

**Oregon Physical Therapist Licensing Board
Special Board Meeting
April 19, 2007**

MINUTES

Thursday, April 19, 2007

Board Members Present: Jerry Nickell, PT, Chair; Joana Freedman, PT, Vice Chair; Jason Fiske, PT; Steve Alstot, PT; Daiva Banaitis, PT, PhD; Nancy Wilson, PTA, Cindy Cunningham, Public Member

Staff: James Heider, Executive Director; Sherri Paru, PT, Clinical Advisor/Investigator

Legal Counsel: Carol Parks, AAG

PUBLIC (OPEN) SESSION

The public and interested parties are invited to attend this portion of the meeting. The Public Session is digitally recorded and stored electronically on the Board's file server. Audio copies are available, to the public or interested parties, for the administrative cost to reproduce the audio file.

Bills in Legislature that May Impact the Board

The Board examined and discussed House Bill 2701, with proposed dash 1 and dash 3 Amendments, as sponsored by the Chiropractic Association. The Board also considered the amended language to HD 2701, as proposed by the OPTA. The Board took a position, in opposition to HB 2701, as written, and the dash 1 and dash 3 Amendments. The Board chose to support the Proposed Amendments to HB 2701, as proposed by the OPTA. The Board further appointed Steve Alstot, PT Board Member, to represent the Board's position, at the work session designed to find a compromise in language, between the Oregon PT Association and the Chiropractic Association. Also, the Board approved the issuance of a letter, to be written and signed by the Board's Legal Counsel, Carol Parks. The letter is intended to show, historically, that the Board has considered manual therapy, manipulation and mobilization, as part of the PT Scope of Practice, since it's been taught in the PT curriculum. Lastly, and, if necessary, the Board gave its Legal Counsel, Carol Parks, the authority to write a letter to the Legislative Committee presiding over HB 2701. The letter will represent the Board's position regarding HB 2701.

FSBPT Nominees for the NPTE Standard Setting Task Force

The Board Executive Director called for nominations for the FSBPT Standard Setting Task Force. Board Member, Steve Alstot noted that he had the name, of a PTA, he would like nominated to the PTA Task Force, as would Board Member, Nancy Wilson. Board Member, Daiva Banaitis would consider nomination to the PT Task Force, as would Board PT and Clinical Advisor, Sherri Paru.

Other New Business

The Board Chair called for other new business. With none noted, Board Chair, Jerry Nickell adjourned the Board Meeting at 12:53 PM.