Maredith Anne
Bobby Janine Lorraine	Sheehan Amanda Marie
Bohanan Blake Logan	Shem Victor Ochieng
Brady Leviticus Allen	Smith Cory
Brower Courtney	Smith Sarah Althea
Burkhart Hannah	Snyder Ashlan Snyder
Carlson Rachel Virginia Ms.	Stanton Matthew Hunter Dr.
Chafin Toni Rae	Stephens Amanda
Church Adam Weston	Stevens Adam Harvey
Colantonio Danielle	Suan X Lugatiman
Cooper Olivia	Sueing Elizabeth Camille Curry
Dicenso Philip Mark	Thompson Jaylene Dr.
Djire Bill Dr	Tollakson Michelle
Djire Mary Caldwell	Tretinik-Miller Amy Lucedi
Downing Kelsey	Trimble Christpher
Duval Devin Dr.	Underwood Melvin
Dziwulski Kathryn	Valdez Andrea Dr.
Edwards Elizabeth Ashlyn	Young Melanie
Elkhatib Hassan Mr.	Allen Tiny Diane Mrs
Emiren Thomas Alexander	Buchanan Jacob

Eton Stephanie Dr.	Bushey James Lee
Faustino Mercedita David	Campbell Jordan
Flanagan Mark C Dr.	Cochran Benjamin Thomas
Flora Elisabeth	Cookston Jordan Daniel
Forrester Diane Regina	Davis Meghan
Forrester Ragan	Davis Toni
Frank Rachael	Dowdy Jennifer
Frens Mark	Ferwanah Sarah
Gambrell Whitney	Fulton Ryan E
Gaston Jordan	Goldsboro Karli Lynn
Greenway Joshua	Howard Rebekah Marquelle
Guin Kiel Dr.	Iles Lauren
Hagerty Kathleen	Jean Serge Jr
Henry Benjamin Michael	Johnston Shelby
Hershberger Kyle G	Kindhart Donald
Holden Joshua	King Rebekah
Holmes Taylor	Klausner Kris Klausner Mr
Horn Robert	Kunik Sarah
Howard Megan	Landis Shara
Jefferies Tolbert Dewayne	Lovegrove Erin Lee
Jenkins Taylor Rose	Martin Autumn
Jones Ashley P.	Melton Matthew Warren
Keller Manette	Pereira Julie Jane Manhães
Kirby Maria Roswitha	Reeves Braden Scott
Levine Aaron	Richards Michelle Lynn
Manuel Leslie Marie Mrs.	Roberts Lawson Michael PTA
Marren Jeana	Rosewicz Viviance
Martin Juan Michelle Latoya Dr	Smith Narah Candace
Mcateer James Scott	Stewart Abby
Mcgill Curt	Taylor Lonnie
Midgett Joseph	Watson David Douglas
Muth Richard Oliver	Wood Hannah
Nguyen Dan	Zegarzewski Tracy
Payton Carlie Savannah	Pratt Jamie Ileana
Pineda Enrique	Quail Mindy
Potena Domenica Beth Dr	Refka Nick

<b>Physical Therapist &amp; Physical Therapist Assistant Reinstatements</b>	
Collins Kirklan George	Young Jameka Racinta
Hamric Mitch	Burja Sebastian
Horton Riggs "Harwell"	Dowda Charles D
Mccormick Lesa Jean	Hayes Amy Welch
Tillery William James	Pippin John William
White Zachary C	Standback Tandra Nicole

Physical Therapist & Physical Therapist Assistant Closed Files	
Aldi Kelsey	Burks Sonja Camilla
Boehm Ashley Marie	Carcone Amanda Mrs.
Colaco Sean Martin	Chaudhari Zeel Bharatbhai
Dickerson Megan Katherine	Cook Thomas
Handel Allison Marie	Crisp Brooke
Haskell Ryan	Fernandez Kenneth Mr.
Hawley Christian Alexander Dr	Frommel Annette
Hsu Elie	Gelaye Worknesh B
Jean Sara Harrell	Glisson Pamela Michelle Mrs.
Keelon Collin James PTA	Howell Destiny
Mapes Chad Mr.	Isom Keshawn
Mathis Zachary	Kaarengala Vineela
Mehany Sally Magdy	Kuhns Wendy Marie Ms.
Moraga Cocel Ann	Martineau Ming
Newhouse Samantha Lea	Moore Kirsty
Olotu William Oluwasegun Mr	Mullins Claire Rayburn
Parrish Andrew Dr.	Newsome Tonyeshia Jana
Phelps Brittany	Sanders Jelissa
Richter Christopher	Sharp Christian Adam Mr.
Santhosh Pheba	Smith Lillie Renea
Seahorn Jason	Straughen Christina
Shah Hetali Binoy	Suero Ingrid
Spackler John Montgomery	Swierkosz Michael Janusz
Walker Kathryn	Treadway Jeffrey Alan JR
Ward Whitney Marie	Walkup Graicyn
Adam Kimberly L	White Todd Preston
Bolton Kaylee	Williams Brooke Loye
Britton Riley	Williams Angelica
Bunch Brittany Nikole	Worley David

- a. LeAnn Childress made a motion to ratify newly compacted Physical Therapist and Physical Therapist Assistants, Ronald Barredo seconded the motion. David Harris initiated a roll call vote; LeAnn Childress, aye, Jane David, aye, Ronald Barredo, aye, the motion carried.
- b. LeAnn Childress made a motion to ratify newly license Physical Therapist and Physical Therapist Assistants, Ronald Barredo seconded the motion. David Harris initiated a roll call vote; LeAnn Childress, aye, Jane David, aye, Ronald Barredo, aye, the motion carried.
- c. LeAnn Childress made a motion to ratify the closed files, Ronald Barredo seconded the motion. David Harris initiated a roll call vote; LeAnn Childress, aye, Jane David, aye, Ronald Barredo, aye, the motion carried.
- d. LeAnn Childress made a motion to ratify reinstated Physical Therapist and Physical Therapist Assistants, Ronald Barredo seconded the motion. David Harris initiated a roll call vote; LeAnn Childress, aye, Jane David, aye, Ronald Barredo, aye, the motion carried.

