



MICHIGAN BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY MEETING OF APRIL 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 April 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 1:36 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Jill Marlan, PT, Chairperson
Andrew May, PT, Vice Chairperson
Mecha Crockett, Public Member
David Goldenbogen, PT
Sean Handler, Public Member
Vijay Kumar, PT
David Perry, LPT
Ginger Smietana, Public Member
Linda Thomas-Pilarczyk, Public Member

Members Absent: Elizabeth Mostrom, PT

Staff Present: Laurie VanBeelen, Board Secretary, Health Regulatory Division
Rae Ramsdell, Director, Health Regulatory Division
Lucinda Clark, Licensing Operations Manager, Licensing Division
Desmond Mitchell, Policy Analyst, Health Regulatory Division
Jennifer Fitzgerald, Assistant Attorney General

Others Present: Adam Kliebert - MPTA
Patrick Brennan - MPTA
Danica Michel - MPTA
Kris Thompson - MPTA
Kathleen Jakubiak Kovacek - MPTA
Peter VanWell - MPTA

Bruce Coburn - MPTA
Gina Otterbin - MPTA
Brian Gilbert - MPTA
Barbara Simmons - MPTA
Lucinda Pfalger - MPTA
Laura Vasco - MPTA
Michael Shoemaker - MPTA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Handler, seconded by May, to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2011 meeting as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Smietana, seconded by May, to approve the Agenda with the following additions and sequence changes:

The following additions will be made: under Old Business, C. Rules Language Addition; under New Business, D. PTA Jurisprudence Exam; and Public Comment will be moved to be heard immediately following Committee Reports.

MOTION PREVAILED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

RULES COMMITTEE

Perry advised that the Committee has had two conference calls since the January meeting and will be speaking again this Thursday relating to the development of continuing professional development language. The Committee anticipates having information for the Board's review at the July meeting.

CHAIRPERSON REPORT

Marlan reported that Kumar is currently serving as the Education Committee chairperson and she asked him to provide his vision for the Committee's future work. Kumar advised that May, Handler and Crockett will be serving on the Committee with him. He stated that he is looking forward to working with the Committee members as the rules for continuing professional development are implemented.

Marlan reviewed the list of members who are serving on the Education, Rules and Disciplinary Subcommittees (DSC). She advised that she would like members who are not currently serving on the DSC to assist with allegation files in the future.

Marlan advised that allegations recently received have pertained to the new rules as it relates to PT/AT delegation and issues of Medicare fraud.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kathleen Jakubiak Kovacek, President of the Michigan Physical Therapy Association, expressed concern that the current rules of the Board of Physical Therapy do not reflect the intent of the MPTA as it relates to the delegation of physical therapy interventions and urged the Board and Department to clarify the language.

OLD BUSINESS

DELEGATION OF PT DUTIES

Ramsdell advised that she discussed this issue with Wanda Stokes, Director for the Licensing and Regulation Division of the Attorney General's office. She stated that additional written information from the Attorney General's office has not yet been received; however Ramsdell advised that the statement which is anticipated to be received will likely be confirming the discussion that was held at the January meeting.

RULES LANGUAGE ADDITION

Perry provided the Board with proposed language that he believes would better clarify the delegation language and verbally reviewed the proposed changes. Marlan asked that Perry forward same to Mostrom in preparation for the upcoming Rules Committee conference call. Extensive discussion of this issue was held by the Board and Department staff, and will be reviewed by the Rules Committee.

DRY NEEDLING

Continued discussion will take place at the July meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

FSBPT FIXED-DATE EXAMINATION POLICY

Marlan advised that due to changes in this exam, there will only be three testing dates available in 2011 for foreign graduates of Egypt, Pakistan, India and the Philippines. For United States graduates, there are many open dates available through June 30, 2011. She stated that the FSBPT has advised they will review the process and security of the testing after the December testing date.

BOARD MEMBER ORIENTATION

After discussion, it was agreed that an informal orientation would take place after today's DSC meeting.

DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Ramsdell also advised that Governor Snyder issued an executive order that moves the Bureau of Health Professions to the newly-created Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA). She advised that this will not affect the day-to-day operations of the Bureau nor will it affect the Board. Ramsdell also advised that the Bureau has had recent changes in staffing. Along with the vacancy of the policy administration manager, which Amy Allen previously held, the Bureau's Director, Melanie Brim, has accepted a position with the Department of Community Health and will not be transitioning to LARA. She advised that a bureau director had not yet been named.

PTA JURISPRUDENCE EXAM

Marlan advised that she has fielded a number of questions regarding this exam for PTA applicants. Lucinda Clark, manager for the Applications Section, advised that it will be part of the application process and will be an "open book" test which requires a 75% passing rate. Perry indicated that the MPTA is providing students information and education regarding this exam.

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

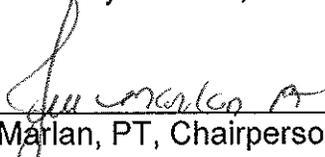
None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be July 19, 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

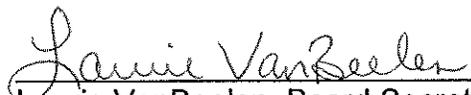
MOTION by Handler, seconded by May, to adjourn the meeting at 3:01 p.m.



Jill Marlan, PT, Chairperson

7.19.11

Date Minutes Approved



Laurie VanBeelen, Board Secretary

April 27, 2011

Date Minutes Prepared