



Physical Therapy Governing Board

February 20, 2024 at 8:30 AM

7 Eagle Square, Concord, NH 03301

Attendance

Members Present:

Jennifer Carrier, Chair (JC); Nicole Lavoie (NL); Robert Worden (RW)

Staff Present:

Jeanne Webber, Board Administrator

I. Call To Order

Meeting was called to order at 8:29 a.m. with a quorum of the Board present.

II. Approval of Public Minutes

A. January 16, 2024

Motion:

Upon a motion by JC, with a second by RW, the Board voted to approve the minutes as amended; motion passed.

III. Public Appearances

Heather Kelley, Director of Operations – Heather Kelley provided information on the contracting of CE Broker to assist licensees and OPLC in monitoring continuing education required for renewals.

IV. OPLC and/or Board Administration Updates - Informational

A. FSBPT updates

1. FSBPT January Newsbrief

2. FSBPT 2024 Regulatory Hours

B. Board Travel

All Board Members need approval when traveling in Board capacity before booking any travel. The honorarium form will need to be completed after travel.

V. Old Business

VI. New Business

A. Phy 402.08 Audit discussion – The Board reviewed the audit process with licensing staff.

VII. Applications

- A. Fast Track – Informational. The following fast track applications have been approved since the last PTGB meeting held on January 16, 2024:

KARA	SMITH	INITIAL, PT	1/10/2024
KATELYN	AUSTIN	INITIAL, PT	1/10/2024
CELIA	VINCENT	INITIAL, PT	1/10/2024
JOSHUA	DOW	REINSTATEMENT, PT	1/12/2024
TREVOR	DANTON	INITIAL, PT	1/17/2024
NICHOLAS	ELWELL	REINSTATEMENT, PT	1/19/2024
MARINA	RUBIN	INITIAL, PT	1/31/2024
NATALIE	VASSALLO	INITIAL, PT	1/31/2024
CAROLYN	SMITH	INITIAL, PT	1/31/2024
EMILY	MORENZ	INITIAL, PT	1/31/2024
ANDREW	GARBINO	INITIAL, PT	1/31/2024
NICOLAS	COLACITTI	INITIAL, PT	1/31/2024
MELISSA	KANEN	INITIAL, PT	2/5/2024
JENNIFER	FOURNIER	INITIAL, PTA	2/5/2024
LIAM	HASKINS	INITIAL, PT	2/5/2024
JENNIFER	CHOATE	INITIAL, PT	2/6/2024
COURTNEY	AMELL	INITIAL, PT	2/6/2024
ISABELLA	ADDISON	INITIAL, PT	2/8/2024
MOLLI	HIGGINS	INITIAL, PTA	2/9/2024
DIANA	SUBRON	INITIAL, PT	2/13/2024

VIII. Rules Review and Other Legislative Topics

A. Rules

1. "25 Day" Rulemaking request – The Board submitted a rule change notification regarding the “25 day” referral related to 2023 legislation HB 188. Legislation passed, the Rulechange notification will be withdrawn.
2. Plc 500 - Professionals' Health Program

Motion:

Upon a motion by JC, with a second by RW, the Board voted to participate in NPHP; motion passed.

B. Legislative Update

1. LSR Update – Tabled to the March 19, 2024 meeting

HB 1112 - relative to establishing a continuing education requirement regarding human trafficking for individuals licensed by the office of professional licensure and certification - Opposed.

HB 1272 - relative to occupational license reciprocity.

HB 1676 - establishing a sunset commission to evaluate various occupational boards and commissions, and sunseting various boards and commissions.

HB 1408 - relative to the merger of and reorganization of various occupational boards.

HB 1095 - relative to the official pronunciation of "New Hampshire" and "Concord." The Board requested guidance as far as veterinarian certifications in relation to HB 1095.

2. HB 1112 testimony - Informational

IX. Non-Public Session

At 9:46 a.m., upon a motion by JC, with a second by NL, the Board voted to conduct a Non-Public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business. Such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c), RSA 91-A:3 II (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

[Minutes kept separately].

X. Resume Public Session

Motion:

At 10:20 a.m., upon a motion by JC, with a second by NL, the Board voted to resume public session.

XI. Seal the Minutes of the Non-Public Session

Upon a motion by JC, with a second by NL, the Board voted to seal the minutes of the non-public session to maintain the privacy of the items discussed in non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c), on the grounds that public disclosure may adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a Board member or render the proposed action ineffective.

XII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.