Arkansas State Board of Athletic Training

Board Meeting Minutes April 23, 2024

Attendees

Board Members: Ron Carroll, Terry DeWitt, Tim Atkinson, and Sherry Riggins

Attorney General's Office: Julie Chavis

ADH: Matt Gilmore

Others Present: Becky Crenshaw

Board Staff: Russell Burns

A. Call To Order

Ron Carroll (Chairman) called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. CST, and Russell Burns (Director) announced the roll call of attendees.

B. Minutes

The minutes of the March 11, 2024 board meeting were unanimously approved.

Motion to approve: Tim Atkinson

2nd: Terry DeWitt

Vote: 4 - 0

C. Financial Report

Russell Burns presented the report from March 2024 to the board. The March 2024 Cash/Investments Ending Balance of \$256,229.96 was noted. The report was unanimously approved.

Motion to approve: Tim Atkinson

2nd: Tim Atkinson

Vote: 4-0

D. Licensure Report

Russell Burns presented the Licensure Report as follows. A motion was made and unanimously approved to accept the report.

Motion to approve: Sherry Riggins

2nd: Tim Atkinson

Vote: 4-0

E. Fluid Administration by Athletic Trainers

A discussion was held concerning Arkansas athletic trainers administering fluids. Ron Carroll noted that the University of Arkansas and Arkansas State were beginning to include IV Therapy in the curriculum for their Athletic Training degrees. Julie Chavis noted that the current practice act did not specifically address IV Therapy. Sherry Riggins had to leave the meeting at the 1 hour 13 minute point of the meeting. A motion was made and unanimously approved to have Julie Chavis (AG Office) draft documentation concerning requirements for advanced skills by athletic trainers in Arkansas that will be proofed by Ron Carroll (Board Chair) and sent by the board office to board members for their review.

Motion to approve: Tim Atkinson

2nd: Terry DeWitt

Vote: 3-0

F. CARE Conference 2024

Ron Carroll informed the board that the BOC had changed venues for the conference to be held this year at the BOC headquarters, and this was the reason for limiting board member attendance to one (1) person from each state.

G. Additional Business

- **a.** Ron mentioned that the next scheduled board meeting was to occur on September 9, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. CST.
- b. Russell Burns (Director) explained that due to the board expressing a desire in past discussions to raise the reimbursement for the Arkansas Athletic Trainers' Association annual conference cost, he had determined \$2,000 in the current budget that could be added to the reimbursement for the new fiscal year 2025. A motion was made and unanimously approved to add \$2,000 to the reimbursement for a total annual amount of \$12,000 for fiscal year 2025.

Motion: Tim Atkinson 2nd: Terry DeWitt

Vote: 3-0

H. Adjournment

Ron Carroll adjourned the meeting at 2:35 pm CST.