

Board of Registration of Allied Health Professionals
1000 Washington Street, Boston MA 02118
PUBLIC MINUTES

Date: March 24, 2016

Location: 1G

Time: 9:00am

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

James "Zack" Zachazewski, AT, Chair
Annette Iglarsh, PT
Nancy Lowenstein, OT
Lisa M. Ayles, AT
Jay Bernasconi, PT, Secretary
Jamie L. Musler, AT, Vice-Chair
Chrys Peralta, OTR/L
Thomas Darisse, OTA

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Peter Kelley, Board Counsel
Sonia Jordan, Board Administrator
Anne Driscoll, Board Investigator
Colleen Cavanaugh, Assoc. Exec Dir

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Julie Cahill-O'Shea, Public Member
Stacy Potvin, PTA

STAFF MEMBERS NOT PESENT

Ana Garcia, Executive Director

9:02 AM - Housekeeping

- Meeting Called to order
- Facility Briefing (fire drill instructions) + Location of Exits and Restrooms

9:04 AM - Board Business

Approve Public Minutes for December

ACTION: Motion to accept by L.Ayles; Seconded by J.Musler; C.Peralta abstained; All in favor

Approve January 2016 and October 2015 minutes

ACTION: Tabled to next meeting.

Approve Public and Executive Minutes for February 2016

ACTION: T. Darisse moved to accept public minutes as amended. Seconded by A. Iglarsh. All in favor.

ACTION: J. Bernasconi moved to accept Executive minutes as amended. Seconded by N.Lowenstein, All in favor.

9:22 AM- Report from Board Counsel, Peter Kelley

New Board Regulations not approved as of yet by Admin. & Finance. If approved, Board Counsel will then schedule public hearing. Tentative date would be in May/June 2016.

9:35 AM Enforcement issues with referrer-owned PT practices, and G. L. c. 112, § 23P½ and corresponding regulations

ACTION: tabled until next month meeting

9:37 AM - Investigative Unit Update

Update from Chief Investigator-Christopher Carroll

ACTION: Tabled

9:38 AM – L. Ayles motioned to go into Executive Session pursuant to G.L. 30A, §21(a)(7) to comply with the public record law, G. L. c. 66, § 10, G. L. c. 4, § 7, ¶ 26(a), and the student record law, G. L. c. 71, §§ 34D, 34E, for the purpose of reviewing applications. Seconded by A. Iglarsh; following a roll call vote; all in favor; the motion passed.

10:09 AM: At the end of the Executive Session; the open meeting resumed.

10:10 am Motion to go into closed session pursuant to G.L. c. 112, §65; Moved by N. Lowenstein; Seconded by S. Potvin. All in favor.

10:45 AM: Motion to exit closed session and into open session by J.Bernasconi, seconded by N.Lowenstein. All in favor.

During the closed session, the Board voted to take the following actions:

- AH-16-020 – Dismissed
- DPPC Report - Send Advisory letter
- SA-AH-16-004 -- Investigator complete inspection

11:00 AM - Compliance Monitoring: Associate Executive Director, Colleen Cavanaugh

TOPIC: AH-14-032-PT (RW) Monitor Approval

DISCUSSION: 2 resumes presented by Colleen Cavanaugh to act as monitor for RW.

ACTION: Motion to accept Steven Lisowe by unanimous consent to act as Monitor.

TOPIC: AH-14-023-PT (CWM) Terminate Monitoring

DISCUSSION: petition to terminate monitoring requirements of probation. Board counsel raises issue of consent agreement requiring Licensee to submit repeat action plans/self-assessments of corrective actions; only 1 of which has been received.

ACTION: Motion to delay taking CWM off formal monitoring x 1 quarter in order for monitor to work w licensee in regards to action plan integration to her practice. Move: A.Iglarsh ; Seconded by C.Peralta; all in favor

11:14 AM - Correspondence:

Email from Judith West dated 2/4/16 regarding the use of dexamethasone for iontophoresis

The Board will reply to the author that Iontophoresis using transcutaneous Dexamethasone is under the scope of PT practice given that the medication is prescribed and/or acknowledged to be used on the patient by a licensed physician.

Email from Phil Mastro dated 3/10/16 regarding Dry Needling for Athletic Trainers

The Board tables this request to seek advisement and perform research on this matter.

Email from Marguerite Ahmann dated 3/1/16 regarding PT scope of Practice Inquiry

The Board tables this request to seek clarification.

Email from Soumya Movva dated 2/19/16 regarding private pay in a skilled nursing facility

The Board will advise the author to disclose to the client and family that the services may not yield further functional gains.

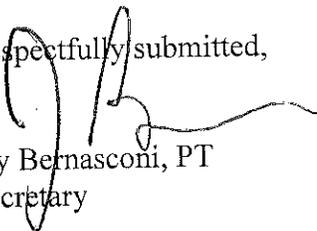
New Business:

Open Session for Topics not reasonably anticipated by the Chair 48 hours in advance of meeting.

ACTION: no new business presented.

11:40 AM - Motion to adjourn by N.Lowenstein, seconded by J.Bernasconi, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,


Jay Bernasconi, PT
Secretary