## **X. Receive reports and/or requests from the Administrative Office**

### STATISTICAL REPORT

Kara Love, Board Administrator, reported the following report:

The following are the total active licensees as of February 8, 2021:

PT	PTA
Active Licensees – 6261	Active Licensees - 4141
New applications received - 186	New applications received - 278
New licenses issued – 66	New licenses issued - 87
Reinstated – 20	Reinstated - 10
Renewals – 805	Renewals - 540
Provisional License – 0	Provisional License - 0
Retired -- 28	Retired - 17
Expired -- 71	Expired - 62
Closed Files -- 25	Closed Files - 33

Thomasina Scharkey, Board Administrator, reported the compact report as follows:

The following are the total active licensees as of November 10, 2020:

Active Privileges – 190
CPT/CPTA
New CPT privileges issued – 23
New CPTA privileges issued-8
Number of renewals - 49
Expired - 62
Terminated - 11

## **XI. Discuss and take action, if needed, regarding correspondence**

- a. Telehealth Discussion – no further discussion. 63-1-155 was amended, if a license is held under title 63, telehealth can be practiced.
- b. Scope of Practice regarding FMCSA – Deferred to May 7, 2021 Board Meeting  
  
11:07am five (5) minute break, 11:15am return from break. Noranda French initiated an attendance roll call, with all members present the meeting continued.
- c. Neha Mehta – Provisional Extension Request – LeAnn Childress made a motion to grant Neha Mehta a six (6) month extension not including telehealth, to complete her provisional requirements, Ronald Barredo seconded the motion. David Harris initiated a roll call vote; LeAnn Childress, aye, Ronald Barredo, aye, Jane David, aye, the motion carried.
- d. Tracey Bailey – Pardon CE Letter –Jane David made a motion to accept the letter as written to approve extension for CE requirements, Ronald Barredo seconded the motion. David Harris initiated a roll call vote; LeAnn Childress, aye, Ronald Barredo, aye, Jane David, aye, the motion carried.
- e. Ronald Barredo made a motion to approve Dry Needling Course Neurological Dry Needling for Pain Management & Sports Rehabilitation 2020-277, Jane David seconded

the motion. David Harris initiated a roll call vote; LeAnn Childress, aye, Ronald Barredo, aye, Jane David, aye, the motion carried.

- f. Ronald Barredo made a motion to approve Dry Needling Course Advanced Neurological DN for Pain Management & Performance Enhancement 2020-278, Jane David seconded the motion. David Harris initiated a roll call vote; LeAnn Childress, aye, Ronald Barredo, aye, Jane David, aye, the motion carried.

## **XII. Discuss and take action, if needed, regarding legislation**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 13, relative to physical therapy.  
--- No action needed by the Board, for discussion purposes.

## **XIII. Discuss and take action, regarding rulemaking hearings, rule amendments, and policies**

Revision of Physical Therapy Practice Act – Ronald Barredo made a motion to approve the revisions of the physical therapy practice act, as discussed by Lara Gill and David Harris. LeAnn Childress seconded the motion. David Harris initiated a roll call vote; LeAnn Childress, aye, Ronald Barredo, aye, Jane David, aye, the motion carried.

## **XIV. Discuss Old/New Board Business**

N/A

## **XV. Election of Officers**

Noranda French, Board Director, opened the floor for Board Chair nominations. LeAnn Childress nominated David Harris as Board Chair, David Harris, accepted the nomination, Jane David seconded the nomination. Noranda French initiated a roll call vote; Jane David, aye, LeAnn Childress, aye, Ronald Barredo, aye, the nomination carried.

Noranda French, Board Director, opened the floor for Board Secretary nominations. Jane David nominated LeAnn Childress as Board Secretary, LeAnn Childress, accepted the nomination, Ronald Barredo seconded the nomination. Noranda French initiated a roll call vote; Jane David, aye, David Harris, aye, Ronald Barredo, aye, the nomination carried.

## **Upcoming Board Meeting Dates**

February 4, 2022  
May 13, 2022  
August 12, 2022  
November 11, 2022

LeAnn Childress made a motion to ratify the 2022 Board Meeting dates, Jane David seconded the motion. David Harris initiated a roll call vote; LeAnn Childress, aye, Ronald Barredo, aye, Jane David, aye, the motion carried.



## **Adjournment**

There being no other business to discuss, a motion was made by Ronald Barredo, seconded by Jane David, to adjourn the February 12, 2021 board meeting at 12:05, pm. David Harris initiated a roll call vote; LeAnn Childress, aye, Ronald Barredo, aye, Jane David, aye, the motion carried.

THESE MINUTES WERE RATIFIED AT THE MAY 7, 2021 BOARD MEETING