

# MINUTES

## UTAH BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY MEETING

November 5, 2019  
Heber M. Wells Bldg.  
Room 402, Fourth Floor – 9:00 a.m.  
Salt Lake City, UT 84114

**CONVENED: 9:00 A.M.**

**ADJOURNED: 9:30 A.M.**

### **DOPL STAFF PRESENT:**

Bureau Manager: Jeff Busjahn  
Board Secretary: Thomas Togisala

### **CONDUCTING:**

Loriann Helgeson, OTD OTR/L

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Loriann Helgeson, OTD OTR/L  
Van A. Neilson, Public Member  
JaNeal Madruga, COTA  
Lyndsay Fait, MOT, OTR/L

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS EXCUSED:**

JoAnne Wright, Ph.D., ORT/L

### **GUESTS:**

Amber Smedley

## **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:**

### **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Ms. Helgeson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

### **REVIEW AND APPROVE THE MAY 7, 2019 MINUTES**

Ms. Fait motioned to approve the minutes.

Mr. Neilson seconded the motion.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

### **TRAINING: ANNUAL OPEN AND PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

The Board completed their training prior to today's meeting.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

### **ENVIRONMENTAL SCAN**

AOTA: The American Occupational Therapy Association anticipates the launch their Compact licensing system in 2024.

Ms. Fait shared information that there is a new payment reimbursement system through Medicare. This process mostly affects occupational therapists in a skilled nursing facility. This will ensure quality services for patients.

### **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

N/A

### **HB 226, HB 90, AND CRIMINAL HISTORY MATRIX DISCUSSION**

- HB 226: Occupational Licensing Revisions

This bill:

- Defines terms, including "competency-based licensing requirement";
- Allows the director of DOPL to implement competency-based licensing requirements under certain circumstances; and
- Makes technical changes.

- HB 90: Occupational Licensing Modifications

This bill:

- Provides for an individual with a criminal conviction to apply to the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing for a determination of whether the individual's criminal history would disqualify the individual from receiving a specific occupational or professional license if all other requirements were met;
  - Describes the contents of such an application;
  - Describes DOPL's responsibilities in responding to such an application; and
  - Modifies the definition of "unprofessional conduct".

- Criminal History Matrix Discussion

The Board reviewed the criminal history matrix and provided feedback and input to create a template specific to the occupational therapy profession.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:            MAY 5, 2020**

**ADJOURN: 9:30 A.M.**

**Meeting adjourned at 9:30 A.M.**

**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.**

May 5, 2020

Loriann Helgeson OTD, OTR/L, CLA

**Date Approved**

**Loriann Helgeson - Chairperson,  
Occupational Therapy**

May 5, 2020

Jeff Busjahn

**Date Approved**

**Jeff Busjahn - Bureau Manager, DOPL**