

**Oregon Board of Physical Therapy
Board Meeting Minutes
July 16 and 17, 2020**

Thursday, July 16th, 2020: Executive Session

Board Members Present: Phil Haworth, PT, Chair; Alan McAvoy, PT, Vice Chair; Aubree Benson, PT; Erica Goldsmith, PTA; Sandra Hahn; Andrea Muzikant; Hoku Okumura, PT; Becca Reisch, PT, PhD.

Board Members Absent: None.

Staff: Michelle Sigmund-Gaines, Executive Director; Sherri Paru, PT, Clinical Advisor/Investigator; Rick Sullivan, Licensing Coordinator; Gayla Goodwin, Licensing Coordinator.

Legal Counsel: Angie Hunt, AAG.

PUBLIC (OPEN) SESSION

Chair Haworth convened the Board into Public Session at 8:31 AM for the purpose of roll call. No members of the public were present at this time.

EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION

After roll call, the meeting was convened into Executive Session at 8:33 AM pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(f) and ORS 192.660(2)(L).

At 11:39 AM, Chair Haworth adjourned Executive Session.

Friday, July 17th, 2020

Board Members Present: Phil Haworth, PT, Chair; Alan McAvoy, PT, Vice Chair; Aubree Benson, PT; Erica Goldsmith, PTA; Sandra Hahn; Andrea Muzikant; Hoku Okumura, PT; Becca Reisch, PT, PhD.

Board Members Absent: None.

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PUBLIC (OPEN) SESSION

Chair Haworth convened the Board into Public Session at 8:31 AM.

Members of the Public Present: Diana Godwin (OPTIP); Erin Kettler, PT; APTA-Oregon; Ruggie Canizares, PT.

Board Motions:

Case PT 685-01/20

Motion by Member McAvoy to close case, no action.

Motion seconded by Member Hahn.

Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7-0. Member Haworth recused.

Case PT 688-04/20

Motion by Member McAvoy to issue Confidential Advisory Letter and close case.
Motion seconded by Member Hahn.
Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 8-0.

Case PT 689-05/20

Motion by Member McAvoy to issue Confidential Advisory Letter and close case.
Motion seconded by Member Hahn.
Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 8-0.

Case PT 696-06/20

Motion by Member McAvoy to issue license and Confidential Advisory Letter and close case.
Motion seconded by Member Hahn.
Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 8-0.

Case PT 690-05/20

Motion by Member McAvoy to issue license and close case.
Motion seconded by Member Hahn.
Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 8-0.

Case PT 693-06/20

Motion by Member McAvoy to initiate disciplinary action and delegate authority to Executive Director to settle case.
Motion seconded by Member Hahn.
Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 8-0.

Case PT 691-06/20

Motion by Member McAvoy to issue Confidential Advisory Letter and close case.
Motion seconded by Member Hahn.
Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7-1, with Member Benson voting nay.

Case PT 692-06/20

Motion by Member McAvoy to issue Confidential Advisory Letter and close case.
Motion seconded by Member Hahn.
Motion passed by a vote of 7-1, with Member Benson voting nay.

Case PT 695-06/20

Motion by Member McAvoy to issue Confidential Advisory Letter and close case.
Motion seconded by Member Hahn.
Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 8-0.

Public Comment

None.

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes:

The draft minutes from the May 01, 2020 Regular Board Meeting were presented to the Board for approval. Chair Haworth asked for a motion to approve the minutes as written. Member McAvoy so moved. Member Hahn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 8-0.

Ratification of PT/PTA Licenses & Temporary Permits:

Staff presented the list of new licenses and temporary permits issued April 24th, 2020 through July 9th, 2020. Chair Haworth opened the floor for questions and discussion. With none noted, Chair Haworth asked for a

motion to ratify the new licensees and permit holders. Member McAvoy so moved. Member Hahn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 8-0.

OAR 848-040-0175 Standards for Screening Services

The Chair recognized Ruggie Canizares, PT, who presented a request to the Board to consider clarifying rulemaking related to the subject OAR, and screening services for existing patients. After discussion, the Chair directed staff to perform additional research and develop possible draft rules to bring to a future board meeting.

Board Member/Committee/Delegate Reports

PT Compact Commission Report: Member Benson, as the PT Compact Commission Delegate, presented a written report. Highlights included that no additional states have begun issuing privileges since the last report. The Commission held webinars for member states discussing best practices, procedural questions, and to seek input on impacts from the current pandemic.

FSBPT Report: Member Goldsmith, as the FSBPT Delegate, provided a written report. Highlights included dates for upcoming FSBPT events, which will all be held virtually through the end of the year. FSBPT will also be reducing membership dues by 50% in 2021 and 2022. Member Benson then asked if any members had motions from Oregon to be submitted for the annual delegate assembly; no such motions were identified.

Open Roundtable: No other topics discussed.

Presentation and Approval of the Executive Director's Report

Chair Haworth recognized Director Sigmund-Gaines who presented the Executive Director's Report. Chair Haworth then asked for a motion to accept and approve the report as written. Member McAvoy so moved and Member Benson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 8-0.

Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Year End Financial Report

The Chair recognized Director Sigmund-Gaines who presented the annual fiscal year-end report as written for July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 for Board review and discussion. The report is also posted to the Board's website.

Board General Discussion and Action Items

September Board Meeting Date & Format: Chair Haworth recognized Director Sigmund-Gaines. She presented the option of having the Board meeting via teleconference over the course of 2 days instead of 1. The first day would be Executive Session and the second day would be the Public Session. All members agreed. The Executive Session was scheduled for Sept 17th, at 4pm and the Public Session to remain at the currently scheduled day and time of September 18th at 8:30am.

Coronavirus Pandemic Status: Chair Haworth recognized Director Sigmund-Gaines. She presented the most recent information published by the Oregon Health Authority and other related information recently cross-posted or linked through from the Board's website relating to the current pandemic. Director Sigmund-Gaines noted that we may see additional impacts to applicants and licensees that may require temporary rulemaking, relating to application expiration dates, delays in graduation dates, difficulty setting for test-taking, or fingerprinting. Staff will continue to monitor impacts and may either enact temporary rulemaking as delegated or bring to future meetings for Board discussion and action.

Temporary Permits: The Board reviewed the current rules, statutory authority and historic utilization rates for the various temporary permit types issued by the Board. After discussion, Chair Haworth directed staff to form a Rules Advisory Committee on the topic to convene and bring back recommendations to the Board.

OAR 848-045-0010(1)(b) Appendix A and B: The Board reviewed the current rules. After discussion, Chair Haworth directed staff to prepare possible alternatives for consideration to a future meeting that addressed factors of number of patients seen, volume, and additional periods of time.

Other Business: Chair Haworth asked if there were any other remaining business. Hearing none, meeting adjourned.

Meeting Adjourned 10:56 AM.