

**South Carolina Board of Occupational Therapy Board Meeting
Friday, August 10, 2018
Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building
110 Centerview Drive, Room 108
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

Adam Russell, Advice Counsel
Mack Williams, Board Administrator

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, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m., Room 105, Kingstree Building 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29211.

Approval of the Agenda

Motion: In open session, Mr. Laliberte made a motion to reorder the agenda. Moving up the regulatory review under the discussion items. The motion was seconded and approved by Mr. Holmes.

Approval of the Minutes

Motion: In open session, Ms. Dalal made a motion to approve the May 18, 2018 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and approved by Mr. Holmes.

Regulatory Review: The Board reviewed and discussed changes to regulation Chp 94.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Laliberte made a motion that the Board submit a Notice of Drafting to update section 94-07 and 94-10. The motion was seconded approved.

Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE) Report: Mr. Hinson, presented the IRC/Statistical report to the Board. There were no IRC case recommendations.

The Board accepted the report as information.

Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC) Report: Mr. Jennings, Esq. presented the ODC report to the Board. There were five (5) open cases, three (3) pending MOAs with a scheduled hearing for November 16, 2018. Two (2) MOAs being negotiated.

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

Eileen Hume: Ms. Hume 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 grant Ms. Hume a license to practice in South Carolina. The motion was seconded and approved by Ms. Coleman.

Reinstatement Application

Lisa Richardson: Ms. Richardson made a personal appearance before the Board and was represented by Suzanne Hawkins, Esq. The purpose of the hearing was to determine if a license should be reinstated as an Occupational Therapist.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Laliberte made a motion to go into executive session for legal counsel. The motion was seconded and approved by Mr. Holmes.

[Executive Session:] 10:55 a.m. – 11:07 a.m.

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

Motion: In open session, Mr. Holmes made a motion to grant a provisional license for 12 months to obtain 500 hours of clinical practice restricted to a setting with the on-site supervision of OT. The respondent must submit a supervisory form and pay all associated fees to practice in South Carolina. The motion was seconded and approved by Mr. Laliberte.

Jessica W. Koesters: Mrs. Koesters 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 as an Occupational Therapist.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Holmes made a motion to go into executive session for legal counsel. The motion was seconded and approved by Mr. Laliberte.

[Executive Session:] 11:17 a.m. – 11:39 a.m.

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

Motion: In open session, Mr. Homes made a motion to reinstate the license to practice in South Carolina. The motion was seconded and approved by Ms. Hevia.

Discussion Items

AOTA Regulatory Forum Update

Dr. James updated the Board on the 2018 AOTA Regulatory forum.


Review of FAQs

The Board discussed the frequently asked questions.


Motion: Ms. Coleman made a motion to accept the changes to the frequently asked questions pending review and approval by legal counsel. The motion was seconded and approved by Mr. Holmes.

Adjournment

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 12:44 p.m.



Mack Williams
Administrator



Date