

Louisiana Physical Therapy Board

MINUTES Regular Scheduled Board Meeting August 15, 2018

APPROVED

Proceedings for the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board, taken in regular session on August 15, 2018 at 104 Fairlane Drive, Lafayette, LA 70507. A quorum of members were present. Board members present were: Chairman Patrick Cook, Secretary/Treasurer, Karl Kleinpeter, and board members Julie Ann Harris, Craig Prejean, Judith Halverson and Dr. Meredith Warner. Advisory Committee Member present was Jason Douglas. Charlotte Martin, Executive Director; board attorneys, Courtney P. Newton and George Papale, and Stephanie Boudreaux, Compliance Officer, and Jessica Alwell, Assistant Executive Director were present. Public members Blair Duthu, PT, Alyssa Puckett, Pt, Stevelyn Picke, and Lisa Naeger, PT were present.

Chairman Cook called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

The board reviewed the agenda. Judith Halverson moved to accept the agenda. Julie Ann Harris seconded the motion. The board members voted and unanimously approved the agenda as amended.

The board members reviewed the minutes. Secretary/Treasurer Kleinpeter moved to approve the minutes as amended. Julie Ann Harris seconded the motion. The board voted and unanimously approved the minutes.

OLD BUSINESS

At the last regular board meeting, the board agreed to review a question from licensees Blair Duthu, PT and Alyssa Puckett, PT regarding whether it is within the scope of practice for PTs to perform Percutaneous Tibial Nerve Stimulation (PTNS) for bladder dysfunction after taking time to review more research on the topic. The board discussed the information provided and determined that it is within the scope of a PTs practice, pursuant to §303.C. Judith Halverson moved to authorize Chairman Cook and Mrs. Martin to draft a statement from the board. Julie Ann Harris seconded the motion. The board members voted and unanimously approved the motion.

OFFICER REPORTS

Chairman Report

Chairman Cook presented on a Letter of Intent prepared by Trahan Group for a possible new office building. Julie Ann Harris moved to sign the Letter of Intent. Chairman Cook seconded the motion. The board voted and unanimously approved to sign the Letter of Intent.

Treasurer's Report

Secretary/Treasurer Kleinpeter presented May 2018 Financials. As of May 31, 2018, cash in the bank totaled \$872,854.25 in the checking and savings accounts at Farmer's Merchant Bank. Total Income totaled \$29,326.38 and ordinary expenses totaled \$66,959.91. The Certificates of Deposit at Business First Bank totaled \$483,998.78. CD #054 earned interest of \$457.07 in May. The ending balance as of 5/31/2018 was \$483,998.78.

Secretary/Treasurer Kleinpeter presented June 2018 Financials. As of June 30, 2018, cash in the bank totaled \$306,961.68 in the checking and savings accounts at Farmer's Merchant Bank. Total Income totaled \$17,264.76

and ordinary expenses totaled \$56,051.32. The Certificates of Deposit at Business First Bank totaled \$1,000,472.74. CD #054 earned interest of \$472.74 in June. The ending balance as of 6/30/2018 was \$484,472.52.

Executive Director Report

Mrs. Martin updated the board regarding a letter from the Compact Commission informing the board of the importance of sharing licensees' social security numbers and dates of birth in order to be compliant with the Compact and ultimately begin issuing privileges to practice.

Mrs. Martin informed the board of the CAPTE Call for Comments. The board had no comments to report.

NEW BUSINESS

The board reviewed a request from Khurram Khan, an applicant for licensure who is applying for a PTA license via reciprocity. The Mr. Khan was educated as a PT but failed the NPTE for PTs and instead has been licensed elsewhere as a PTA after passing the NPTE for PTAs. Chairman Cook moved to accept the applicant's request to seek PTA licensure in Louisiana. Julie Ann Harris seconded the motion. The board voted and unanimously approved the request.

The board reviewed a request from Mr. Adebowale Adesola, a foreign-trained applicant for licensure, requesting to have the board waive the TOEFL requirement on the basis that Mr. Adesola is currently completing a DPT degree through Evidence in Motion. The board questioned the amount of reading, writing, and speaking in English the program requires as it is a distance program. The board requested more information prior to making a decision and will review the request again at the next regular board meeting in September.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CEU Committee:

Judith Halverson moved to deny the CranioSacral Therapy course submitted by International Alliance of Healthcare Educators. Julie Ann Harris seconded the motion. The board reviewed the course and unanimously decided to deny the course due to it not meeting requirements in Rule §195.A., specifically lack of evidence.

Chairman Cook moved to deny the Service Excellence Course submitted by Monique Auger for individual approval. JulieAnn Harris seconded the motion. The board reviewed the course and unanimously decided to deny the course due to the course content not aligning with required course goals per Rule §195.A.

Chairman 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.

Judith Halverson moved to accept the board order for Brandon Revelle. Craig Prejean seconded the motion. The board voted and unanimously accepted the board orders.

LEGAL REPORT

There was no legal report at this board meeting.

Chairman Cook called the hearing of reinstatement applicant David Conerly to order.

Secretary/Treasurer Kleinpeter moved to enter Executive Session pursuant to La R.S. 42:16 for the purposes of discussing investigating proceedings regarding the hearing of an applicant for license reinstatement. The board members were all in favor to move into Executive Session.

The board exited Executive Session.

Chairman Cook state on the record the unanimous decision to deny the reinstatement application of David Conerly. Mr. Conerly is barred for life from reapplying for reinstatement.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

Chairman Cook moved to adjourn the meeting. Judith Halverson seconded the motion. The board voted and unanimously approved. The board meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.