

South Carolina Board of Occupational Therapy Board Meeting
Friday, August 11, 2017
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
Hima N. Dalal, OTR
Melissa Hevia, OTA
M. Rebecca Colman, OTR

Absent Member

Todd A. Laliberte, OTR

Staff Present

Adam Russell, Advice Counsel
Mack Williams, Administrator
Shaun Strother, Board 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, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m., Room 105, Kingtree Building, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29211.

Approval of the Agenda

Motion: In open session, Ms. Coleman 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 May 5, 2017 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and approved.

Approval/Disapproval of absent members

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

Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE) Report: Mr. Jennings, Office of Disciplinary Counsel presented the statistical report to the Board. There was one active case received that is under investigation. 16 cases closed from January 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017. No current cases are assigned during the current fiscal year.

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The Board accepted the report as information.

Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC) Report: Mr. Jennings, Office of Disciplinary Counsel presented the ODC report to the Board there are three (3) active cases.

The Board accepted the report as information.

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

The Board accepted the report as information.

Application Hearings

Initial Application

Christine Johnson: Ms. Johnson made a personal appearance before the Board and was 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, Ms. Dalal made a motion to grant a license to practice as an Occupational Therapist in South Carolina with no conditions. The motion was seconded and approved.

Kathleen McGuire: Ms. McGuire did not make it to the appearance before the Board. 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 extend the license until the next board meeting. The motion was seconded and approved.

Andrea Hall: Ms. Hall 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 reinstated to practice as an Occupational Therapist.

Motion: In open 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 (11:47 a.m. – 11:51 a.m.)

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

Motion: In open session, Ms. Dalal made a motion to grant a license to practice as an Occupational Therapist in South Carolina with a letter of caution. The motion was seconded and approved.

Christopher Miles: Mr. Miles 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 reinstated to practice as an Occupational Therapist.

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Motion: In open session, Mr. Holmes made a motion to grant a license to practice as an Occupational Therapist in South Carolina. The motion was seconded and approved.

Elizabeth Gentry: Ms. Gentry 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 reinstated to practice as an Occupational Therapist.

Motion: In open 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 (12:12 p.m. – 12:34 p.m.)

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

Motion: In open session, Mr. Holmes made a motion to grant a provisional license to practice as an Occupational Therapist in South Carolina. All reactivation fees are required to be paid for license. 1,000 hours of supervision are required based on the Code of Laws. Different supervisors are permitted. A quarterly report must be submitted by the supervisor to the Board for a year. To request an extension, Ms. Gentry must appear before the full Board. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Coleman made a motion to restrict work setting to the nursing home facility. The motion was seconded and approved.

Melissa Turnip: Ms. Turnip 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 reinstated to practice as an Occupational Therapist.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Hevia made a motion to go into executive session. The motion was seconded and approved.

[Executive Session:] No votes were taken during executive session (12:49 p.m. – 12:56 p.m.)

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

Motion: In open session, Ms. Hevia made a motion to grant a reinstatement of license to practice as an Occupational Therapist in South Carolina with a letter of caution. The motion was seconded and approved.

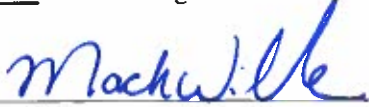
Regulatory Review Pursuant to Executive Order 2017-9

The Board reviewed the regulations in accordance to Executive Order 2017-9.

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Adjournment

Motion: There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:32 p.m.



Mack Williams
Administrator



Date