

AR State Board of Physical Therapy
MINUTES
February 3, 2004

Tuesday, February 3, 2004

9 Shackelford Plaza, Suite 3, Little Rock, AR

Physical Therapy Board Members Attending: Seth Coulter; Jennie Gregory, Rob Hill, Jennifer Parks and Todd Burton

Representative from Attorney General's Office: Warren Readnour

Staff Attending: Alice Ryan and Nancy Worthen.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Seth Coulter called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

MINUTES

The minutes of the January 6, 2004 regular meeting were approved as amended.

FINANCIAL REPORT

• Financials

As of 02/02/04 the regular checking account balance with Metropolitan Bank was reported as \$43,65934.

As of 02/02/04 Bank of the Ozarks certificate of deposit has a balance of \$30,690.91.

As of 02/02/04 Money Market Funds total \$211,880.00.

Total Assets - \$286,230.25

The financial report was approved as presented.

ADMINISTRATIVE

• Licensure Information

Individuals licensed since the 01-06-04 meeting:

Total 7 PT's - By exam: 3 By reciprocity: 0

Total 6 PTA's - By exam: 2 By reciprocity: 0

Total PTs - 1416

Total PTAs – 668

INQUIRIES & COMPLAINTS

- **Evans Chiropractic Clinic**

A letter was received from Frank Reaper, PT with a copy of an Evans Chiropractic Clinic advertisement stating he has advanced training in physiotherapy. A letter will be sent to Mr. Reaper asking if he has more evidence that Mr. Evans is holding himself out as a physical therapist. A copy of the complaint, advertisement and response from the Board will be copied to the ArPTA.

- **Andy Waldhelm, PT**

Mr. Waldhelm applied for renewal of his license and answered yes to one of the questions on the renewal form and attached information explaining misdemeanors in 1998 and 1999. The Board gave approval for Mr. Waldhelm to renew his license.

- **Continuing Education – Women’s Health Update**

A letter was received from Lisa Felts, PT and Christy Hollingshead, PT asking the Board to reconsider the pre-approved 4.75 hours and consider giving them 6.0 contact hours for Women’s Health Update. The Board denied the request. A letter will be written to Lisa Felts and Christy Hollingshead stating they will receive credit for the 4.75 hours approved for the course.

- **CEU Request – Vision and Hearing Screening**

Becky Meeks, PT was requested by her school to take a course, Vision and Hearing Screening. Ms. Meeks asked Seth if this could be considered toward her continuing education requirements. A letter will be sent to Ms. Meeks asking her to submit the course with certificate of completion, course brochure and other material showing a detailed schedule of course and specific objectives. The Board will review the course information after received.

- **CEU Credit for Presentations**

The board discussed the number of credits a PT should receive for presenting a course. The motion was made, seconded and passed to allow up to half of the biennium CEU requirement.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Amicus Brief – Mike Teston, PT**

The Board will pursue outside counsel to file an Amicus Brief for the Board on behalf of Michael Teston, PT. Seth will review information from attorneys and make the decision on which attorney to hire. Alice will check into adjusting the budget for this expense.

- **Jurisprudence Exam Letter**

Jennifer Parks drafted a letter concerning the Jurisprudence Exam. The Board approved the letter and it will be mailed to Arkansas schools.

- **Foreign-educated Applicants**

Alice researched education requirements on foreign-educated applicants with other states and also spoke with the credentialing agencies used by the Board. The Board will read through the information and discuss it at the next meeting.

- **BCBS/Chiropractic Board**

The Board discussed options concerning the Chiropractic Board. Research will be done with

FSBPT, APTA and ArPTA. A letter had been mailed to BCBS concerning the newsletter article. This letter will be copied to Office of Personnel Management.

NEW BUSINESS

None presented.

- The regular meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.
- An executive session was held after the regular meeting. The session adjourned at 3:00

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Worthen
Assistant Director