



State of Louisiana
Department of Health and Hospitals
Louisiana Physical Therapy Board

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AGENDA

June 21, 2011

- 4:30 Call Meeting to order
- 4:35 Meeting with Adam Lafleur
- 4:45 Meeting with Harold Cheffin
- 5:00 Meeting with Joseph Heath Clampit
- 7:00 Minutes of May board meeting
PT Board/LPTA rule meeting
- 7:30 Reports
 - Chairman's Report
 - Treasurer's Report
 - May 2011 actual vs budget
 - Securities
 - Executive Director's Report
- 8:15 Monitoring Disciplined Therapists Report
- 8:45 Rules and Regulations Update
- 9:00 Legal
- 9:15 Unfinished Business
 - Task Tracker
 - Dry needling course
 - Correspondence
 - PTA supervision
 - Pain Elimination Techniques Letter
 - Please help me become a licensed PTA!!
 - Provision of equipment for self-injurious behavior
 - Question for the Board Dry Needling
 - Supplements
 - I have a question
 - Ultrasound_PVT
 - Temp Permit
- 9:45 New Business
 - Reappointment of Jerry Jones
- 10:00 Board Monthly Call Discussion

Recess for evening

June 22, 2011

- 8:30 Board preparation on process
- 9:00 Formal Hearing, Cassius Ekhaton
- 11:00 Investigation Summary Reports (one-on-one meetings)
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:30 Adjournment

LOUISIANA PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD

June 21 & 22, 2011

ACCEPTED

Proceedings for the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board, taken in regular session on Wednesday, June 21, 2011, at 104 Fairlane Drive, Lafayette, LA 70507. Jerry Jones, Jr., Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. A quorum of members was present. Board members present were: Jerry Jones, Jr., Teresa Maize, Al Moreau, III, Donna "Dee" Cochran, Dan Wood, Gerald Leglue and Danny Landry. Cheryl Gaudin, Executive Director, Glenn Ducote, attorney, George Papale, attorney, and Don Evans, Administrative Investigator were present.

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ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the May 2011 board meeting were accepted as written.

Minutes of the May 2011 PT Board/LPTA rule meeting were accepted as written.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand for the month of May 2011 was \$1,007,908.97. Receipts for May 2011 totaled \$14,606.35 and expenses totaled \$43,712.83.

Proceeds from the CD that matured at Union Bank were used to open a new CD at the Bank of Montgomery. The CD is in the amount of \$300,000, at a 1% interest rate for a 9 month term.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

None

MONITORING DISCIPLINED THERAPISTS

The board requested Advisory Committee Member Tina Gunaldo conduct a monitor visit with Michael Johnston prior to the July board meeting. Johnston will be contacted and asked to meet with the board at the July meeting.

Staff will update the probation time for Amy Stewart to include the amount of time in which Stewart did not practice as a PTA in Louisiana for at least 20 hours per week.

Glenn Ducote will write to Joseph Heath Clampit requesting documentation indicating a deadline for providing the documentation to the board.

Donna "Dee" Cochran will conduct a monitor visit with Carrie Signal.

Staff will contact Allison Roux and request a monitor visit with Matthew Slimming and Miles Becnel, Jr. Staff will schedule Matthew Slimming to meet with the board at August board meeting.

PROPOSED RULES AND REGULATIONS

Draft language of revised proposed rule language was approved. The proposed language will be forwarded to the La Register for publication in the July 20th issue indicating a public hearing will be held at the Board office on Wednesday, August 24th at 6:30.

NEW BUSINESS

Governor Bobby Jindal reappointed Jerry Jones, Jr. as a Board Member to serve a second three year term which will expire on April 21, 2014.

CORRESPONDENCE

Michael Wilchens, PT is working in a SNF setting and asked for clarification with regards to PTA supervision. (1) If a PT is supervising 4 PTAs, one of them is a temporary permittee, and a rehab technician (being paid under nursing as a CAN), does this meet the supervision ratio? (2) If there are 2 OTs and 2 to 3 COTAs in the rehab department, does this put me over the supervision ratio? (3) When a patient switches from Medicare A to Medicare B, does a PT need to see the patient and do a complete new evaluation or does writing an order in the patient chart to continue under Medicare B allow the PTA to continue with the visits until the sixth visit? (3) Are PTAs still issued a temporary permit? (4) Is a PT required to inform the board when changing jobs and what PTAs he will be supervising? If so, how do I inform the board? Staff will respond to Mr. Wilchens.

