

**Louisiana Physical Therapy Board
Minutes**

Thursday December 3, 2015

APPROVED

Proceedings for the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board, taken in regular session on Thursday December 3, 2015 at 104 Fairlane Drive, Lafayette, LA 70507. A quorum of members were present. Board members present were: Chairman, Al Moreau, III, Secretary/Treasurer, Danny P. Landry, Board members, Don Cassano, Kristina Lounsberry, Elizabeth "Beth" Austin, and Patrick Cook. Charlotte Martin, Executive Director; Amanda Lafleur, Director of Operations; Board Attorneys, Courtney P. Newton and George Papale were also present.

Board member, Dr. Gerald Leglue was not present at the meeting.

Chairman Al Moreau, III called the meeting to order at 8:00am.

Agenda

The board members reviewed and unanimously approved the agenda.

Advisory Committee Member Interviews

The Board proceeded to interview applicants for Advisory Committee Member Vacancies. The Board interviewed eleven applicants from different work settings and geographical locations around the state. The Board will make the final decisions on the Committee Members at the January Board meeting.,

Minutes

The board members reviewed the minutes and unanimously approved the minutes as amended.

Special Programs – Covalent Logic

The Board met with website development company, Covalent Logic regarding the launch of Louisiana Physical Therapy Board's new website. Included in the meeting was Stafford Wood, founder of the company; Emily Dufrene, Senior Project Manager; and Sally Davis, Senior Account Manager. Covalent Logic met with the Board to train members on the site. The website is expected to be launched during the weekend following the board meeting.

Executive Session

Chairman Al Moreau, III motioned to move into Executive Session pursuant to La R.S. 42:16 for the purposes of discussing investigating proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct. The Board voted and all were in favor to move into Executive Session.

The Board exited Executive Session

The Board unanimously accepted Jane Wetherington's Voluntary Surrender of License.

The Board unanimously accepted the Essay from R Seymour, as required by her board order.

The Board unanimously accepted the Essay from Emily Hymel, as required by her consent order, subject to the essay being dated and signed.

The Board unanimously accepted the Essay from Kelly Daniels regarding her continuing education audit.

The Board accepted Ayodeji Famuyide's Essay, as required by his consent order (4 in favor, 1 against).

Chairman's report

The Board voted on board officers for 2016. The Board unanimously voted Al Moreau to be Chairman for 2016. The Board voted Don Cassano to be Secretary/Treasurer for 2016. The Board voted on the CEU Committee and decided that Elizabeth Austin and Kristina Lounsberry will remain on the committee for 2016.

The Board discussed the Public Service Announcement. The Board requested additional information about the cost of the PSA. Executive Director, Charlotte Martin will ask Peak Media to come and speak at the January Board Meeting for more information about alternative media markets.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report

Secretary/Treasurer, Danny Landry reported the finances for the end of the month of October 2015. Cash in the bank totaled \$22,929.59. Total Income for October 2015 totaled \$12,861.25 and expenses totaled \$55,516.81. The two Certificates of Deposit at Lakeside Bank total \$717,918.64. CD #4718 earned \$327.61 in interest between 10/01/2015-10/31/2015. The ending balance as of 10/31/2015 was \$516,411.17. The CD matures on January 15, 2016. CD #4726 earned \$102.35 in interest between 10/01/2015-10/31/2015. The ending balance as of 10/31/2015 was \$201,507.47. The CD matures on April 15, 2016. The Business Savings account at Chase Bank was \$52,591.01 and earned \$1.29 in interest.

Secretary/Treasurer, Danny Landry reported the finances for the end of the month of November 2015. Cash in the bank totaled \$34,253.19. Total Income for November 2015 totaled \$21,415.96 and expenses totaled \$37,101.73. The two Certificates of Deposit at Lakeside Bank total \$718,348.60. CD #4718 earned \$327.61 in interest between 11/01/2015-11/30/2015. The ending balance as of 11/30/2015 was \$516,738.78. The CD matures on January 15, 2016. CD #4726 earned \$102.35 in interest between 11/01/2015-11/30/2015. The ending balance as of 11/30/2015 was \$201,609.82. The CD matures on April 15, 2016. The Business Savings account at Chase Bank was closed and the funds were moved to checking.

