

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION
South Carolina Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners
Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building
110 Centerview Dr, Columbia SC 29210
Video/Teleconference

Friday, November 17, 2023

Board Members Present

Lesly W. James, Ph.D., OTR/L, Chairperson
Ricardo Holmes, Sr., OTR/L, Vice-Chairperson
Rebecca Coleman, OTR/L
Leslie Lyerly, RN
Nadine K. Hanner, OT

Board Members Absent

Melissa Hevia, OTA

Staff Present

Mack Williams, Board Administrator
Mary League, Esquire, Advice Counsel

Public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the SC Board of Occupational Therapy Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building 110 Centerview Drive, provided to all requesting persons, organizations, and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

Call to Order

Dr. James, Chair called the meeting to order at 10:02am. The meeting was held via video/teleconference.

Approval of the Agenda:

Motion: In open session, Mr. Holmes made a motion to approve the November 17, 2023 meeting agenda. The motion is seconded and approved.

Approval / Disapproval of Absent Members:

Motion: In open session, Ms. Coleman made a motion to approve the absence of Ms. Hevia. The motion is seconded and approved.

Approval of the Minutes:

Motion: In open session, Mr. Holmes made a motion to approve the August 11, 2023 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and approved.

Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE/IRC) Report: Mr. Bond presented the statistical report and training report to the Board.

The Board accepted both reports as information.

IRC Recommendations

Mr. Bond presented the IRC report to the Board. Two cases are Dismissal Case 2023-2 and Case 2023-9 and one Formal Complaint Case 2023-6.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Holmes made a motion to approve the recommendations for dismissal case 2023-2 and case 2023-9. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Holmes made a motion to approve the recommendations for a formal complaint case 2023-6. The motion was seconded and approved.

Office of General Council (ODC) Report: Mr. Williams, presented the ODC Report.

The Board accepted the ODC report as information.

Finance Report: Mr. Williams, Board Administrator, presented the financial report. The Board accepted the finance report as information.

Application Hearing:

Kathryn Perry: The purpose of this hearing was to determine whether Ms. Perry should be granted reinstatement as an Occupational Therapist in South Carolina. Ms. Perry appeared by WebEx and was represented by Christine Toporek, Esq.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Holmes made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal counsel. The motion was seconded and approved.

Executive Session: No votes taken during executive session [10:35 am – 10:50 am]

Motion: In open session, Ms. Lyrly made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Hanner made a motion to grant Ms. Perry reinstatement as an Occupational Therapist with the conditions of providing proof of sixteen (16) continuing education hours and a \$200.00 civil penalty. The motion was seconded and approved.

Discussion Items:

2021-2023 CE Audit Update: Mr. Williams discussed the CE audit with the Board.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Hanner made a motion to adopt the CE audit process for licensees who have passed or failed. The motion was seconded and approved.

2024 SCOTA Annual Meeting-Approve Members to attend: The Board discussed the SCOTA Conference.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Holmes made a motion to approve Ms. Coleman, Ms. Lyerly and Ms. Hanner to attend SCOTA Annual Meeting. The motion was seconded and approved.

2024 AOTA Annual Meeting-Approve Members to attend: The Board discussed the AOTA Conference.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Holmes made a motion to approve Dr. James and Ms. Hanner to attend the AOTA Annual Conference. The motion was seconded and approved.

2024 NAP Annual Meeting-Approve Members to attend: The Board discussed the NAP Conference.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Holmes made a motion to approve himself and Mr. Williams to attend the 2024 NAP Conference. The motion was seconded and approved.

2024 Board Meeting Dates-Vote to Approve: The Board discussed the 2024 meeting dates.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Hanner made a motion to approve the February and November meetings to be virtual and the May and August meetings to be in person. The motion was seconded and approved

OT Licensure Compact Update- : The Board discussed the Compact Update.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:41pm.



Administrator

2-9-2024

Date