

**South Carolina Board of Occupational Therapy Board Meeting
Friday, February 8, 2019
Synergy Business Park, Kingtree Building
110 Centerview Drive, Room 105
Columbia, South Carolina 29211**

Board Members Present

Lesly W. James, Ph.D., OTR/L, Chairperson
Ricardo Holmes, Sr., OTR/L, Vice Chairman
M. Rebecca Coleman, OTR
Hima N. Dalal, OTR
Melissa Hevia, OTA
Todd A. Laliberte, OTR

Staff Present

Robert Elam, Advice Counsel
Mack Williams, Board Administrator
Julia Lawson, Board Administrative Assistant

Public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the South Carolina Board of Occupational Therapy office, lobby of the Kingtree 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, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m., Room 105, Kingtree Building, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29211.

Approval of the Agenda

Motion: In open session, Ms. Dalal made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded and approved.

Approval of the Minutes

Motion: In open session, Mr. Holmes made a motion to approve the August 10, 2018 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and approved.

Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE) Report: Mr. Hinson, Office of Investigations and Enforcement, presented the Statistical report to the Board. There are four (4) cases, two (2) cases are closed with resolutions and two (2) are active cases.

The Board accepted the Statistical report as information.

Mr. Hinson, Office of Investigations and Enforcement, presented the IRC report to the Board. Case 2018-4 recommended for dismissal. Cases 2018-2 and 2018-5 recommended for formal complaint.

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

Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC) Report: Mr. Gwynne, Esq., Office of Disciplinary Council, presented the ODC report; there are five (5) open cases and one final order hearing.

The Board accepted the ODC report as information.

Finance Report: Mr. Williams reviewed the finance report with the Board.

The Board accepted the report as information.

Renewals: Mr. Williams updated the Board on renewals.

Ethics Commission: Mr. Williams reminded the Board to file the Ethics by the deadline of March 30, 2019.

Disciplinary Hearings

Memorandum of Agreement

OIE 2017-2: The respondent made a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by counsel. Mr. Gwynne presented the memorandum of agreement to the Board.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Laliberte made a motion to close the hearing. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In closed session, Mr. Laliberte made a motion to go into executive session. The motion was seconded and approved.

[Executive Session:] No votes were taken during executive session (11:37 a.m. – 12:43 p.m.)

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

Motion: In closed session, Mr. Holmes made a motion to come out of closed session. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Hevia made a motion that the Board accept the Memorandum of Agreement provided by the ODC and to revoke the license. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Hevia made a motion to proceed to initial applications. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Laliberte made a motion to reorder the agenda to hear Mr. Mitchell's application. The motion was seconded and approved.

Application Hearing

Initial Application

Patrick Mitchell: Mr. Mitchell appeared via phone and was not represented by legal counsel. Mr. Mitchell was sworn in by a Notary. 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 grant Mr. Mitchell an Occupational Therapy license. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Holmes made a motion to return to the order of the agenda. The motion was seconded and approved.

Angelise Mattoon: Ms. Mattoon 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: In open session, Ms. Dalal made a motion to grant Ms. Mattoon an Occupational Therapy Assistant license. The motion was seconded and approved.

Courtney Schmit: Ms. Schmitt 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: In open session, Mr. Laliberte made a motion to close the hearing. The motion was seconded and approved.

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

[Executive Session:] No votes were taken during executive session (1:15 p.m. – 1:27 p.m.)

Motion: In closed session, Mr. Laliberte made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In closed session, Mr. Holmes made a motion to come out of closed session. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Coleman made a motion to grant Ms. Schmitt an Occupational Therapy Assistant license. The motion was seconded and approved.

Discussion Items

CE Broker

Mr. Boland and Mr. Williams updated the Board on CE Broker.

Frequently Asked Questions

Mr. Williams updated the Board on FAQs.

Student Supervision

The Board discussed the regulations regarding student supervision.

Legislative Update

Dr. James updated the Board on the proposed Legislation.

2019 SCOTA Conference

Motion: In open session, Ms. Dalal made a motion to approve Mr. Holmes and Mr. Laliberte to attend the 2019 SCOTA Conference in Charleston, SC on behalf of the Board. The motion was seconded and approved.

2019 AOTA Annual Conference

Motion: In open session, Ms. Dalal made a motion to approve Dr. James and Mr. Holmes attend the 2019 AOTA Annual Conference in New Orleans, LA on behalf of the Board. The motion was seconded and approved.

NBCOT Leadership Forum

Motion: In open session, Ms. Dalal made a motion to approve Dr. James and Mr. Williams to attend the NBCOT Leadership Forum on behalf of the Board. The motion was seconded and approved.

Board Meeting Dates


Motion: In open session, Mr. Laliberte made a motion to approve the 2019 Board meeting dates. The motion was seconded and approved.

Board Election of Officers

Motion: In open session, Mr. Laliberte made a motion to elect Dr. James as Board Chair and Mr. Holmes as Vice Chair. The motion was seconded and approved.

Adjournment

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 2:34 p.m.



Mack Williams
Administrator

6-12-19

Date