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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: EXAMINING BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPISTS AND

ATHLETICS TRAINERS

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, June 25, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, First floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL July 23, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT

W. Wayne Woodzell, Professional Member, Chairperson Julie Knowles, Professional Member, Vice-Chairperson Jeffrey Schneider, Professional Member, Secretary Damien McGovern, Professional Member Laura Schmitt, Professional Member Waheedah Shabazz, Public Member Samuel Sullivan, Professional Member Amy Blansfield, Professional Member Tyler Luff, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Jennifer Singh, Deputy Attorney General Sandra Wagner, Administrative Specialist III

MEMBERS ABSENT

Cheryl Fruchtman, Public Member

ALSO PRESENT

Philip Allen, PT DPT Dan Watson ATC Doug Huisenga

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Woodzell called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

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REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the April 23, 2013 meeting. Ms. Knowles moved, seconded by Mr. Schneider, to approve the minutes. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Continued Discussion on Proposed Legislation

The Board continued their review of their draft legislation and comments submitted. The Board was going to table this discussion for July's meeting since the President of the DPTA sent notification to Ms. Wagner and Ms. Kelly that the DPTA would have representation for the July meeting for discussion. Ms. Singh directed Mr. Woodzell to find out if the members of the public were here for discussion of this part of the agenda.

Mr. Philip Allen current Vice President of the Physical Therapy Association and he addressed the Board about communication being sent around about the proposed legislation. The President George Edelman of the Physical Therapy Association received communication from Ms. Kelly and Ms. Wagner and he has been working with Mr. John Smith DATA President to come up with some language to present to the Board on July 23, 2013.

Mr. Dan Watson came to represent the Delaware Athletic Training Association, but didn't have anything at this time to address the Board since Mr. Edelman and Mr. Smith have been working on language together.

The question was asked by Mr. Allen when this process would be moving forward since the changes didn't go through this year's legislative session. Ms. Singh explained to Mr. Allen that this Board has been selected for sunset review. The changes could go through by spring of 2014.

Future Discussion of Presentation by FSBPT

This agenda item was tabled.

Review and Discussion of Correspondence from Nematullah Vasowala

The Board reviewed the correspondence from Ms. Vasowala. Ms. Vasowala asked the Board to allow her to withdraw her application at this time in order to give her time to take the missing credits needed to meet DE standards.

Ms. Knowles made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blansfield, to grant Ms. Vasowala to withdraw her application. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Review and Discussion of Rakhi Save – Submitted new Evaluation of Educational Credentials

The Board reviewed the new evaluation of educational credentials for Rakhi Save. Ms. Save was proposed to deny at the April 23, 2013 meeting. Ms. Save sent the Board a new evaluation; however the evaluation is still not substantially equivalent to the first professional degree in physical therapy in the United States. Mr. Schneider made a motion, seconded by Ms. Schmitt, to propose to deny Ms. Save's application. By unanimous vote, the motion carried. Ms. Wagner will send a letter to Ms. Save to explain the findings of the Board.

Review and Discussion of Komalben Patel – Submitted new PT Application

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The Board reviewed the new physical therapy application submitted by Ms. Patel. Ms. Patel was proposed to deny at the February 26, 2013 meeting. Ms. Patel's evaluation is for a physical therapist; however she applied for physical therapy assistant. The Board finds Ms. Patel's evaluation to not be substantially equivalent to the first professional degree in physical therapy in the United States. Ms. Knowles made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schneider, to propose to deny Ms. Patel's application. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Proposal to Deny Hearing Scheduled for James Barker – PT by Reciprocity (5:00 p.m.)

Mr. Barker requested to have his hearing rescheduled for the July meeting. Ms. Wagner will send a hearing notice to Mr. Barker for a July hearing.

Ratify PT/PTA/AT Application by Examination

Mr. Schneider made a motion, seconded by Ms. Knowles, to ratify licensure by examination and approve the following PTAs as noted below. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

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Juleemei Belen (PT) Darnay Binguet (PT) Jessica Cashen (PT) Luther Delera (PT) Eldyn Dlgdigan (PT) Gerardo Frias (PT) Michael Horne (PT) Elgin Macaspac (PT) Susan Murray (PT) Hanz Reynado (PT) Patricia Robles (PT) Nicole Sabol (PT) Marison Salvilla (PT) Maurice Segovia (PT) Ma Czarina Elaine Targa (PT) Andrew Vodzak (PT) Dave Woo (PT)
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Ratify PT/PTA/AT Applications by Reciprocity

Ms. Knowles moved, seconded by Ms. Schmitt, to ratify licensure by reciprocity approve the following as noted below. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Roberta Bailey (PTA)	Mallory Black (PTA)	Jennifer Caltabiano (PT)	Ankur Kapadia (PT)
Isaac Kloch (AT)	Jeffrey Miller (PT)	Shefali Patel (PT)	Rachel Petrecca (PT)
Caitlin Pisani (PT)	Alexis Siriani (PT)	Vicki Tobin (PTA)	Scott Yanus (PT)
Ron Lawrence (PT)	Katy Weddell (PT)	Christopher Dougherty (PT)	Joseph Kupa (PTA)

Review of Application by Reciprocity

There were no applications by reciprocity.