The Board asked Mrs. Martin to present a budget for fiscal year 2016-17 at the January board meeting.

Executive Director's Report

Executive Director, Charlotte Martin gave an update on the 2014-15 Governor's Report.

Mrs. Martin gave a licensing report. Martin reported that there were 17 individuals licensed since the last board meeting. The board members ratified the list and signed the wall licenses for each licensee.

Physical Therapists – Reciprocity

Beaugez, Sarah

Casteix, Mary

Kloepfer, Lauren

Kovar, Jessica

Munson, Lisa

Swanson, Jessica

Stines, Megan

7 total

Physical Therapists – New Graduates

Dupont, Jules

Hughes, Andrew

Messonnier, Callie

York, Ashlee

4 total

Physical Therapist Assistants – Reciprocity

Artman, Kelsey

Brumfield, Sarah

Foster, Niki

Juneau, Justin

Sherrod, Jesse

5 total

Physical Therapists Assistants – New Graduates

Han, Chong

1 total

Reports of Committees

Legislative Task Force The Legislative Task Force provided information regarding the upcoming 2016 Legislative session. The Board decided to prioritize outreach to legislators to educate and inform them of the final report of the Patient access Review Committee.

Continuing Education Committee

The Continuing Education Committee provided a monthly report of approved, denied, and pending course to the Board, as well as an average approval time of course. There were a total of 63 courses that were approved. Of those 63 courses, 28 were traditional courses and 35 were web-based courses. Of the 63 total courses that were approved, 55 were of clinical type, 6 were administrative, and 2 were on ethics. There were a total of 3 courses that were denied. There were 2 courses that were less than 1 credit hour and 1 course that was submitted after the 90-day rule. There were 0 courses pending at the time of the board meeting. It took an average of 5 days to approve a course.

Legal Report

Board Attorney, Courtney Newton reported on the status of complaints since the last board meeting:

Open Investigations: 25

Consent Orders: 1

Newton requested to amend the agenda and present the Open Meetings Law Presentation at the January board meeting due to time constraints. The Board unanimously voted and all agreed to amend the agenda.

Newton provided an update on the status of her conversations with the attorney from FSBPT.

The Board discussed the Clean-up Bill memo created by Courtney Newton. The Board unanimously voted to approve Mrs. Newton to work on researching the Clean-up Bill related to the definition of Practitioner.

Adam Lafleur – Interview with the Board

Adam Lafleur appeared before the Board to discuss the terms he agreed to in his second amending consent order. The Board requested that Mr. Lafleur present copies of his timesheet and paycheck. In addition, the Board requested Mr. Lafleur to present letters of acknowledgement from each principle from the schools that Lafleur work in. The letters shall be on the schools' letterhead and shall acknowledge the consent orders of Mr. Lafleur.

Monitoring Visit Training

The Board discussed and acted out best practices of monitoring visits of disciplined licensees. The Board obtained legal advice regarding discussing consent orders with patients of the licensees. Board Attorney, George Papale advised that board members may talk to patients as long as it is within the scope of the consent order and that they first get permission from administration of the physical therapy location.

New Business

Correspondences

1. Steve Allison, PT provided the Board with a letter from Crystal Younger regarding Licensed Rehabilitation Counselors and Physical Therapists overlapping scopes of practice. The Board reviewed this correspondence for informational purposes.
2. Tyler Folsie, PT, DPT asked if he will be able to participate in the curriculum of the residency program since there is a dry needling course and the Louisiana Rules state that a PT must have at least two years of experience before they can be educated in dry needling. The board reviewed the correspondence and determined that he would be able to take the coursework but would not be able to use the coursework toward certification in dry needling because of the way that the Rule 311.B. is written.

Old Business

Suzanne Tinsley was not able to make it to the board meeting to discuss medication review. Miss Tinsley will be in attendance at the January board meeting.

The Board discussed the pros and cons of entering into the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact proposed by the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT). The Board requested Charlotte Martin to reach out to other states who have decided to get in to the Compact. In addition, the Board would like Mrs. Martin to request FSBPT to attend a board meeting to discuss and answer questions about the Compact as well as to obtain a fiscal impact statement.

Chairman Moreau motioned to adjourn the meeting. Danny Landry seconded the motion. The Board voted and unanimously approved. The board meeting was adjourned at 4:00pm.