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## Department of Health and Hospitals Louisiana Physical Therapy Board

## AGENDA Regular Scheduled Board Meeting August 23, 2017

1:15 pm Call to Order

Approve Agenda Approve Minutes

1:30 pm Executive Session

Discuss sensitive information related to discipline and attorney client privileged

information.

4:30 pm Hearing for License

Case #: 2017-I-028

5:45 pm Special Program

Substance Abuse Specialist

6:45 pm Officer Reports

Chairman's Report

Secretary/Treasurer's Report Executive Director's Report

7:00 pm Legal Report

Complaint Summary Other Legal Business

7:15 pm Committee Reports

**CEU Committee** 

**CEU Exemption Request** 

Legislative Task Force Rules Revision Committee

8:15 pm New Business

Review of a license application

8:30 pm Old Business

9:00pm Public Comment

Adjournment

## Louisiana Physical Therapy Board

# MINUTES Regular Scheduled Board Meeting August 23, 2017

APPROVED

Proceedings for the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board, taken in regular session on August 23, 2017 at 104 Fairlane Drive, Lafayette, LA 70507. A quorum of members were present. Board members present were: Chairman, Donald Cassano, Jr.; Secretary/Treasurer, Kristina Lounsberry, and board members Elizabeth "Beth" Austin, Patrick Cook, and Craig Prejean. Julie Harris, board member arrived at 3:30pm. Advisory Committee Member, Robert Montanaro, was present. Board attorneys, George Papale and Courtney P. Newton were present. Staff members present were Charlotte Martin, Executive Director and Stephanie Boudreaux, Compliance Officer.

Chairman Cassano called the meeting to order at 1:15 pm.

## **AGENDA**

The board reviewed the agenda. Beth Austin moved to approve the agenda as written. Secretary/Treasurer Lounsberry seconded the motion. The board members voted and unanimously approved the agenda.

## **MINUTES**

The board members reviewed the minutes. Patrick Cook moved to approve the minutes as written. Beth Austin seconded the motion. The board voted and unanimously approved the minutes.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chairman Cassano 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 members were all in favor to move into Executive Session.

The board exited Executive Session.

Chairman Cassano moved to accept the consent order for Garret Woods, PT (Case #2017-I-021) with amendments requested the July board meeting and agreed upon by Mr. Woods. Patrick Cook seconded the motion. The board voted and unanimously accepted the consent order.

Secretary/Treasurer Lounsberry moved to accept the essay submitted by Rick Schenck (2017-I-011) and Tomas Bryant (2016-I-018). Patrick Cook seconded the motion. The board voted and unanimously accepted the essay.

## ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING

Administrative hearing was held on license applicant Odie Hughes. Final decision was for the board to license Mr. Hughes with a restricted license that would be placed on probation for three years.

## SPECIAL PROGRAM

Kathi Pohlman presented information related to addiction and effective monitoring of individuals who are in recovery or suffering with addiction to the board.

## **OFFICER REPORTS**

## Chairman Report

There was no report from the chairman at the August meeting.

## **Executive Director Report**

Mrs. Martin reported that 74 individuals were licensed since the last board meeting. The following license applications were approved from July 21, 2017 through August 18, 2017:

## New Graduate - PT

- 1. Janice Albert
- 2. Kendall Antee
- 3. Barbara Baldwin
- 4. Emily Bennett
- 5. Courtney Boyle
- 6. Anthony Bui
- 7. Caroline Chatham
- 8. Victoria Chester
- 9. Celestine Compton
- 10. Elizabeth Countiss
- 11. Matthew Creel
- 12. James Crowder
- 13. Caroline Denison
- 14. Josiah Eastman
- 15. Brett Falgoust
- 16. Eric Frnaces
- 17. Allyson French
- 18. Bradley Handwerger
- 19. Destiny Kennedy
- 20. Trevor Koplitz
- 21. Mallory Kraft
- 22. Alexa Landry
- 23. Emily Lane
- 24. Caitlin Leumas
- 25. Nathan Macaluso
- 26. Laura Maher

- 27. James Marcantel
- 28. Paige Mayeaux
- 29. CarDarrius Murphy
- 30. Madeline Osbrink
- 31. Sarah Pickering
- 32. Steven Poche
- 33. Whitney Reeves
- 34. Adam Roethele
- 35. Christa Roscigno
- 36. Twila Ruefer
- 37. Kaitlyn Salzer
- 38. Baileigh Shea
- 39. Toneyell Shropshire
- 40. Michael Smith
- 41. James Stanich
- 42. Rebecca Troulliet
- 43. Andrew Ullmer
- 44. Carolyn Wellborn
- 45. Christopher West
- 46. Joshua Wiegmann 47. Adam Williams
- 48. Francis Williams

## New Graduate - PTA

1. Jacques Leruth

## Reciprocity - PT

- 1. Luther Gill
- 2. Erin Mullen
- 3. Anne-Laure Sojos
- 4. Emily Wahl
- 5. Rennie Walker
- 6. Tierra Williams

## **Reciprocity – PTA**

- 1. Taylor Beckett
- 2. Brittany Bosely
- 3. Morgan Bush
- 4. Grayson Collins
- 5. Ashley Hays
- 6. Courtney Johnson
- 7. Jason Johnson
- 8. Tucker Kincaid
- 9. Meaghan Knight
- 10. Machelle Lee
- 11. Alexa Mallory
- 12. Julie Miles
- 13. Madison Parsons
- 14. Dedra Reed
- 15. Julia Taylor
- 16. Leslie Thompson
- 17. Ashley Thorton
- 18. Brittany vanVleet
- 19. Jessica Watson

Mrs. Martin updated the board on a contract that will be submitted for approval with a CPA Firm out of Breaux Bridge, Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Co.

