

**Board of Registration in Allied Health Professionals  
1000 Washington Street, MA 02118**

**Public Minutes**

**Date:** December 21, 2017

**Location:** Room 1G

**Time:** 9:00 AM

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jay Bernasconi, PT, Chair  
Lisa Ayles, Vice Chair  
James Zachazewski, AT, Secretary  
Randy Jean, PT  
Tom Darisse, OTA  
Stacey Potvin, PTA  
Jamie Musler, AT  
Susan Higgins, OT

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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

**Housekeeping**

- Meeting Called to order – 9:07am
- Facility Briefing (fire drill instructions) + Location of Exits and Restroom
- Introduction of New Board Members
  - Nancy Lowenstein and Chris Peralta have been replaced
  - Susan Higgins is a new member representing OT

**Board Business**

Approve Public Minutes for October

Motion	Approve Board Minutes		
Maker	Lisa Ayles	Second	Jamie Musler

Action	Approve Minutes with editorial/spelling corrections
Vote	Yea: Unanimous

**Report on FSPBT Conference, Jay Bernasconi**

- Jay attended on behalf of Board
- Regulatory vs. legislative issues information brought back by Jay
- Recommend Randy, Susan and Stephanie attend FSBPT meeting for new members in Spring
- Large issue across country is CEU/CCE. MA not alone in working on this.
- Many boards across the country are subject to sunset provisions.
- Telehealth and pharmaceuticals are leading issues/questions regarding PT.
- Jurisprudence as part of competency issues are being discussed in many states.
- Consistency with discipline guidelines. FSBPT trying to put out a matrix to help with consistency.

### **Report from Board Counsel, Peter Kelley**

- No change in status with proposed Continuing Competency regulations.
- Propose to discuss cases for 1-2 months while new board members become familiar with process. Sub-committee to resume after they are comfortable with this process of investigatory case review.

### **Report from Associate Executive Director, Colleen Cavanaugh**

- AH- Michael Reinold
  - Letter from BOC reinstating certification. Re-certified and on probation once/if he starts practicing as a AT again.
  - Board requests that he attend the January meeting to hear board concerns and discussion about this matter and meeting Board's requirements should he start to practice as an AT again in the Commonwealth
- AH-10-056 Christine Fall – Probation
  - First monitor report and letter from licensee submitted to board review.
  - Board accepts report. However, board to communicate need for CF to submit a more detailed action plan for board review prior to coming off probation.
  - Unanimous consent to accept report
- AH-12-029 Munaf Shaikh
  - Tabled

**9:30am - Motion to exit open session and enter closed session for investigatory conferences pursuant to G.L. c. 112, § 65C and an adjudicatory conference pursuant to G.L. c. 30A § 18, ¶5(d) made by Jay Bernasconi, second by Stacy Potvin – Approved Unanimously**

**10:32am – Motion to exit closed session and enter open session made by Jay Bernasconi, second by Lisa Ayles – Approved Unanimously**

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

- 2017-001199-IT ENF - dismiss
- 2017-001208-IT-ENF - dismiss
- 2017-001339-IT-ENF - invite licensee into next board meeting
- NPDB Report (JK) - read and file

**New Business:**

- Open Session for Topics not reasonably anticipated by the Chair 48 hours in advance of meeting
  - Recognition of Chrys Peralta and Nancy Lowenstein
    - Job well done. Board recognizes Nancy's and Chrys's great dedication and performance over the years.
    - Propose lunch for 2/22/17. Location to be announced. Bad weather date is 3/22/17
  - Sub Committee 6.0
    - Need New OT member on sub-committee – Susan Higgins. agreed to become member representing OT
    - Proposed meeting is 1/25/17 from 1-3PM or after regular meeting.

**10:45am Motion to adjourn: made by Jay Bernasconi, second by Stacy Potvin – Approved Unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ana Garcia". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ana Garcia  
Executive Director