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**Board of Allied Health Professions Public Meeting Minutes**July 24, 2025

## **Board Members Present:**

Jamie Musler, Chair, AT
Stacy Potvin, Secretary, PTA
Luke Brisbin, PT (left the meeting at 10:22 a.m.)
Jane Baldwin, PT
Miriam Segura-Harrison, MD
Melanie Glynn, OTA
Reena Patel, AT
David Young (arrived at 9:31 a.m.)
Andrew Rizza, AT

#### **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.

<u>Call to Order</u>: The meeting was called to order at 9:16 a.m.

# **Board Business**

- Roll Call Vote for Attendance: Mr. Bialas called the roll of board members: Jamie Musler, Stacy Potvin, Luke Brisbin, Jane Baldwin, Miriam Segura-Harrison, Melanie Glynn, Reena Patel, David Young, and Andrew Rizza all present by videoconference.
- **Public Meeting Minutes of June 26, 2025:** After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Potvin, seconded by Ms. Glynn, to approve the Public Meeting Minutes of June 26, 2025. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

• Executive Session Minutes of June 26, 2025: After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Glynn, seconded by Mr. Rizza, to approve the Executive Session Minutes of June 26, 2025. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Mr. Young arrived at 9:31 a.m.

#### **Discussion**

• 259 CMR 9.00: Investigations, Complaints and Board Actions (Proposed New Section): The Board reviewed a proposed new section of its regulations. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Glynn, seconded by Mr. Rizza, to approve the proposed regulations with changes. By a roll call vote, the motion passed by a majority, with Mr. Musler voting no.

## <u>Application Review – Discipline in Another Jurisdiction</u>

• Victoria Bednarczyk, Applicant for Physical Therapist: The Board reviewed Ms. Bednarczyk's application, including her disclosure of discipline on her license in Quebec. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Potvin, seconded by Ms. Patel, to allow Ms. Bednarczyk to continue with the licensing process. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

#### **Correspondence**

• 6.26.25 Email from E. Holmes re: Cupping and Blood Flow Restriction in Physical Therapy: The Board reviewed the email asking whether physical therapists may practice cupping and blood-flow restriction. After a brief discussion, the Board directed Mr. Bialas to answer that a physical therapist may practice cupping and blood-flow restriction if the physical therapist has appropriate training and experience.

#### **Monitoring**

• Vadim Kravets, 2022-000350-IT-ENF, Approval of Proposed Continuing Competence: The Board reviewed Mr. Kravets's submission of continuing competence. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Baldwin, seconded by Ms. Potvin, to accept the continuing competence. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

# **Quasi-Judicial Session** (closed under G.L. c. 30A, § 18)

At 10:22 a.m., a motion was made by Mr. Rizza, seconded by Mr. Young, to exit the public session and enter into quasi-judicial session under G.L. c. 30A, § 18 to review a final decision and order. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

The Board entered quasi-judicial session at 10:22 a.m.

Mr. Brisbin left the meeting at 10:22 a.m.

During quasi-judicial session, the Board took the following action:

2022-000106-IT-ENF (Greylock Physical Therapy):

Adopted final decision and order and determined sanction

# <u>Investigative Conference</u> (closed session under G.L. c. 112, § 65C)

At 11:00 a.m., a motion was made by Ms. Potvin, seconded by Dr. Segura-Harrison, to enter into investigative conference under G.L. c. 112, § 65C to review new cases. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

The Board entered investigative conference at 11:00 a.m.

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

#### Cases

AHP-2024-0043 (MR):

Refer to the Office of

Prosecutions

INV10893 (CC):

Dismiss with advisory

letter

# **Adjournment**

At 11:33 a.m., a motion was made by Mr. Young, seconded by Ms. Baldwin, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

The meeting adjourned at 11:33 a.m.

#### **Approval**

The above minutes were approved at the public meeting held on September 25, 2025.

Brian Bialas, Executive Director

Brian P. Biela

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

- Agenda for Meeting of July 24, 2025
- Public Meeting Minutes of June 26, 2025
- Executive Session Minutes of June 26, 2025
- Draft 259 CMR 9.00: Investigations, Complaints and Board Actions

- PT Application of Victoria Bednarczyk
- 6.26.25 Email from E. Holmes re: Cupping and Blood Flow Restriction in Physical Therapy
- Vadim Kravets, 2022-000350-IT-ENF, Submission of Proposed Continuing Competence