Review of Applications by Examination

Mr. Schneider made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blansfield, to propose to deny licensure by examination to Ankita Shah (PT) as the qualifications of applicant are not substantially equivalent to Delaware as required by 24 <u>Del</u>. <u>C</u>. Section 2610(b) and Board Rule 9.0. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Mr. Woodzell stated to the Board that the following applications Lisa Derrick (PTA) and Daniel Luszczyk (PTA) will be tabled until further documentation is submitted to complete their applications.

Mr. Woodzell amended the agenda to add Preetha Nallathambi for review by examination. Mr. Schneider made a motion, seconded by Ms. Shabazz, to propose to deny licensure by

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examination to Preetha Nallathambi (PT) as the qualifications of applicant are not substantially equivalent to Delaware as required by 24 <u>Del</u>. <u>C</u>. Section 2610(b) and Board Rule 9.0. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Ratify and Review of Applications for Reinstatement

Mr. Schneider made a motion, seconded by Ms. Schmitt, to approve the following reinstatement applications as noted below. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Robert Cornell (PT)

Danielle Barrett (PTA)

Matthew Egner (PT)

Review of Continuing Education Courses

Mr. Sullivan moved, seconded by Ms. Schmitt, to approve the below continuing education courses. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

ATI Physical Therapy – ATI National Sports Medicine Summit 2013 – August 3 - 4, 2013 – 1.2 CEUs

ATI Physical Therapy – Orthotic Fabrication for Mobilization - .8 CEUs

Al DuPont Hospital for Children – Annual Therapy Services Conference – May 2, 2013 - .675 CEUs

Accelerated Care Plus Corp (ACP) – Physical Agent Modality Basics – Shortwave Diathermy – Correction to approved CEUs - .15

PESI HealthCare – Neuromuscular & Neurodegenerative Disorders – July 29, 30, & 31, 2013 - .6 CEUs

PESI HealthCare - Neuromuscular & Neurodegenerative Disorders - August 21, 22, & 23, 2013 - .6 CEUs

PESI HealthCare – Challenging Geriatric Behaviors – September 23, 24, & 25, 2013 - .625 CEUs

Mr. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Ms. Schmitt, to approve the below continuing education course with a change to amount of CEUs requested. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

OccuPro – Comprehensive Industrial Rehab Training Course – 2.25 CEUs

Final Denial

Mr. Schneider made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blansfield, to formally deny the application from Najla Abas (PT) by examination, as applicant had not requested a hearing before the Board based upon on the proposed denial at the April 23, 2013 meeting. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Status of Complaints

For informational purposes, Complaint #14-03-13 was assigned to Mr. Woodzell, Complaint #14-07-11 was dismissed by the Attorney General's office and Complaints #14-01-13 and #14-02-12 was dismissed by the Attorney General's office.

Notice of Key Changes to Licensees Regarding CPR and Ethics

The Board discussed having a mass email go out to all licenses about the key changes regarding CPR and Ethics. The Board would like to see the mass email go out at least two

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times so that everyone is aware of the changes that will be affecting their renewal. Ms. Wagner stated that she would have to speak to the manager of the Division's operational unit to see if this is something that can be done. The Board would like Ms. Wagner to use what is on our website as the notification.

Review Documentation Received for Those Selected for Post-Renewal Audit

Ms. Wagner had some audits that didn't get reviewed at the same time as the other audits. The board members reviewed the submissions for those licensees selected for the post-renewal audit.

Discussion: Joint Sunset Review

Mr. Woodzell asked if the Board would like to discuss the comments from Heidi Paakkonen from FSBPT. From reviewing the comments from Ms. Paakkonen she mostly speaks about changing continuing education to continuing competence. Continuing competence will not work for the Athletic Trainers because it would be conflicting with our rules and regulations for the Board. With the rules and regulation changes the Board agreed that under section 2606 (a)(6) to read Establish by rule and regulation continuing education standards which shall include competences and proficiencies as determined by the Board are required for license renewal.

Review and Discussion: Douglas Palmer Order

The Board reviewed the Order for Douglas Palmer from the hearing officer's recommendations they reviewed in April. The Board agreed with the signing of the Order by Mr. Wayne Woodzell.

Review and Discussion: Consent Agreement for Chad Hall

The Board reviewed and discussed the consent agreement for Chad Hall. Ms. Knowles made a motion, seconded by Ms. Schmitt, to approve the signed consent order for Mr. Hall. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Request for Reactivation – Patrick Walker (PT)

The Board reviewed the request for Mr. Patrick Walker for reactivation. Ms. Knowles made a motion, seconded by Mr. Luff, to approve Mr. Walker for reactivation. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

There was no other business.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Doug Huisenga the program coordinator from Delaware Technical College of Wilmington spoke about his students not being able to get reviewed by the Board because the Board doesn't meet in May. These students have to wait until October to take the exam instead of July right after graduation. The Board discussed changing April's meeting to the second Tuesday in May and November's meeting to the second Tuesday in December. Ms. Wagner will make the adjustments to the online calendar.

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NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 23, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. in the second floor Conference Room A, of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Schneider moved, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, to adjourn the meeting. By unanimous vote, the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Wagner

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Administrative Specialist III