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Board of Allied Health Professions
Public Meeting Minutes
December 18, 2025

Board Members Present:

Jamie Musler, Chair, AT
Deborah Slater, Vice Chair, OT
Andrew Rizza, Secretary, AT
Stacy Potvin, PTA
Luke Brisbin, PT (left the meeting at 11:18 a.m.)
Jane Baldwin, PT (left the meeting at 10:59 a.m.)
Miriam Segura-Harrison, MD
Melanie Glynn, OTA
Reena Patel, AT
Diane Smith, OT (left the meeting at 10:10 a.m.)
David Young

Staff Members Present:

Brian Bialas, Executive Director
Michael Egan, Board Counsel
Sheila York, Board Counsel
Lauren McShane, Investigative Supervisor
Ellen D'Agostino, Investigator

All board members and staff appeared by videoconference.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

Board Business

- **Roll Call Vote for Attendance:** Mr. Bialas called the roll of board members: Jamie Musler, Deborah Slater, Andrew Rizza, Stacy Potvin, Luke Brisbin, Jane Baldwin, Miriam Segura-Harrison, Melanie Glynn, Reena Patel, Diane Smith, and David Young all present by videoconference.

- **Public Meeting Minutes of September 25, 2025:** After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Potvin, seconded by Ms. Glynn, to approve the Public Meeting Minutes of September 25, 2025. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.
- **Executive Session Minutes of September 25, 2025:** After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Slater, seconded by Ms. Smith, to approve the Executive Session Minutes of September 25, 2025. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.
- **Update on Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy Annual Meeting – Jane Baldwin and Luke Brisbin:** Ms. Baldwin and Mr. Brisbin discussed their attendance and the meeting. They discussed several issues covered at the meeting, including FSBPT's role supporting boards, the Health Care Regulatory Research Institute, the use of artificial intelligence, and consent challenges.

Correspondence

- **9.17.25 Email from M. Penque re: Occupational Therapists and Wound Dressing:** The Board reviewed an email from Matthew Penque asking whether occupational therapists may change wound dressings and monitor wounds. After a brief discussion, the Board directed Mr. Bialas to inform Mr. Penque that occupational therapists may perform wound “monitoring” under the direction of a physician and with demonstrated competency and training to do so.

Discussion

- **Approval of Continuing Competence**
 - **NDS Neurodynamic Solutions: Upper and Lower 1:** The Board reviewed a request from Brianna Sobuta to review a course for approval for continuing competence points. After a brief discussion, the Board directed Mr. Bialas to inform Ms. Sobuta that the Board will review the course if she is audited and that otherwise she should refer to the regulations for what is acceptable for continuing competence points.

Comments from Professional Associations

Mary Kate Miller from American Physical Therapy Association – Massachusetts discussed continuing competence issues and the posting of the Board’s scope of practice decisions.

Executive Session (closed under G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(7) to comply with G.L. c. 4, § 7, ¶ 26(c) and G.L. c. 214, § 1B – adhering to the public records law and to preserve the confidentiality of medical record information, to discuss and evaluate the physical condition or mental health of a licensee as it relates to a licensee’s monitoring report)

At 9:47 a.m., a motion was made by Mr. Young, seconded by Ms. Glynn, to exit the public meeting and (1) enter into a closed executive session under G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(7) to comply

with G.L. c. 4, § 7, ¶ 26(c) and G.L. c. 214, § 1B to discuss and evaluate the physical condition or mental health of a licensee as it relates to a licensee's monitoring report; then (2) enter into investigative conference under G.L. c. 112, § 65C to review a report from the Automobile Insurers Bureau and cases; and then, after the conclusion of investigative conference, (3) not return to the public meeting and adjourn. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

The Board entered executive session at 9:47 a.m.

Board maintains separate minutes of executive session.

Investigative Conference (closed session under G.L. c. 112, § 65C)

The Board entered investigative conference at 9:56 a.m.

Ms. Smith left the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

During the investigative conference, the Board took the following actions:

Case Update

2022-000850-IT-ENF (JR):	Refer to the Office of Prosecutions
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Automobile Insurers Bureau of Massachusetts Detail Claim Database Provider Billing Reports for 2024:	Read and reviewed.
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Cases

FAHP-2025-0008 (CM):	Refer to the Office of Investigations
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AHP-2025-0007 (AH):	Refer to the Office of Investigations
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FAHP-2025-0001 (Lowell Physical Therapy):	Dismiss
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FAHP-2025-0002 (JM):	Dismiss
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Ms. Baldwin left the meeting at 10:59 a.m.

FAHP-2024-0004 (Neighborhood Physical Therapy):	Invite respondent's Physical Therapy Compliance Officer to a meeting for an interview
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Continuing Competence Audits:	Board gave instructions to staff
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Mr. Brisbin recused himself from the following matter and left the meeting at 11:18 a.m.

FAHP-2024-0005 (GU):

Dismiss

Adjournment

At 11:21 a.m., a motion was made by Ms. Potvin, seconded by Ms. Glynn, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

The meeting adjourned at 11:21 a.m.

Approval

The above minutes were approved at the public meeting held on January 22, 2026.



Brian Bialas, Executive Director

List of Documents Used by the Board at the Public Meeting:

- Agenda for Meeting of December 18, 2025
- Public Meeting Minutes of September 25, 2025
- Executive Session Minutes of September 25, 2025
- 9.17.25 Email from M. Penque re: Occupational Therapists and Wound Dressing
- 10.10.25 Email from B. Sobuta re: NDS Neurodynamic Solutions: Upper and Lower 1 and supporting documentation