

**BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
MINUTES**

DATE: March 6, 2014

TIME: 9:00 AM CST

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeremy Keough, OT, Chair
Amy Burba, OT, Secretary
Donna Carron, OTA

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jewell Davis, Consumer Member
Dr. Ruth Ford, OT

STAFF PRESENT: Marva Swann, Board Director
Brian Radford, Board Administrator
Jennifer Putnam, Assistant General Counsel
Michael Sobawale, Office of Investigations

GUESTS: Robert Cox, Jr., Applicant
Wesley Dassing, Applicant
Gwenn Case, Applicant
John Williams, Tennessee Occupational Therapy Association
Elaine Eaton, Tennessee Professional Assistance Program

With a quorum present, Jeremy Keough, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM.

Minutes

Ms. Burba made a motion, seconded by Ms. Carron, to approve the minutes of November 14, 2013. The motion carried.

Office of General Counsel

Ms. Putnam presented the following OGC report:

A. Litigation

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There is one (1) Consent Order that will be presented for ratification.

B. Legislation

HB1605/SB1528 – Amends sunset law to extend the Board of Occupational Therapy to June 30, 2019. This bill became Public Chapter 630 and was effective March 17, 2014.

C. Rules

There are no pending rules at this time.

Consent Order

Daniel E. Hayes, OTA license #577 – Mr. Hayes was not present and was not represented by counsel. Ms. Jennifer Putnam, Assistant General Counsel, presented the Consent Order to the Board for ratification. On or about August 8, 2013, Mr. Hayes entered into a best interest plea for misdemeanor theft. Mr. Hayes agreed to the probation of his license for one (1) year. A motion was made by Ms. Carron, seconded by Ms. Burba, to accept the Consent Order. The motion carried.

Investigation Report

There were no open OT complaints and one (1) open OTA pending complaint in Investigations as of March 6, 2014. There were four (4) OTs and two (2) OTAs being monitored during this period.

TnPAP Report

Representing TnPAP, Ms. Elaine Eaton reported one (1) individual being monitored for the period of July 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013. Ms. Eaton requested the necessity of increasing the fees to \$17,000. Ms. Putnam discussed the specifications of how the Board will need to vote and how the financial department will need to analyze the fees after TnPAP sends them a fee analysis. Ms. Burba made a motion, seconded by Ms. Carron, to continue the contract of TnPAP and increase the fee amount after TnPAP provided a cost analysis to the financial department. The motion carried.

Correspondence

Template LCCA was approved for use as a supervisory template by those Occupational Therapists who supervise Occupational Therapist Assistants. The Board discussed editing the template to use initials instead of a file number for confidentiality purposes. Ms. Carron made

a motion, seconded by Ms. Burba to approve the template for use for supervision and to place on the Board’s website for download. The motion carried.

Applicant Interview

- A. **Wesley Dassing, OTA** – Mr. Dassing is seeking licensure as an OTA by Reciprocity. There were findings of convictions on his criminal background check. After interview and discussion, Ms. Carron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Burba, to approve licensure to Mr. Dassing. The motion carried.

- B. **Gwenn Case, OTA** – Ms. Case is seeking licensure as an OTA by Reciprocity. Ms. Case was on probation with the Occupational Therapy Board of Mississippi. After interview and discussion, Ms. Burba made a motion, seconded by Ms. Carron, to approve licensure to Ms. Case. The motion carried.

- C. **Robert Cox, Jr., OTA** – Mr. Cox is seeking licensure as an OTA by Exam. There were findings of convictions on his criminal background check. After interview and discussion, Ms. Burba made a motion, seconded by Ms. Carron, to approve licensure to Mr. Cox on condition of TnPAP review report. The motion carried.

Administrative Report

As of March 5, 2013, there are 2294 active OT’s and 1236 active OTA’s.

Licensure status totals since the last board meeting for the months of November 2013 through March 5, 2013 are as follows:

	OT	OTA
New Licenses	57	25
Reinstatements	7	3
Retired	5	1

A total of 321 OT licenses were renewed during this period with 220 licenses renewed online. A total of 165 OTA licenses were renewed during this period with 116 licenses renewed online.

