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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 4, 2019

Item 1- Call to Order/ Roll call to determine the presence of a quorum.

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairperson Smith.

Board Members in Attendance: Sherise Smith, PT, MSPT, CBIS, Chairperson; Eathan O'Bryant, Public Member, left the meeting at 3:05 p.m.; Jennifer Nash, PT, DPT, Secretary/Treasurer; Rebecca Cheema, PTA; Brian Fearnley, PT, MPT, Vice-Chairperson joined the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Staff in Attendance: Debbie Dieter, PT, Investigator; Sarah Bradley, Deputy Attorney General; Charles D. Harvey, Executive Director; Neena Laxalt, Muriel Morin Mendes, Licensing Coordinator; Danielle Devine, Administrative Assistant.

Item 2- Pledge of Allegiance

Item 3- Public Comment

Item 4- Review, discuss, amend, and approve Board Meeting Minutes (**For Possible Action**)
A. November 2, 2018

Motion: Move to approve November 2, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes: Rebecca Cheema

Second: Jennifer Nash

Motion Passes Unanimously

Chairperson Smith announced several items that would be taken out of order for this meeting.

Item 8- Disciplinary Actions (**For Possible Action**) The Board will hold formal hearings wherein it may impose disciplinary action or accept a stipulated settlement agreement, if one is presented, in the following cases:

A. Cherie Yorro, PT # 2649, Case No. 2015-14

Case continued to March 1, 2019 due to scheduling conflict.

B. Steven Bolick, PTA #A-0992, Case No. 2018-01

Mr. Bolick and attorney Brad Slighting present in Las Vegas for the meeting. DAG Bradley advised the Board that Mr. Bolick had met the terms of his probation and asked that the Board consider the Order Granting Licensure with Probation be resolved, and accept the Stipulation for Settlement Agreement before them.

Motion: Motion to accept current Settlement Agreement and Order Granting Licensure with Probation, and require Mr. Bolick to appear before the Board in November 2019 to be released from probation: Sherise Smith

Second: Jen Nash

Motion Passes Unanimously

Item 5- Nevada Physical Therapy Association (NVPTA) Update

NVPTA President RJ Williams provided an update on upcoming NVPTA activities, including: 2019 legislative session; Second Tuesday of the month meetings; Special interest group kick-off meeting; October 18/19 - Tristate conference with California and Arizona; April 17 - PT day on the Hill, to create awareness and advocacy for the profession.

Item 6- Consideration of request to take the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) **(For Possible Action)**

Chair Smith discussed the sixlifetime limit on taking the NPTE and the FSBPT appeal process. Applicant Dominador Ilano was present in Las Vegas, requesting Board approval to take the exam for a seventh time. Mr. Ilano presented information on his test preparation and resources that he can use to get the best scores. The Board requested that Mr. Ilano take the full practice test from PEATS through the FSBPT, and detailed study schedule. No decision was made at this time. Mr. Ilano was asked to come back to the March 1, 2019 meeting with the requested information.

Item 7- Ratification of licenses approved and issued by the authority of the Board pursuant to NRS 640.090, NRS 640.146, NRS 640.240, and NRS 640.250. **(For Possible Action)**

Motion: Motion to ratify licenses issued by the authority of the Board in Item 7: Rebecca Cheema

Second: Sherise Smith

Motion Passes Unanimously

Item 15- Legislative Update & Board Member Training
Board Lobbyist Neena Laxalt provided training on the bill tracking process for the 2019 Legislative Session. She also reviewed the status of the compact bill being introduced.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Meeting Reconvened at 10:45 a.m.

Item 15 - Legislative Update & Board Member Training (Continued)

Item 14- Election of legislative liaison/ committee. **(For Possible Action)** The Board will discuss and possibly select members to serve on as legislative liaison and/or committee member.

