SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION

South Carolina Board of Physical Therapy Examiners Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building 110 Centerview Drive, Room 108 Columbia SC 29211

Thursday, July 9, 2015

Board Members Present

Marilyn Swygert, P.T., Member, Chairperson Roy Christopher Junkins, P.T.A, Vice Chair Matthew Judd Warren, P.T.A., Member Anna M. Dilts, P.T., Member Mary Addison Blackstone, P.T., Member Rachel Wiggins, P.T., Member Lori Winkles, P.T., Member Greg Forlini, P.T., Member

Absent Member

Texas T. Smith, Public Member

Staff Present

Alexander S. Imgrund, Esq., Advice Counsel Veronica Reynolds, Administrator Shaun Strother, Board Assistant

Public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the SC Board of Physical Therapy Examiners, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building 110 Centerview Drive, Room 108 Columbia, SC 29211 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.

Call to Order

Ms. Swygert, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. The meeting was held in Room 108 located in the Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building at 110 Centerview Drive, in Columbia, South Carolina 29211.

Approval/Disapproval of Absent Member

Motion: In open session, Mr. Junkins made a motion to excuse Mr. Smith absence. The motion was seconded and approved.

Approval of the Agenda:

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Mr. Junkins made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded and approved.

Approval of the Minutes:

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Mr. Junkins made a motion to approve the April 9, 2015 meeting minutes - no corrections noted. The motion was seconded and approved.

New Business

Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE) Report: Mr. Love, Chief Investigator of OIE office presented the statistic report there were four (4) active cases: one case closed, one pending expert review and three (3) pending IRC review. He stated that he had eight (8) dismissals and three (3) letters of caution for dismissal to present to the Board.

IRC Recommendations

Case #:

- 2014-11
- 2014-16
- 2014-21
- 2014-23
- 2014-24
- 2015-05
- 2015-06
- 2015-07
- 2014-15
- 2014-20
- 2014-22

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Mr. Junkins made a motion to accept the IRC recommendations for dismissals. The motions was seconded and approved.

The Board reviewed the statistical report as information.

Office of General Council (ODC) Report: Ms. Flannery presented the Office of Disciplinary Council (ODC) statistical report indicating there was one open case and seven (7) cases closed this year. She stated one case will be presented to the Board.

Consent Agreement

Case # 2014-12: The respondent did not make a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel. Ms. Flannery, Office of Disciplinary Council presented the consent agreement to the Board.

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

Finance Report: Ms. Reynolds, Board Administrator presented the financial report.

Guidelines for Education/Certification requirements Dry needling and proper coding: The Board discussed dry needling and proper coding with Ms. Flannery.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Mr. Junkins 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. [12:34 p.m. - 1:29 p.m.]

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Mr. Junkins made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded and approved.

Application Hearings

Initial Applications

Jeanne Copleston: The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Ms. Copleston should be granted a physical therapy assistant license. Ms. Copleston made a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by counsel.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Mr. Junkins 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. [11:20 p.m. - 11:45 p.m.]

<u>Motion:</u> In open session, Mr. Warren made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded and approved.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Blackstone made a motion that Ms. Copleston application for a license to practice physical therapy in South Carolina be deferred with conditions. The motions was seconded and approved.

Benjamin Marcengill: The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Mr. Marcengill should be granted a physical therapy assistant license. Mr. Marcengill made a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by counsel.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Junkins made a motion that Mr. Marcengill be granted a license to practice physical therapy in South Carolina. The motions was seconded and approved.

Brittany North: The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Ms. North should be granted a license as a physical therapist. Ms. North made a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by counsel.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Mr. Junkins made a motion that Ms. North be granted a license to practice physical therapy in South Carolina. The motion was seconded and approved.

Discussion Topics

- **a.** Opinion on Telehealth: Ms. Swygert, Board Chair presented Dr. Wise and Dr. Morrisette to discuss Telehealth and they presented a video on the subject.
- b. Jurisprudence Exam Update: The Board discussed the jurisprudence exam questions.
- c. Election of Delegates for The Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) Conference: After Board discussion, the Board voted Ms. Swygert as delegate and Mr. Warren as alternate delegate to attend the FSBPT conference. The Board voted to approve three people plus the Board Administrator to attend. It was left if the agency would pay for three others: Ms. Blackstone, Ms. Dilts and Ms. Wiggins.
- d. Early Testing prior to graduation: The Board discussed early testing prior to graduation and the applicant must submit their application timely and all documents from the school must be in the office prior to approval.
- e. Medicine in PT Offices: The Board discussed Medicine in the PT offices. Mr. Imgrund, Advice counsel stated that he will present further information to the Board at a later time.
- f. Continuing Education Audits: The Board set a date for the Continuing Education Audits to be conducted on August 14, 2015.
- g. FSBPT Board Members Training Update: Ms. Dilts and Ms. Blackstone gave the Board a update on FSBPT Board Member training they attended in June 2015.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: There being no other Board business. Mr. Warren made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:20 p.m. The motion was seconded and approved.

Administrator

12/08/15