

UNAPPROVED
BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
MEETING MINUTES

The Virginia Board of Physical Therapy convened for a board meeting on Friday, November 20, 2015 at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, 2nd Floor, Board Room #2, Henrico, Virginia.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sarah Schmidt, PTA, President
Allen R. Jones, Jr., PT, DPT
Dixie Bowman, PT, DPT, EdD
Tracey Adler, PT, DPT
Arkena Dailey, PT, DPT
Steve Lam, Citizen Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Melissa Wolff-Burke, PT, EdD

DHP STAFF PRESENT FOR THE MEETING:

Lisa R. Hahn, Executive Director
Lynne Helmick, Deputy Executive Director
Missy Currier, Deputy Executive Director
David Brown, D.C., Agency Director
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Policy Analyst

QUORUM:

With 6 members present, a quorum was established.

GUEST PRESENT

Richard Grossman, VPTA
Floyd Herdrich, Acupuncture Society of Virginia
Rebecca Berkson, Acupuncture Society of Virginia
Tom Bohanon, VPTA
M. Satterlund, McGuire Woods
Nakia Howard
Bunny May, VPTA, Ethics Chair
Quena Dailey
Peggy Belmont
George Maihafer
Mark Lane, FSBPT

CALLED TO ORDER

Sarah Schmidt, President, called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

ORDERING OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was accepted as presented.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Allen R. Jones and properly seconded by Tracey Adler, the Board voted to accept the following minutes:

- Board Meeting – August 11, 2015
- Formal Hearing – August 28, 2015
- Ad Hoc Committee – Telehealth – September 24, 2015
- Telephone Conference – October 6, 2015

The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

AGENCY DIRECTORS REPORT – Dr. David Brown

Dr. Brown provided the following Agency news:

- Lisa Hahn had been appointed by the Governor to serve as the new Chief Deputy Director of the Agency. Ms. Hahn would continue in her role as the Executive Director for the boards of Physical Therapy, Long Term Care Administrators, and Funeral Directors & Embalmers until sometime following the 2016 General Assembly Session.
- The two fall board member training sessions were both well attended and successful.
- The Healthcare Workforce Data Center provides wonderful and useful information to the boards and to the public. They received a 90% survey response rate from PT's and PTA's during the 2014 renewals which is phenomenal. Dr. Brown added that it is a goal to share these workforce data reports at the school level with guidance counselors.

This concluded the Agency Directors Report with Dr. Jones leading the board into a round of applause and congratulations for Lisa Hahn and her new role as Chief Deputy for the agency.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT - Lisa R. Hahn

Ms. Hahn welcomed Mark Lane from FSBPT and thanked him for traveling from Northern Virginia bright and early to discuss the Licensure compact to the board. She also mentioned that George Maihafer and Peggy Belmont would be joining later in the meeting as special guests so the board and staff could formally thank them for their hard work and dedication while on the board. Ms. Hahn also mentioned that previous board member; Michael Styron was also scheduled to attend but had to cancel last minute due to unforeseen circumstances.

Expenditure and Revenue Summary

Cash Balance as of June 30, 2015	\$1,003,308
YTD FY16 Revenue	32,785
Direct and allocated expenditures	< 145,382 >
Cash Balance as of 09/30/15	\$ 890,711

Licensee Statistics (as of November 4, 2015)

PT	7,462
PTA	<u>3,028</u>
Total	10,490
DAccess	506

Discipline Statistics (as of November 6, 2015)

Investigations	11
Probable Cause	14
APD	0
Informal Stage	3
Formal Hearing Stage	2
Total Cases	30
Cases being monitored for compliance	12

Detailed Case Offenses

Ms. Hahn reported that detailed offenses during FY15 were provided during the August 2015 meeting and that she would provide the FY16 details next August. She also indicated that following the suggestion by Ms. Wolff-Burke, the information was posted on the board's website.

Virginia Performs (Q1 2016)

- Clearance Rate was 38 %
- Age of Pending Caseload (0%) percent of patient care cases over 250 days (target is no more than 20%)
- Time to Disposition – 67% closed within 250 days (target >90%)
- Licensing Standard less than 30 days – 100%
- Customer Satisfaction – 96.6%

- Q4 Caseloads: Received =8, Closed =3
- Pending cases over 250 days =0; Closed cases within 250 days=2

Ms. Hahn noted that the actual number of cases closed during the quarter was 4 however, the correction had not been made to the report prior to the board meeting.

October 2015 PT Exam Results:

	# who took exam	# Passed	1 st time test takers	Repeat test takers	# Failed	1 st time testers	Repeat Test Takers
US Applicants	48	24	14	10	24	4	20
Foreign Applicants	11	2	0	2	9	2	7
Total	59	26	14	12	33	6	27

2015 YTD PT Exam Stats:

- 85.4% pass rate/14.6% fail
- Total of 600 Virginia Applicants have taken exam–
- (493/passed –107/failed) = 82.17% pass rate
- Total of 33 Foreign Applicants have taken exam – (11/passed – 22/failed) = 33.33% pass rate

October 2015 PTA Exam Results:

	# who took exam	# Passed	1 st time test takers	Repeat test takers	# Failed	1 st time testers	Repeat Test Takers
US Applicants	50	31	25	6	19	7	12

Foreign Applicants	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	50	31	25	6	19	7	12

2015 YTD PTA Exam Stats:

- 77.62% pass rate/22.38% failure rate
- Total of 277 Virginia Applicants have taken exam
- (215/passed – 62/failed)
- No Foreign Applicants have taken the PTA exam

FSBPT UPDATES:

Exam Eligibility Changes effective January 1, 2016:

Ms. Hahn stated that the following exam eligibility changes are posted on our website and that FSBPT has already been notifying all applicants who have taken and had a failed attempt of the new eligibility requirements. Staff is receiving calls on the process to appeal and expect more calls before the January 2016 effective date.

