



State of Louisiana
Department of Health and Hospitals
Louisiana Physical Therapy Board
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July 18, 2012

- 5:30 Informal Conference Case #20121018 Jerry Jones, Jr. Board Member
- 6:30 Call Meeting to order
- 6:35 June Board Meeting Minutes
- 6:45 Reports
 - Chairman's Report
 - Treasurer's Report
 - ⇒ June 2012 actual vs. budget
 - ⇒ Securities
 - Executive Director's Report
 - ⇒ Expiration of provisional license after exam failure
- 7:00 Meeting with Shirley Bryan, PTA
- 7:30 Rules and Regulations Implementation Issues
 - Resolution
 - Acknowledgments Certification
 - Participation Agreement
- 8:00 New Business
- 8:15 Legal
- 8:30 Board Monthly Call Discussion
- 8:45 Unfinished Business
 - Task Tracker
 - Correspondence
 - Teaching Class
 - PT PTA conference
 - Nathan Jeane Request
- 9:15 Monitoring Disciplined Therapists Report
- 9:30 Investigation Summary Reports (one-on-one meetings)
- 10:00 Adjournment

LOUISIANA PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD

July 18, 2012

ACCEPTED

Proceedings for the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board, taken in regular session on Wednesday, July 18, 2012, at 104 Fairlane Drive, Lafayette, LA 70507. Jerry Jones, Jr., Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 18th. A quorum of members was present. Board members present were: Jerry Jones, Jr., Teresa Maize, Donna "Dee" Cochran, Gerald Leglue and Danny Landry. Cheryl Gaudin, Executive Director, Glenn Ducote, attorney, George Papale, attorney were present. Advisory Committee Members Anna Smith and Nick Butler were in attendance.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the June 2012 board meeting were accepted as written.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Jerry Jones, Jr. welcomed Kristina Lounsberry, PT who was appointed by the Governor on July 5, 2012. Kristina is co-owner of Industrial Strength Work Rehab Center in Lake Charles.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand for the month of June was \$911,675.70. Receipts for June totaled \$6,671.85 and expenses for the month of June totaled \$51,911.57.

The two CD's will mature in September and December 2012.

A previous motion was made to move \$200,000 from the checking to the savings account. Only \$175,000 was moved to the savings account to allow funds for payment of board expenses.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

The board office received a call questioning the expiration date of the provisional license upon receipt of NPTE scores. As a result, motion was made by Donna "Dee" Cochran, seconded by Gerald Leglue; "Issuance of a 90 day provisional license will be for 90 days regardless if the scores are passing or failing. This decision is retroactive to the July 2nd administration of the NPTE." All in favor were Donna "Dee" Cochran, Gerald Leglue, Jerry Jones, Jr., Teresa Maize, Kristina Lounsberry, and Danny P. Landry. No one opposed the motion.

Staff reported converting all Adobe .pdf documents available on the web to fillable forms.

The Annual Attestation has begun and documents have been forwarded to the auditor for initial review.

Research for computer programmers who could maintain and edit the board's website and database have produced two vendors for consideration. In an effort to obtain a contract in a timely manner to meet the deadline for renewals in 2013, motion was made by Teresa Maize, seconded by Jerry Jones, Jr.; "Allow the board to enter into a contract with Killer Websites or 5 Pixels Studio for computer services not to exceed \$20,000." All in favor were Donna "Dee" Cochran, Gerald Leglue, Jerry Jones, Jr., Teresa Maize, Kristina Lounsberry, and Danny P. Landry. No one opposed the motion.

7:00 pm Meeting with Shirley Bryan - Discussion was held regarding Ms. Bryan's compliance with her Consent Order. After discussion, Ms. Bryan was scheduled to be at the August Board Meeting to provide proof of compliance with her Consent Order.

MONITORING DISCIPLINED THERAPISTS

Amy Stewart has completed the terms of her Consent Order with the board.

Staff will contact Joseph Health Clampit and schedule him for the August Board Meeting.

RULES AND REGULATIONS IMPLEMENTATION

George Papale provided the following documents for Board review to be used as a Policy to address the Recovering Physical Therapy Program: a Resolution, the Acknowledgments Certifications, and a Participation Agreement. These documents had previously been discussed by a conference call with Jerry Jones, Jr, Cheryl Gaudin, and George Papale. Motion was made by Donna "Dee" Cochran, seconded by Teresa Maize; "To adopt the proposed Board Resolution for establishment and implementation of the Recovering Physical Therapy Program." All in favor were Donna "Dee" Cochran, Gerald Leglue, Jerry Jones, Jr., Teresa Maize, Kristina Lounsberry, and Danny P. Landry. No one opposed the motion.

