

ADVISORY BOARD ON OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
Minutes
February 1, 2005

The Advisory Board on Occupational Therapy met on Tuesday, February 1, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. at the Department of Health Professions, 6603 West Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia. Patricia Cooper, OT, Chair, called the meeting to order. A quorum was declared.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Patricia D. Cooper, O.T., Chair
Jean A. Hearst, O.T.
Jeffrey Loveland, O.T.
Patricia Scales

MEMBERS ABSENT: Gregory J. Pleasants, M.D.

STAFF PRESENT: William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director
Ola Powers, Deputy Executive Director of Licensing
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Regulatory Analyst

GUESTS PRESENT:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 19, 2004

Mr. Loveland moved to approve the minutes dated May 19, 2004. The motion was seconded, and carried.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Loveland moved to adopt the agenda as amended to include, NBCOT annual meeting and Advisory Board overview. The motion was seconded and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There was no public comment.

#1. Review of Legislation in the 2005 Session of the General Assembly

Ms. Yeatts presented legislation for review and specifically addressed HB 2402 as a matter of interest to the Board. She mentioned that the comment period for the Ethics regulations was closed, and although there were no comments on the occupational therapy regulations, the comments made on general regulations could affect the occupational therapy regulations. Ms. Yeatts reminded the Advisory Board that Emergency regulations, 18 VAC85-80-61, Certification of occupational therapy assistants would be replaced July 27, 2004, to become a final regulation.

#2. Election of Officers

Mr. Loveland moved to nominate Patricia Cooper, O.T. as chair of the Advisory Board. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. Ms. Scales moved to nominate Jeffery Loveland, O.T as vice-chair of the Advisory Board. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

#3. NBCOT Annual Meeting

Ms. Scales and Ms. Hearst expressed interest in attending the next annual meeting of the NBCOT. Information related to that meeting will be provided to each when available.

#4. Advisory Board Overview

Dr. Harp provided a brief description of the history and structure of the Board of Medicine and Advisory Boards, to include licensing, disciplinary and profiling.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Advisory Board meeting was scheduled for April 5, 2005.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Loveland moved to adjourn the meeting of the Advisory Board. The motion was seconded and carried.

Patricia Cooper, O.T.,
Chair

William L. Harp, M.D.
Executive Director

Ola Powers,
Deputy Executive Director, Licensing