Mrs. Martin updated the board on her recent meeting in Alexandria, VA to attend the Leadership Issues Forum of the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) where she presented on behalf of the Foreign Educated Standards Committee.

Mrs. Martin confirmed that Kristina Lounsberry will be the presenter of the traveling Jurisprudence Seminar in Lake Charles on August 30, 2017. She also confirmed that Patrick Cook will be the presenter at the September traveling Jurisprudence Seminar scheduled during the Louisiana Physical Therapy Association fall meeting.

## Treasurer's Report

As of June 30, 2017, cash in the bank totaled \$251,898.89 in the checking and savings accounts at Farmer's Merchant Bank. Total Income for the month of June totaled \$16,805.00 and ordinary expenses totaled \$54,308.68. The two Certificates of Deposit at Business First Bank totaled \$782,367.20. CD #534 will earn all interest of \$3,489.47 at maturity on February 12, 2018. The ending balance as of 06/30/2017 was \$303,432.72. CD #054 earned interest of \$467.32 in June. The ending balance as of 06/30/2017 was \$478,934.48.

## LEGAL REPORT

Mrs. Newton reported the current complaint summary of activity that occurred since the last meeting:

Currently open cases: 7

Complaints received: 2 (not including 1 open case on license applicant)

Informal Conferences: 0 Hearings Scheduled: 0

Consent Orders: 1 (2017-I-021 –approved with amendments requested at the July board meeting)

CRPTP: 0 Agreements to Abstain: 0

Complaint received on non-licensee for advertising using protected terms:

Closed Cases: 1

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### LTF:

Charlotte Martin updated the board on a meeting that she had with Senator Mills on Monday, August 21, 2017, as authorized by the Legislative Task Force.

## **CEU Committee:**

The CEU Committee reported that 34 courses were reviewed since the last board meeting and all 34 courses were approved. Of the 34 courses approved, 21 courses were traditional/on-site and 13 were web-based courses. Of the 34 courses approved 33 were clinical in nature and 1 was administrative in nature. The average turn-around time for approval was 4 days.

The board reviewed a course submitted by an individual applicant licensee, Myra Buller, sponsored by the Upledger Institute, Craniosacral Therapy: Touching the Brain 1 Stimulating Self-correction through Glail Interface. Craig Prejean moved to deny the course approval for the course based on speaker qualifications. The course was submitted by the course sponsor and denied due to speaker qualifications. Kristina Lounsberry seconded the motion. The board voted and unanimously approved the denial of the course. The individual licensee will be reimbursed the review fee since this course had been previously submitted by a course sponsor and denied.

The board reviewed a CE exemption request from licensee William Oliver due to personal hardship and natural disaster resulting from the flood of 2016. The board discussed his exemption and determined that he would be exempt from 15 hours of clinical hours required for renewing his license in 2018. Mr. Oliver will be responsible for 2 hours of Jurisprudence, 2 hours of Ethics, and 11 hours of Clinical coursework. All coursework can be completed online or through distance learning.

## Rules Revision Committee

The board reviewed Rules §§145, 147, 175.D., and 365.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Two license applications with a criminal history came before the board. The Board reviewed the applicants and authorized the Executive Director to review and process license applications of individuals with a criminal history. Mrs. Martin may consult with a board member, as appropriate.

The board reviewed a question from Emily Boyd regarding Medicare Maintenance Program. The board reviewed the question and asked Don Cassano to give Ms. Boyd a call.

The board reviewed a question from Andrea Johnson, PTA asking the board if a PTA can write a Restorative Nursing Program for patients who are discharged from therapy services. The board reviewed the question and determined that it is not within the scope of practice of a PTA to write a Restorative Nursing Program.

The board reviewed a question from a licensee asking if Humana can provide a Home Exercise Plan to patients. The home exercise plan does not include any protected terms.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

The board reviewed legal opinions dates 8/9/2017 related to alcohol incident policy and the intent to deny a license and 8/18/2017 related to good moral character and licensure. The board authorized the Executive Director to review license applications and Criminal Background Check results obtained in accordance with La. R.S. 37:2413.B. which evidence past alcohol or drug incidents, including but not limited to, driving while intoxicated and employ due diligence to determine whether an applicant is qualified for licensure, is a candidate for the Confidential Recovery Physical Therapy Program, is a candidate for a non-confidential agreement whereby the applicant agrees to limitations on his license, or should receive an Intent to Deny letter as set forth in La. R.S. 37:2420.A.(5). Kristina Lounsberry moved to accept recommendation #1 on the legal opinion dated August 9, 2017 related to substance abuse policy with a revision to include all findings on a criminal background check, not only alcohol-related findings. Craig Prejean seconded the motion. The board requested public comment. With no public comment, the board voted and unanimously approved.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

Chairman Cassano moved to adjourn the meeting. Beth Austin seconded the motion. The board voted and unanimously approved. The board meeting was adjourned at 9:12pm.