Motion: Motion for Jennifer Nash to serve as legislative liaison for this session: Sherise Smith

Second: Rebecca Cheema

Motion Passes Unanimously

Meeting Adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Meeting Reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Item 9- Investigation Department Update

A. Review and Discussion of Outstanding Cases Status Report.

DAG Bradley provided an overview of current cases.

B. Review of Cases Recommended for Dismissal **(For Possible Action)**

DAG Bradley recommended dismissal of six cases (one that can be resolved by letter).

Motion: Motion to send a letter to dismiss the case as stated and dismiss the other five cases: Sherise Smith

Second: Brian Fearnley

Motion Passes Unanimously

C. Plan for 2019 Inspections

Executive Director Harvey provided an overview of future inspections to begin in January of 2019.

Item 11- Board Operations Update

A. Board Office Lease **(For Possible Action)** The Board will discuss and possibly approve Board Office lease options and/or relocation proposal.

Executive Director Harvey presented a summary of the Board office lease and the process of finding a new board office, more suitable for business operations. The proposed office is also less rent and will save the Board money.

Motion: Move to approve lease for new location: Brian Fearnley

Second: Eathan O'Bryant

Motion Passes Unanimously

B. Occupational Licensing Consortium: Director Harvey reviewed information related to the Occupational Licensing Consortium that he has been asked to participate in and what the goals of the consortium are.

C. Board Financial Audit- FY 17/18: Director Harvey reviewed the financial audit that was conducted for fiscal years 2017, 2018.

- D. Audit of Board Business Records – FY 17: Director Harvey reviewed the results of the audit of Board business records for fiscal year 2017.
- E. Board Retreat Planning: The Board discussed the dates of March 1 and 2 for the Board retreat and what the agenda for the two days will entail. Muriel will make the arrangements for flights and hotels.
- F. Board Financial Reports: Director Harvey reviewed the current profit and loss statement, budget and other financial reports.

Update presented by Executive Director Harvey.

Item 10- Executive Director Annual Review (**For Possible Action**) Chairman Smith thanked the Board members and staff for their input on Director Harvey’s annual review. Chairman Smith compiled the review from the input of all Board members and staff and presented the review. The Board thanked Director Harvey for the outstanding job that he has been doing for the Board.

Motion: Motion to increase the Executive Director’s salary to \$101,000 per year: Brian Fearnley

Second: Eathan O’Bryant

Motion Passes Unanimously

Item 12- Report from Board Chair

- A. Model Board Action Guidelines: The Model Board Action Guidelines will be presented at the upcoming Board retreat.
- B. Continuing Competence Model: The Board will be accepting either the old continuing competence model as well as the new model in 2019. Because the NAC’s have not yet been ratified, but licensees have already been educated about the new model, either will be accepted for this license year.
- C. Review of PT Compact Bill and Fees: Board members were asked to review the Physical Therapy Compact information and the Board also reviewed the fees that states currently participating in the Compact are charging. We will need to decide on the fee for Nevada as we move forward with the Compact legislation. The Nevada fee will not be in the statute, but in regulation.

Item 13- Board member appointment and nomination and election for positions of Board Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary/ Treasurer and member for the Advisory Committee on Continuing Competency. (**For Possible Action**)

Motion: Motion to reappoint Sherise Smith as Chairman: Brian Fearnley

Second: Rebecca Cheema

Sherise Smith abstains

Motion Passes Unanimously

Motion: Motion to reappoint Brian Fearnley as Vice-Chairman: Sherise Smith

Second: Rebecca Cheema

Motion Passes Unanimously

Motion: Motion to appoint Jen Nash as Secretary/ Treasurer: Rebecca Cheema

Second: Brian Fearnley

Motion Passes Unanimously

Motion: Motion to appoint Rebecca Cheema as liaison for the Advisory Committee on Continuing Competency: Sherise Smith

Second: Rebecca Cheema

Motion Passes Unanimously

Item 16- Public Comment
None.

Item 17- Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 3:16 pm.