

Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy Board Minutes

Thursday, November 14, 2024

Zoom

Board Members Present: Rob Jordan, Velvet Medlock, Don Pierce, Bo Renshaw, Joe Farrer

Representative from Attorney General's Office: Michael Bynum

Staff Present: Nancy Worthen

Others Present:

CALL TO ORDER

Rob Jordan, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m.

MINUTES

The motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the September 12, 2024 minutes.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Licensure Information

Individuals licensed since the last meeting:

PTs by exam: 15

PTs by reciprocity: 13

PTs temporary: 0

PTAs by exam: 14

PTAs by reciprocity: 5

PTAs temporary: 0

Total PTs: 2779

Total PTAs: 1817

Total Permanent Licensees: 4596

Total Temporaries: 1

FINANCIAL REPORT

As of the treasury account balance was reported as \$1,399,560.98

Total Assets - \$1,399,560.98

The motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the financial report as presented.

Revenue Reconciliation

The Board reviewed the revenue reconciliations for September and October, 2024. The motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the revenue reconciliation as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

NeuroBody Wellness Investigation

The Board discussed the latest information from the investigator and determined the case will

be closed. The motion was made, seconded and passed to close the complaint.

Justin Waldorf Complaint

The Board discussed the latest information from Mr. Rogers and determined no further action will be taken. The motion was made, seconded and passed to take no further action.

Rachel Schaefer Complaint

The Board discussed the complaint and determined the case will be closed. The motion was made, seconded and passed to close the complaint.

Justin Ternes Complaint

A complaint was received against Justin Ternes. The motion was made, seconded and passed to ask Mr. Ternes to remove any information advertising mental health and psychological disorders.

Renee Crater Complaint

A complaint was received against Renee Crater. The Board reviewed the complaint and response and determined there is no violation of the PT Practice Act. The motion was made, seconded and passed to close the complaint.

James David Lemons Lawsuit Disclosure

Mr. Lemons' attorney disclosed a lawsuit against Mr. Lemons. The Board reviewed the disclosure and determined no action will be taken. The motion was made, seconded and passed to take no further action.

Christy Phillips Email

An email was received from Cristy Phillips with pictures of a patient's foot. There was no specific complaint about a violation of the PT Practice Act. An email with a complaint form will be sent to Ms. Phillips.

J.J. Hulsey Inquiry

The Board reviewed an email from J.J. Hulsey. The Board determined that answering the questions would equate to rendering a legal opinion or giving legal advice, which the Board cannot do. Questions related to the interpretation or application of the Practice Act or Rules should be referred to private legal counsel. An email will be sent to Mr. Hulsey.

Nicholas Virden Inquiry

The Board reviewed a continuing education submission from Nicholas Virden. The Board determined the continuing education is about education and not practicing as a PT/PTA. The motion was made, seconded and passed to deny the course as continuing education.

Cory Kyle Inquiry

The Board reviewed a continuing education submission from Cory Kyle. The motion was made, seconded and passed to deny the request for continuing education for this course.

Continuing Education Penalty/Disciplinary Action

The Board discussed the continuing education requirement and action that might be taken if a PT/PTA does not meet requirements. A \$50 per month penalty will be required if a licensee

does not meet requirements by December 31st. The Board does have the option of sending a letter of concern. Discipline will be taken if a PT/PTA attests to meeting requirements and does not meet requirements.

Workforce Data

The Board discuss workforce data and questions they would like to add to the renewal.

Complaint Process

The Board discussed the complaint process and determined the name will be redacted and a number will be assigned.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Worthen
Executive Director