- Life time of 6 attempts only
- 2 scores of 400 or below

Recent PEAT Copyright Violations:

- We reported during August meeting that Candidates were caught sharing copyrighted Practice Examination and Assessment Tool items through social networks.
- This impacted score reporting for 6 of our Virginia candidates whose scores have since been released.

aPTitude:

- 565 total have signed up
 - 427 elected to share tracking with Virginia
 - 138 elected not to share tracking

Physical Therapy Licensure Compact:

In preparation for this meeting, we invited the VPTA, APTA along with other special guests to the meeting today and we let them know that Mark Lane from FSBPT would be providing us with a presentation on the Licensure Compact.

FSBPT Annual Meeting & Delegate Assembly

Sarah Schmidt, Board President and Missy Currier, Deputy Executive Director attended the October meeting for which they will provide a report later in the meeting.

Tele-Health in Physical Therapy:

- During the last meeting we established an Ad Hoc Committee to develop a Telehealth policy for PT for which Dr. Jones, Chair will provide a report later in the meeting.

Board Business:

Ms. Hahn stated that Officer Elections would be held as the last order of business for the day and that nomination forms had been provided for each member to review.

2016 Calendar

- February 9th
- May 10th
- August 16th
- November 15th

With no further questions, Ms. Hahn concluded her report.

PRESENTATION – Mark Lane, Vice-President, FSBPT

Mark Lane provided the board with a thorough presentation on the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact including details of how it will be organized as well as a brief history of how the concept was first initiated. He explained how the Compact will help facilitate interstate practice of physical therapy by improving public access to physical therapy services.

He concluded that the next steps the board should take would be to talk amongst themselves, collaborate with state chapters; educate legislators; obtain sponsors and political support, and consider introducing the compact during the 2017 General Assembly.

BREAK

The Board took a recess at 10:55 a.m. and reconvened at 11:05 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Regulatory Report – Elaine Yeatts, Senior Policy Analyst

Ms. Yeatts was pleased to report that the Notice of Intent of the Regulatory Action (NOIRA) to incorporate into regulation the guidance on dry needling currently found in Guidance Document 112-9 was approved by the Governor. She stated the comment period will end on December 30th and that the Regulatory/Legislative Committee should meet prior to their next full board meeting to work on proposed language.

Ms. Yeatts reported that the new regulatory changes for direct access certification became effective on November 5, 2015.

Adhoc Committee Report – Telehealth – Allen R. Jones, Jr., PT, DPT

Dr. Jones reported that the Adhoc Committee convened a meeting on September 24, 2015 and with the staff assistance of Lisa Hahn, Missy Currier, Lynne Helmick and Elaine Yeatts, they were able to draft a very thorough guidance document on Telehealth. With no questions asked by fellow board members, Dr. Jones asked for a motion to accept Guidance Document 112-21 on Telehealth as presented.

A motion was made by Arkena Daily and properly seconded by Dixie Bowman to accept Guidance Document 112-21. The motion passed unanimously.

FSBPT Annual Meeting & Delegate Assembly – Sarah Schmidt, President

Sarah Schmidt began by thanking staff for all of their hard work keeping the Virginia Board of Physical Therapy so well run and organized. She reminded the members how important it is to understand FOIA and the repercussions of not following staff guidance when dealing with the public as a representative of the board or not understanding what constitutes a meeting. She shared that she attended a couple of sessions on Telehealth in national and international settings. Ms. Schmidt also mentioned that Duke University was close to completion on training modules designed primarily for non-US trained PT students as an alternative solution to completing some of their educational requirements.

Missy Currier mentioned that FSBPT would be rolling out a new Jurisdiction Interface in December which would include better features, access to additional information, exam history, enhanced security, and a new FSBPT ID. Ms. Currier was also pleased to announce that Virginia had received a 5 Star rating with FSBPT.

Election of Officers

A motion was made by Allen R. Jones, Jr. and properly seconded by Arkena Daily to close the nominations for President and Vice-President. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Steve Lam and properly seconded by Arkena Daily to elect Allen R. Jones, Jr. as Vice-President. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Allen R. Jones, Jr. and properly seconded by Steve Lam to elect Sarah Schmidt as President. The motion passed unanimously.

BOARD MEMBER APPRECIATION

Sarah Schmidt presented Peggy Belmont and George Maihafer each with a wall plaque of appreciation for all of their hard work and dedication for many years on the board.

BOARD MEMBER SUGGESTION

Arkena Dailey requested that the board review the terms of office during the next board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

With all business concluded, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Sarah Schmidt, PTA, President

Lisa R. Hahn, MPA, Executive Director

Date

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