South Carolina Board of Occupational Therapy
Board Meeting
Friday, May 16, 2014
Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, Room 204
110 Centerview Drive
Columbia, South Carolina

Board members present were:

Lesly W. James, PhD, OTR/L, Chairperson Susan Hardin, OTR/L, Vice President Ricardo Holmes, Sr., OTR/L Janine P. Turner, OTR/L

Others present were:

Mary League, Advice Counsel Veronica Reynolds, Administrator Mack Williams, Administrative Assistant

Excused Absence:

Joyce Branham, Board Member

Public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the South Carolina Board of Occupational Therapy office, lobby of the Kingstree Building and provided to all requesting persons, organizations and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act. A quorum was present at all times.

Call to Order

Dr. James, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m., Room 204, Kingstree Bldg, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina.

Approval of the Agenda

Motion: Ms. Hardin made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded and approved.

Approval of the Minutes

Motion: Ms. Hardin made a motion to approve the February 6, 2014 minutes. The motion was seconded and approved.

Approval/Disapproval of Absent Members

Motion: Ms. Hardin made a motion to approve the absence of Ms. Branham. The motion was seconded and approved.

Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE) Report Mr. Sanders presented the IRC report to the Board, case 2013-11 recommended for a dismissal and case 2013-7, 2014-1 and 2014-2 recommended for formal complaint.

Motion: Ms. Turner made a motion to accept the IRC recommendations for case 2013-11 recommended for dismissal and case 2013-7, 2014-1 and 2014-2 recommended for formal complaint. The motion was seconded and approved.

Mr. Sanders presented the statistical report to the Board, four (4) cases for the quarter, three (3) cases closed and currently there is one (1) active investigation.

Motion: Ms. Turner made a motion to accept the OIE statistical report as information. The motion was seconded and approved.

Office of General Counsel (OGC) Report Mr. Hanks, Assistant General Counsel presented the OGC report to the Board. There are a total of five (5) cases one (1) pending negotiations and four (4) pending action.

Motion: Ms. Turner made a motion to accept the OGC report as information. The motion was seconded and approved.

Finance Report Ms. Reynolds presented the financial report to the Board.

Discussion Item

NBCOT Notification of Lapsed Certifications: Ms. Reynolds indicated that NBCOT would forward a report of lapsed certifications to the Board at the end of the renewal period and during the month of November, certifications not renewed will be suspended. Ms. Turner suggested that a question regarding the expiration of the NBCOT certification be added to the renewal application. Ms. League suggested when a licensee certification is found to be lapsed a letter is sent reminding the licensee as a condition of the renewal the certification must be current.

Application Hearing

Mary Jo Danis: Ms. Danis made a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel. The purpose of the hearing was to determine if a license should be granted as an Occupational Therapist Assistant.

<u>Motion</u>: Ms. Turner made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal advice from counsel. The motion was seconded and approved.

[Executive Session:] No votes were taken during executive session. 12:15 p.m. - 12:33 p.m.

Motion: Ms. Turner made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded and approved.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Turner made a motion to approve the application and grant a license as an Occupational Therapy Assistant. The motion was seconded and approved.

Dr. James mentioned the NBCOT 20th Annual Regulatory Conference will be held October 24-25, 2014 and would like to know at the next scheduled meeting any members interested in attending.

Adjournment

Motion: Ms. Hardin made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and approved. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Veronica Reynolds

Administrator

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Date