

**South Carolina Board of Occupational Therapy
Board Meeting
Friday, November 1, 2013
Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building , Room 108
110 Centerview Drive
Columbia, South Carolina**

Board members present were:

Lesly W. James, PhD, OTR/L, Chairperson
Susan Hardin, OTR/L, Vice President
Joyce J. Branham, OTR/L
Ricardo Holmes, Sr., OTR/L

Others present were:

Sara McCartha, Advice Counsel
Veronica Reynolds, Administrator
Mack Williams, Administrative Assistant

Excused Absence:

Janine P. Turner, OTR/L

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 10:00 a.m., Room 108, Kingstree Bldg, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion: Ms. Branham made a motion to approve the May 17, 2013 minutes. The motion was seconded and approved.

Approval/Disapproval of absent members: Ms. Turner excused absence.

Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE) Report: Mr. Sanders presented the statistical report to the Board. Mr. Sanders presented the IRC report to the Board, case #2013-8, 2013-9 and 2013-10 recommended for formal complaint.

Motion: Ms. Branham made a motion to accept the IRC recommendation for complaints 2013-8, 2013-9 and 2013-10 as formal complaint. The motion was seconded and approved.

Office of General Counsel (OGC) Report: Mr. Hanks, Assistant General Counsel presented the OGC report to the Board. Six (6) cases are currently open, four (4) of those cases are pending consent and the other two (2) are pending additional actions.

Finance Report: Ms. Reynolds presented the financial report to the Board. Board Members traveling in the future would need to purchase their airline tickets in advance and file for reimbursement. She also indicated all licensees that were audited for their NBCOT certification were in compliance.

Agreement to Relinquish License to Practice

Benjamin King: Mr. King did not make personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel. Mr. Hanks, Assistant General Counsel from the Office of General Counsel presented to the Board a signed agreement from Mr. King relinquishing his license to practice as an Occupational Therapy Assistant.

Motion: Ms. Hardin made a motion to accept the agreement from Mr. King to relinquish the license to practice. The motion was seconded and approved.

Consent Agreement

Brigitte King: Ms. King did not make personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel. Mr. Hanks, Assistant General Counsel from the Office of General Counsel presented the signed consent agreement to the Board.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Holmes made a motion to accept the consent agreement. The motion was seconded and approved.

Jennifer Russell: Ms. Russell did not make personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel. Mr. Hanks, Assistant General Counsel from the Office of General Counsel presented the signed consent agreement to the Board.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Hardin made a motion to accept the consent agreement. The motion was seconded and approved.

Application Hearings

Stephanie Weilmann: Ms. Weilmann 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.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Holmes made a motion to accept the renewal application and grant a license to practice Occupational Therapy. The motion was seconded and approved.

Laura Taylor: Ms. Taylor 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.

Motion: Ms. Branham 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.

Motion: Ms. Branham made a motion to come out of Executive Session. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Hardin made a motion to accept the reinstatement application and grant a license to practice as an Occupational Therapy Assistant subject to the following conditions; Ms. Taylor must submit quarterly reports to the Board through the next renewal period and be evaluated by the Recovering Professional Program (RPP). Ms. Taylor must be in compliance with any requirements established by the program, failure to do so the license will be subject to administrative suspension. The motion was seconded and approved.

Maria Fox: Ms. Fox 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.

Motion: Ms. Branham 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.

Motion: Ms. Branham made a motion to come out of Executive Session. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Hardin made a motion to approve the application and grant a license to practice as an Occupational Therapist. The motion was seconded and approved.

Brian Arnold: Mr. Arnold 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.

Motion: Ms. Hardin 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.

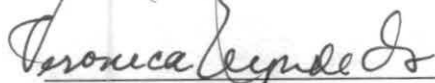
Motion: Ms. Hardin made a motion to come out of Executive Session. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Hardin made a motion to accept the application and grant a license as an Occupational Therapy Assistant subject to the following conditions Mr. Arnold practice shall be subject to restrictions, he cannot work in school settings and cannot see minor patients. The motion was seconded and approved.

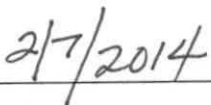
Sarah G. Schultz, President, S.C. Occupational Therapy Association: Ms Schultz introduced herself to the Board.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:52 P.M.



Veronica Reynolds
Administrator



Date