

**AR State Board of Physical Therapy
MINUTES
December 1, 2005**

Thursday, December 1, 2005

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: Nancy Worthen and Sarah Chaney

Others Present: Becky Sewell, Rehab Net and Jeff Broderick, World Nurse Solutions

CALL TO ORDER - REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Seth Coulter called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

MINUTES

The minutes of the September 29, 2005 regular meeting were approved as amended.

FINANCIAL REPORT

• Financials

As of November 28, 2005 the regular checking account balance with Metropolitan Bank was reported as \$57,722.27

As of November 28, 2005 Money Market Funds total \$268,036.87

Total Assets - \$325,759.14

The financial report was approved as presented.

ADMINISTRATIVE

• Licensure Information

Individuals licensed since the 09-29-05 meeting:

PTs -

- By exam: 6
- By reciprocity: 10

PTAs -

- By exam: 4
- By reciprocity: 3

Total PTs - 1473

Total PTAs - 725

Total = 2198

INQUIRIES & COMPLAINTS

- **Jeff Broderick, World Nurse Solutions**

Jeff Broderick from World Nurse Solutions discussed foreign educated applicants without social security numbers with the Board. Several letters of appeal were also received from foreign educated applicants. The Motion was made, seconded and passed to allow foreign educated applicants in pending prior to September 29, 2005, to be processed but a license will not be issued without a social security number.

An inquiry will be made to other states to see how many states accept applications without a social security number, how many will allow an applicant to test without a social security and how many will issue a license without a social security number. Jeff Broderick will send information he has on this issue and Warren will talk to other boards within the state.

- **Sheri Allen, PTA Consent Agreement**

The Board reviewed the consent agreement signed by Sheri Allen. The Motion was made seconded and passed to accept the consent agreement.

- **Kristi Rowe Complaint**

The Board determined there is enough evidence to proceed to a hearing on the Kristi Rowe complaint. Nancy and Warren will complete the Notice of Hearing. Notices will be sent to all witnesses.

- **Vina Jaranilla, Foreign Educated Applicant**

Vina Jaranilla's credentialing was received in January, 2004 but her application was not received until March 23, 2005. The FSBPT Coursework Evaluation Tool for Foreign Educated Physical Therapists was adopted by the Board in June, 2004. Since Ms. Jaranilla's application was received March 2005, she should have been evaluated using this tool. However, when her application was received, the credentialing was pulled from the pending file and due to an oversight in the office, the date of January 13, 2004 was overlooked and she was looked at as meeting requirements. The Board determined a new credentialing must be received on Vina Jaranilla for her application to be considered.

- **Heidi Bonifacio, Foreign Educated Applicant**

Heidi Bonifacio's application was reviewed. Seth will contact Ms. Bonifacio concerning her study plan and let the board office know when she is approved.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Any Willing Provider**

A letter was sent to Blue Cross Blue Shield and the AR Insurance Department voicing the Board's concerns regarding the any willing provider provision. A response has not been received. The Board discussed the any willing provider provision. Second letters will be sent to Blue Cross Blue Shield and the AR Insurance Department requesting a response.

- **Chiropractic Board**

The Board received approval from the Attorney General's office to hire outside counsel to pursue conflicts between the PT Board and Chiropractic Board. The motion was made, seconded and passed to hire Marshall Ney as outside counsel.

NEW BUSINESS

A discussion was held concerning students with felonies.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:45.

The next meeting will be scheduled when information is ready for the Kristi Rowe hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Worthen
Executive Director