Ratifications

Ms. Burba made a motion, seconded by Ms. Carron, to approve the following list of newly licensed occupational therapists and reinstatements;

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AMANDA LEIGH ALFROD
ANNE MARIE AMATO
MARY VIRGINIA BARNETT
ELIZABETH COURTNEY BAUMER
AMANDA KATHLEEN BOONE
JESSI CARLING BRYANT
ANNA LAUREN CAFFEY
CHRISTINA CLAIRE CANNON
REBEKAH KATE CHASTAIN
MARY ELIZABETH COLLIER
CANDICE LEI COPESKY
KRISTEL DAWN CROFFOOT
LAUREN RILEY DAMIANI
HOLLIE PATRICE DAVIS
TRACEY LYNN DAVIS
SUSAN ELAINE DEMPSEY
MARCELA ESTRADA
KELLI JO FINNEGAN
NICOLE MARIE GEEN
MELISSA RICHELLE GREEN
BAILIE BERLIN HARDIN
COLE LEE HARMON
STEPHANIE MARIE HAYDEN
MARY JO HELLMAN
JOHN BRADLEY HOLT
VICTORIA LYNN HOPSON
JACLYNN ROSE JOHNSON
DEE' TABOR KENNEDY

TERRY M. LEWIS, JR
SAMANTHA LAUREN LONG
LESLIE LYNN LOONEY
DAVID SCOTT MCGUIRE
RACHEL DAWN MITCHELL
RACHEL SUZANNE MOODY
ALLISON MICHELLE NAUMAN
KATHERINE BRIANNE PELLETIER
KATINA SUSAN PETROFF
APRIL KIMBERLY ROMEO
EMILY CATHERINE ROWE
LYNDIE GRACE SCRAM
ANDRA JEANETTE SINGLETON
ALLISON MARIE SMITH
PATRICIA LOUISE SMITH
BETHANY JO STEPHENS
VACARRI MONIQUE STEWART
KEILA Y STILWELL-HERNANDEZ
ROBERT DAVID STRIKER
THERESA ELIZABETH SUMRELL
JENNIFER ELIZABETH TATE
LARIELLE KORYN TAYLOR
HEATH WILLIAM TIDDWELL
LAUREN ELISE WILLIAMS
LINDSAY BROOK WILLIAMS
KAYLA MARIE WILLIS
JEREMY BRICE WOODY

REINSTATEMENTS

DEANA KAY JACKSON
PAMELA J. JONES
ALLISON MCCULLOUGH MARTIN
JILL ANNE RIFKIN

LAUREN EMILY SIKORA
KATHERINE E. TILLMAN
LELIA JUNE WAYCASTER

The motion carried.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANTS

Ms. Burba made a motion, seconded by Ms. Carron, to approve the following list of newly licensed occupational therapist assistants and reinstatements;

ELIZABETH ROSE APPLEBY
MATTHEW OWEN BRITTAIN
BRADLEY ALAN DAMRON
TINA JOE DAVIS

ANGELA GAYLE MCNABB
DANIELLE ALYSE NATION
ERIKA NICOLE NORTH
ELIJAH TOY OWENS

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CHRISTOPHER LAWRENCE DYE
SAMANTHA DANIELLE ENGLISH
TRACEY ANN GREEN
EMILY ELIZABETH HATMAKER
REBECCA ESTELLE HESS
TITUS C JEFFERSON
CYNTHIA D LEMASTER
DORIS LOPEZ-EVANS
KELLY SHAFFREY MALLORY

SHARON LEE PACKER
WENDI LYNNE PORIOR
CABRIEL ASCION ABALO RADER
KASEY JO ROBERTS
CATHEY LYNNE SILLS-LEWIS
FELICIA CHALET STAKELY
DUSTIN ALLAN WILSON
DEBORAH SUE WOODING-CALCAGNI

REINSTATEMENTS

BRITTANY LYNN BRYANT
STACEY LYNN FRAKER

CHELSEA LEIGH FULTON

The motion carried.

Election of Officers

By a unanimous vote, Mr. Keough remains as Board Chair and Ms. Burba remains as Secretary.

Adjournment

With no further discussions, the meeting adjourned at 9:53 AM.

Jeremy Keough, OT, Chair

Date