NEW BUSINESS

Danny P. Landry provided a copy of the APTA House of Delegate packet to all Board Members and Executive Director.

George Papale provided a copy of Act No. 276 from the 2012 Legislative Regular Session which addressed licensure issues for military individuals and their spouses. Cheryl Gaudin was asked to research the branches of the military for identification of physical therapy positions, what those positions are classified as, and what training and/or experience was required. The board may have to draft rules depending on the findings of the research.

LEGAL

Glenn Ducote, attorney requested to attend the Federation of Association of Regulatory Boards Attorney Certification meeting scheduled for October 5 – 7, 2012 in Atlantic Beach, FL. Motion was made by Donna "Dee" Cochran, seconded by Jerry Jones, Jr., "Approve Glenn Ducote to attend the FARB meeting held October 5 – 7, 2012." All in favor were Donna "Dee" Cochran, Jerry Jones, Jr., Teresa Maize, Danny P. Landry, and Kristina Lounsberry. No one opposed the motion.

Glenn Ducote reported an update from the Drug and Wholesale Board.

CORRESPONDENCE

Lacey Pierce, PTA works in a hospital with the state where they care for indigent patients an receive multiple scripts from physicians for Low Back Pain (LBP). Due to multiple no shows for evaluations, the hospital now requires the LBP patient to attend a Back School taught by a PT. The class gives basic mechanics and stabilization exercises for the Back. The hospital is now receiving multiple Knee and Shoulder scripts for chronic pain and wants to start a knee and shoulder class. Is it within the scope of practice for a PTA to teach one of these classes? Staff will respond to Ms Pierce.

Breanna Green, PTA requested suggestions for the weekly PT/PTA conference in a SNF where computer system documentation is used. Should the PT document in the daily note "conference between name, PT and name, PTA", without signatures or should the documentation be on paper then copied into pt's chart? Staff will respond to Ms Green.

Nathan Jeanne, physical therapy graduate from Sacred Heart Academy in Fairfield, Connecticut has been unsuccessful in passing the NPTE PT exam. Jeanne was allowed to sit for the PTA exam in Texas and granted a PTA license after passing that exam. Jeanne is requesting to be allowed to obtain a PTA license by reciprocity in the state of Louisiana. Per board rules, Jeanne is ineligible to reciprocate his PTA license as La rules require graduation from a physical therapy assistant program to be licensed as a PTA. Jerry Jones, Jr. will respond to Jeanne.

OTHER BUSINESS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

TASK TRACKER

Teresa Maize drafted a response to Katie Blanchard regarding clarification when a PTA works PRN in the hospital setting 1-2 weekends a month, is this PTA required to have a face to face with the PT on record if on visit 1-4, or does the full time PTA face to face with the PT following visit 5 (or

do both have to occur)? 2) Same scenario as above except a PT will see the pt following the weekend PRN. PTA and prior to a fifth visit. Does a face to face have to occur in this situation?

Staff responded to Sara W. Borne, PT with information required in discharge summaries.

Glenn Ducote responded to Martha L. Ellis, Case Manager, GoffWilson regarding the board decision rendered for Louisiana licensure applicant Ms. Alma Grace Masamayor.

Staff responded to Matt Pokorny, PT, DPT, OCS, ATC regarding the worker's compensation patient he fitted and provided a sacroiliac brace for indicating it is within the scope of practice for a PT to apply orthotics. However, the board can't address the issue of coding.

Teresa Maize drafted a response to Kim Licausi, PT reporting the majority of his questions pertained to billing issues. The Physical Therapy Board does not address billing issues and referred him to the hospital's billing and coding office for direction, or contact CMS or JCAHO. Information on productivity issues can be addressed in the hospital's billing and coding office, or with specific insurance carriers and CMS.

Teresa Maize drafted a response to Kim Licausi, PT who practices in an acute care PT setting addressing additional questions regarding PT/PTA supervision. Mr. Licausi was informed that many times it is the department supervisor who assigns patients to therapists and therapist assistants requiring the PTA to follow the documented plan of care. The patient conference does not have to occur until treatment has been performed for five consecutive treatment days by the PTA.

Staff responded to John Ware's question if a physician can self refer for treatment. The board determined that a self-referral is allowed.

BOARD MEMBER MONTHLY CALLS

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.
