South Carolina Board of Occupational Therapy
Special Call Meeting
Friday, May 17, 2013
Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, Room 202-02
110 Centerview Drive
Columbia, South Carolina

Board members present were:

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

Others present were:

Yvonne R. Thurston-Bohannon, Court Reporter Sheridon Spoon, Advice Counsel Veronica Reynolds, Administrator Mack Williams, Administrative Assistant

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. Wilson, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., Room 202-02, Kingstree Bldg, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion: Ms. Turner made a motion to approve the February 8<sup>th</sup> and March 19, 2013 minutes. The motion was seconded and approved.

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

Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE) Report: Ms. Myers presented the statistical report to the Board. Ms. Myers presented the IRC report to the Board, case #2013-1 recommended for dismissal, case# 2012-3, 2013-5, 2013-6 recommended formal complaint and case# 2012-5, 2012-6 recommended letter of caution.

<u>Motion</u>: Ms. Turner made a motion to accept the IRC recommendation for complaints 2013-1 for a dismissal and the following complaints 2012-3, 2013-5, 2013-6 for a formal complaint and 2012-5, 2012-6 receive a letter of caution. The motion was seconded and approved.

Office of General Counsel (OGC) Report: Ms. Reynolds presented the OGC report to the Board.

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

Board Report: Ms. Reynolds presented the Board report to the Board.

Legislative updated: Ms. Reynolds gave an update on the Board's regulations.

# **Application Hearings**

## Renewal Application

**Chamar Jackson:** Mr. Jackson 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.

<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.

<u>Motion</u>: Ms. Turner 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 grant a license. The motion was seconded and approved.

# **Application by Endorsement**

**Sucinda Gutierrez:** Ms. Gutierrez 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.

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

Motion: In open session, Ms. Turner made a motion to grant a license subject to the following conditions: Ms. Gutierrez be evaluated by the South Carolina Recovering Professional Program (RPP) and enroll if recommended in addition provide letters of recommendation to the Board from the immediate supervisor and another occupational therapist at the prior place of employment in Florida. The motion was seconded and approved.

**Russell Jones:** Mr. Jones 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.

<u>Motion</u>: 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.

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

**Motion:** In open session, Ms. Turner made a motion to grant a license subject to the following condition, the practice be limited to the current employer until further ordered by the Board. The motion was seconded and approved.

**Delilah Wright:** Ms. Wright 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.

<u>Motion</u>: 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.

<u>Motion</u>: Ms. Turner 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 defer action on the application until Ms. Wright submits the following documentation for reconsideration: Evaluation by the South Carolina Recovering Professional Program (RPP), psychiatric and mental health evaluation by a program approved by the Board, verification of a current driver license record from all states in which a license was held. Ms. Wright must provide a current criminal background check and a disposition of charges that are not pending, provide employment and character references, and must update the application for licensure, answering "yes" to personal history questions three (3) nine (9) and ten (10). The motion was seconded and approved.

#### **Continuing Education Audits**

Motion: In open session, Ms. Turner made a motion that any licensee that allows their NBCOT certification to lapse will be sent a courtesy letter and copy the employer informing them they will have sixty (60) days to come into compliance, failure to comply the license will be administratively suspended pending a Board appearance. The motion was seconded and approved.

<u>Motion</u>: Ms. Turner made a motion to go into Executive Session for legal counsel. The motion was seconded and approved.

[Executive Session:] No votes were taken during Executive Session.

<u>Motion</u>: Ms. Turner made a motion to come out of Executive Session. The motion was seconded and approved.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 P.M.

Veronica Reynolds

Administrator

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Date