



State of Louisiana
Department of Health and Hospitals
Louisiana Physical Therapy Board
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October 23, 2013

- 6:30 Call Meeting to order
- 6:35 Meeting with Rudy Gomez, SSA Consultants
- 7:00 September Board Meeting Minutes
- 7:05 Reports
 - Chairman's Report
 - Treasurer's Report
 - September 2013 actual vs. budget
 - Securities – September 2013
 - Executive Director's Report
- 7:15 Unfinished Business
 - Task Tracker for September 2013
- 7:30 Monitoring Disciplined Therapists Report
 - Probation Closure letter Licausi
- 7:45 Legal
- 8:00 New Business
- 8:30 Correspondence
 - Board Questions
 - Lymphedema Certification
- 9:00 Statutes, Rules and Regulations Issues
 - Rule 171 – 4th NPTE failure
- 9:30 Board Monthly Call Discussion
- 10:00 Adjournment

LOUISIANA PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD

October 23, 2013 ACCEPTED

Proceedings for the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board, taken in regular session on Wednesday, October 23, 2013, at 104 Fairlane Drive, Lafayette, LA 70507. Donna "Dee" Cochran, Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. A quorum of members was present. Board members present were: Donna "Dee" Cochran, Jerry Jones, Jr., Kristina Lounsberry, Elizabeth "Beth" Austin, Al Moreau, III, Danny P. Landry, and Gerald Leglue. Cheryl Gaudin, Executive Director, George Papale, general counsel and Courtney P. Newton, attorney were also present.

The board met with Rudy Gomez, SSA Consultants to review and discuss a Proposal for Organizational and Operations Assessment. As a result of the retiring Executive Director, the board is requesting an assessment to address personnel and moving forward. Motion was made by Elizabeth "Beth" Austin, seconded by Jerry Jones, Jr., "to authorize Cheryl Gaudin to prepare a contract for consultant services with SSA Consultants with a cap of \$24,500." All in favor were Donna "Dee" Cochran, Jerry Jones, Jr., Kristina Lounsberry, Elizabeth "Beth" Austin, Al Moreau, III, Danny P. Landry, and Gerald Leglue. No one opposed the motion.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the September Board meeting were accepted as written.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Donna "Dee" Cochran reported on the FSBPT Annual meeting and motions that came before the Delegate Assembly. Course sessions included topics such as Bridge Programs, Dry Needling, Fraud and Abuse, telehealth and other issues.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand for the month of September was \$1,163,055.20. Receipts for September totaled \$7,773.57 and expenses totaled \$25,208.34.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

The contract with Pecot and Associates, the Architectural firm has been approved by the Contract Management. After the architectural plan is presented and accepted, a Request for Proposal for building construction must be prepared and printed in at least two La newspaper publications. One of these newspapers must be the Baton Rouge Advocate. The contract for the current board office space will terminate on May 31, 2014. An assignment was made to Cheryl Gaudin to contact the current owner of the space to discuss the options for leasing extension for a short period of time. A new contract must be approved for this option with Facility Planning and Control.

LEGAL

Motion was made by Al Moreau, III, seconded by Kristina Lounsberry; to go into Executive Session to discuss attorney work product. The votes were as follows: Donna "Dee" Cochran-Yea, Jerry Jones, Jr.-Yea, Kristina Lounsberry-Yea, Elizabeth "Beth" Austin-Yea, Al Moreau, III-Yea, Danny P. Landry-Yea, and Gerald Leglue-Yea. No one opposed the motion.

George Papale reported receiving a request from legal counsel representing Samuel Forester to extend the time for receipt of the essay due to not receiving a copy of the signed Consent Order earlier. The board agreed to the extension for receipt of the essay.

MONITORING DISCIPLINED THERAPISTS

Kim Licausi provided proof of completion with terms of his Consent Order agreement and requested a letter in writing to that effect. Cheryl Gaudin drafted such response and presented to the board for review. The letter was approved for emailing to Licausi.

STATUTE, RULES, AND REGULATIONS

Task Tracker

Cheryl Gaudin responded to Rachel Comish, PT about an employee treating his grandfather in a SNF setting, Part A, with Humana insurance. The board reported this is an insurance issue and not a board issue.

Al Moreau, III contacted Kim Bueche Hardman, Executive Director of PTPN regarding her questions about renewal and reminders to members of PTPN.

Cheryl Gaudin responded to Heather Cobb, Private Events Coordinator and CE Administrator at CIAO Seminars concerning questions about the new CEU Policy posted on the board website. The Board decision is to incorporate a definition of "dialogue" in the CEU policy. Dialogue shall be defined as "taking part in a conversation or discussion between two people to resolve a problem".

Al Moreau, III drafted a response to Krystal Hart , Analgesic Healthcare reporting is it considered within the scope of license for a PT, DPT, MSPT, NPT to prescribe electrotherapy products (specifically TENS and Estim) and orthotics for home use, without a supervising MD Rx.

CORRESPONDENCE

Amanda Greer, MS. CCC-SLP Director of Therapy Services at LaSalle General Hospital requested clarification on the need for certification for lymphedema with physical therapy. The therapists are trained in lymphedema, but not necessarily certified. Elizabeth "Beth" Austin will contact Greer to discuss the issue.

Don Casanova, Jr., MPT, DPT, OCS posed two questions to the board regarding services being offered by a licensed physical therapist. (1) Instructing a regular mobility class at a gym on self soft tissue mobilization and joint mobilization techniques utilizing various, self administered approaches, ie: utilizing TP Massage Ball, lacrosse ball and/or monster bands; and (2) Performing musculoskeletal screening of individuals at a gym and making recommendations for corrective exercises based on the results of the screening. Please comment on scenarios that both involve pain and do not involve pain. Kristina Lounsberry will draft a response to Casanova.

BOARD MEMBER MONTHLY CALLS

The meeting was recessed at 11:00 p.m.
