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MICHIGAN BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY MEETING JULY 19, 2011 APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976, PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Physical Therapy met in regular session July 19, 2011, at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

Jill Marlan, PT, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:39 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Jill Marlan, PT, Chairperson
Andrew May, PT, Vice Chairperson (left at 3:18 p.m.)
David Goldenbogen, PT
Sean Handler, Public Member
Vijay Kumar, PT
David Perry, LPT
Ginger Smietana, Public Member
Linda Thomas-Pilarczyk, Public Member
Elizabeth Mostrom, PT
Barbara Simmons, PTA

Members Absent: Mecha Crockett, Public Member

Staff Present: Kristen Kinney, Board Secretary, Health Regulatory Division
Rae Ramsdell, Director, Health Regulatory Division (arrived 1:43 p.m.)
Lucinda Clark, Licensing Operations Manager, Licensing Division
Desmond Mitchell, Policy Analyst, Health Regulatory Division
Robert Jenkins, Assistant Attorney General

Others Present: Jill Sullivan, MI Physical Therapy Association
Kris Thompson, MI Physical Therapy Association
K. Jake Jakubiak Kavacek, MI Physical Therapy Association
Tom Sparks
Lance Weasavitz
Cindy P. Forest, MI Physical Therapy Association

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by May, seconded by Handler to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2011 meeting as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by May seconded by Mostrom to approve the Agenda with the following additions:

Old Business add

A. Discussion regarding PTA transition from limited license to full license

New Business add

A. PTs that have not graduated but have passed exam

B. Legislative Update

C. PTA Equivalency

MOTION PREVAILED

Introduction of New Member

Chairperson Marlan asked new member, Barbara Simmons, to introduce herself. The Board followed by introducing themselves individually.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

RULES COMMITTEE

Mostrom gave a historical overview of the Rules Committee. Mostrom highlighted key items on the draft regarding the Continuous Professional Development. Mostrom also spoke in regards to the requirements for relicensure. Mostrom advised the Board of

the auditing procedure in which the Department will randomly ask PTs and PTAs to submit their portfolios for review and assessment.

Marlan asked the Board if they should consider word changes in regards to Athletic Trainers and Physical Therapists. The Rules Committee suggested the rule set move forward as is.

CHAIRPERSON REPORT

Marlan spoke in regards to a concern that the PTAs may be working outside their scope of practice. Marlan stated that there had been three allegations of PTAs working out of their scope.

Marlan made the Board aware that she will be attending the FSBPT meeting regarding the examination on July 28th.

Marlan asked Vijay to update the Board on the Education Committee. Mostrom gave a brief statement regarding her presentation at Wayne State University.

Goldenbogen volunteered to attend the Annual FSBPT meeting as a delegate. The meeting will be held September 22 – 24 in Charlotte, NC.

OLD BUSINESS

Administrative Rules

Ramsdell asked the Board to review the rules and be prepared to vote on the draft at the next meeting.

DRY NEEDLING

Ramsdell stated that there have been several questions submitted to the Department in addition to the Board's concern. She will talk with the Attorney General's Office but advised that it is not currently addressed in the law.

Attorney General's Response to Questions Regarding PT

Ramsdell advised the Board that the AG's office did not give a definitive answer regarding the scope of practice. Members of the Board gave their input and asked questions regarding this topic. A discussion was held regarding the billing of PTs and PTAs versus Athletic Trainers. Jenkins advised that the AG office will not address billing issues. Jenkins directed the Board to the memo provided in regards to scope of practice. Further discussion was held. Delegation issues were discussed. Ramsdell will submit another question to the Attorney General regarding the level of supervision required of licensed athletic trainers in a physical therapy setting.

Discussion on PTA transition from limited license to full license

The limited PTA license will be expiring at the end of this year. Ramsdell stated that the department is working on drafting a letter to be mailed to all PTAs holding a limited license advising them of the need to apply for the full license as soon as possible.

NEW BUSINESS

PTs that have not graduated but have passed exam

Marlan raised a question about the status of an applicant for the PT license who has applied and passed the national exam before graduation. Ramsdell confirmed that although a student may have passed the exam, they still need to graduate from an accredited program before being licensed and must provide documentation that they did.

Legislative Update

Ramsdell provided a report regarding legislation that has been introduced that may impact the physical therapy profession. There was a brief discussion of the anticipated review of the State regulatory programs.

PTA Equivalency

Some questions have been raised regarding applicants whose non- accredited education has been inconsistently evaluated for a brief period of time. The error in interpretation of the equivalency tool was identified and corrected by FCCPT and the accredited programs. The Board has been asked by staff to review a select number of files. Marlan advised that there will be a task force created to look at the equivalency tool. Members of the task force are Marlan, Simmons, Perry and Mostrom.

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

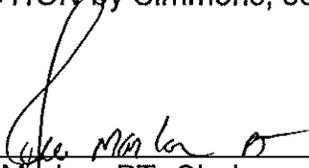
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

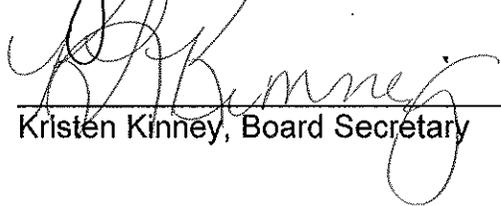
The next regularly scheduled meeting will be October 18, 2011 at 1:30 p.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center (UL), Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Simmons, seconded by Goldenbogen to adjourn the meeting at 3:21 p.m.



Jill Marlan, PT, Chairperson



Kristen Kinney, Board Secretary

Oct 18, 2011
Date Minutes Approved

July 21, 2011
Date Minutes Prepared