

MINUTES

PHYSICAL THERAPY LICENSING BOARD MEETING

December 15, 2015

Room 402 – 4th Floor – 9:00 a.m.
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111

CONVENED: 9:08 a.m.

ADJOURNED: 11:07 a.m.

Bureau Manager:

Suzette Farmer, PhD, RN

Board Secretary:

Compliance Specialist:

Susan Higgs, Compliance

Conducting:

Kim Cohee, DPT

Committee Members Present:

Kim Cohee, DPT
Kim Reid, PT
Steven Crandall, DPT
Bob Hayden, PTA

Committee Members Excused:

Anne Jones, public member

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

September 15, 2015 Minutes:

Mr. Reid made a motion to approve the September 15, 2015 minutes as written. Mr. Hayden seconded the motion. The vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.

**Susan Higgs
Compliance:**

Ms. Higgs provided the Board with a compliance summary for all probationers scheduled to meet with the Board.

**Daniel Dunn,
Initial Interview:**

Mr. Dunn was interviewed by Dr. Cohee. Mr. Dunn:

- Needs to meet with the compliance specialist after the meeting.
- Is not currently working at a physical therapist.
- Is participating in counseling and support groups.
- Is working with the court system.

**Gina Kimick,
Initial Interview:**

Ms. Kimick was interviewed by Dr. Cohee. Ms. Kimick:

- Is currently in compliance.

- Is working with a therapist.
- Is currently working in a skilled nursing facility.
- Was reminded about CE requirement and deadline for completion.

Dr. Crandall made a motion to change Ms. Kimick's reporting requirements to a quarterly basis. Mr. Reid seconded the motion. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Shawn Hiatt,
Non-compliance Interview:**

Mr. Hiatt was interviewed by Dr. Crandall. Mr. Hiatt:

- Has been on suspension since his relapse in August 2015.
- Has met all the requirements as outlined in the August 2015 Stipulation and Order.

The Bureau Manager will submit an amended order to have the suspension on Mr. Hiatt's license lifted.

**Steven Orrick,
Probation Interview:**

Mr. Orrick was interviewed by Mr. Reid. Mr. Orrick:

- Is in compliance.
- Requested early termination of his probation.

Mr. Reid made a motion to recommend early termination of Mr. Orrick's probation due to his record of compliance. Dr. Crandall seconded the motion. The vote in favor was unanimous.

**Jared Stohel,
Probation Interview:**

Mr. Stohel was interviewed by Mr. Hayden. Mr. Stohel:

- Is in compliance with his Stipulation and Order.
- Requested that he be allowed to work in a home health setting.

Dr. Crandall made a motion to allow Mr. Stohel to work in home health settings, noting that monthly employer reports should be submitted if he works in home health. Mr. Hayden seconded the motion. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Environmental Scan:

NPTE retake policy and appeals process

- The FSBPT has implemented a new retake policy. Applicants will be given a lifetime limit of six (6) attempts, or two (2) very low score results (<400).
- Applicants can appeal the policy if:
 - They were completing a second entry-level degree between October 2014 and December 2015;
 - They were not actively taking the exam after January 2011; or
 - State law requires additional attempts.
 - In addition, appeals to a Board can only

occur if the applicant has previously applied for licensure in the state where they appeal.

Two individuals have contacted DOPL in order to appeal the testing limit, neither one was qualified to appeal.

FSBPT Annual Meeting

- Dr. Cohee reported that she attended the 2015 meeting and that it was informative with presentations regarding compact licensure, telemedicine, and clinic safety.
- The 2016 Annual Meeting will be November 3-5, 2016 in Columbus, OH. The Board recommended that Mr. Reid and Dr. Crandall represent the Board at the 2016 meeting if their schedules allow.

Discussion of Rules:

Continuing Education (R156-24b-303b)

The Board noted that the industry standard for ethics/law continuing education courses tends to be two, rather than three hours in length. The Board determined that two hours of ethics/law continuing education each renewal cycle would be sufficient.

Dr. Crandall made a motion to decrease the required minimum number of continuing education hours from three to two. Dr. Cohee seconded the motion. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Trigger Point Dry Needling (R156-24b-505)

The Board discussed the regulations surrounding dry needling registration. The Board determined that the requirements of the FSBPT or APTA, or one of its sections or local chapters, would adequately address the need to ensure general supervision of a physical therapist completing his/her 250 supervised patient treatments.

Dr. Cohee made a motion to delete subsections R156-24b-505(2) and (3) as they are redundant and not necessary. Mr. Reid seconded the motion. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Scope of Practice Statement:

The Board reviewed a Scope of Practice Statement for physical therapy modeled after a nursing scope of practice statement posted on the DOPL website.

With a correction to change physical “therapy” assistant to physical “therapist” assistant, Dr. Crandall made a

motion to accept the statement and post it on the DOPL website. Mr. Reid seconded the motion. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Next meeting: March 15, 2016.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

3/15/16
Date Approved

Kim Cohee
Kim Cohee, Chair
Physical Therapy Licensing Board

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Suzette Farmer
Suzette Farmer, Bureau Manager,
Division of Occupational & Professional Licensing