Lynn Inzerella, PT wrote to the board asking for reconsideration of the denial of a course presented by Stephen Kaufman, DC titled "*Pain Elimination Techniques*". The board researched the course and denied the course.

Tina Henry, PTA graduate requested assistance in obtaining a license to practice in Louisiana. Henry applied to Kansas for licensure. Her application indicated prior legal issues which must be investigated prior to licensure issuance. The board has not received an application from Henry, but indicated the process of investigation of her legal issues would also have to be investigated.

Brett Domangue, PT indicated a patient in their clinic under treatment of psychology to address a significant history of self-injurious behavior including kicking himself in the shin with the opposite foot and hitting himself in the head/face. The PT was asked to supply a protective helmet and a shin guard due to this self-injurious behavior. Does the provision of this equipment fall under the La Physical Therapy Practice Act?

Virginia B. Davis, PT, MA of Crescent City Physical Therapy requested an update as to when La PTs would be able to perform "Dry Needling"? Staff will respond to Ms. Davis.

Brian Soignier, PT requested clarification as to whether PTs may sell nutritional OTC supplements in the clinic. The board determined there is nothing in the La Physical Therapy Practice Act prohibiting the sale of such supplements.

Stephanie deSouza reported her physician referred her to Lewy Physical Therapy for PT. On her second visit, she was treated by a PTA and asked if this was proper to be seen only by a PTA. Teresa Maize will draft a response to deSouza.

David Buckner, PT reported he is practicing in an acute care hospital. If a patient had a TKA on 6/2/11 and has an order in the chart that indicated the patient is to have ultrasound on 6/4/11 to L leg to rule out DVT, can the patient still be treated before the ultrasound is done if the physician writes an order that it is okay to continue with PT prior to ultrasound being done? The physician does not think the patient has a DVT, but the PT is not willing to risk to the patient if there is a problem and the PT should have used better clinical judgment.

Christopher M. Rawls, temporary permittee requested an extension of his permit which expires on 8/10/11. His 60 day permit was issued for re-examination which is scheduled for 9/7/11. The board determined the current rules allow for a 60 day temporary permit after a 1st failure, so the permit will not be extended. Staff will respond to Mr. Rawls.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

TASK TRACKER

Staff contacted Chris Davis for assistance with obtaining information of a dry needling course offered by Dr. Yun Tao Ma. The course indicated only 46 hours duration. The proposed rule language will require certificate of completion of a continuing education dry needling course with a minimum of 50 contact hours. Davis contacted Dr. Yun Tao Ma and received a response that Louisiana students would receive 24 contact hours for the first course and 26 contact hours for the second part of the course.

The meeting was recessed at 11:30 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Thursday, June 22nd at 8:30 a.m. A quorum of members was present. Board members present were: Jerry Jones, Jr., Teresa Maize, Al Moreau, III, Donna "Dee" Cochran, Dan Wood, Gerald Leglue and Danny Landry. Cheryl Gaudin, Executive Director, Glenn Ducote, attorney, George Papale, attorney, and Don Evans, Administrative Investigator were present.

LEGAL

Glenn Ducote and George Papale reported speaking to Katrina Jackson, attorney representing Johan Smith. Ms. Jackson requested a continuance of the Johan Smith formal hearing which was to take place on Thursday morning. The continuance was granted to Ms. Jackson. Counsel suggested the matter be calendared for Thursday, July 21st at 9 a.m.

George Papale reported on a review of an application submitted by George Papashvili. The board decided to move the application forward to have Mr. Papashvili scheduled for an interview in Lafayette at the board office.

A Formal Hearing began at 9:00 a.m. with Cassius Ekhatior. A court reporter was present to record the proceedings. George Papale was prosecutor for the La Physical Therapy Board and Glenn Ducote; attorney participated as the Hearing Officer. Mr. Ekhatior represented himself in the proceedings.

OTHER BUSINESS

BOARD MEMBER MONTHLY CALLS

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.
Submitted by Cheryl Gaudin