

**AR State Board of Physical Therapy
MINUTES
April 22, 2004**

Thursday, April 22, 2004

9 Shackelford Plaza, Suite 3, Little Rock, AR

Physical Therapy Board Members Attending: Seth Coulter, Rob Hill, Jennie Gregory, 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 10:05 a.m.

MINUTES

The minutes of the February 3, 2004 regular meeting were approved as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORT

• Financials

As of 04/19/04 the regular checking account balance with Metropolitan Bank was reported as \$69,471.87.

As of 04/19/04 Bank of the Ozarks certificate of deposit has a balance of \$30,690.91.

As of 04/19/04 Money Market Funds total \$252,520.60.

Total Assets - \$352,683.38

The financial report was approved as presented.

ADMINISTRATIVE

• Licensure Information

Individuals licensed since the 02-03-04 meeting:

Total 7 PT's - By exam: 6 By reciprocity: 8

Total 6 PTA's - By exam: 2 By reciprocity: 5

Total PTs - 1379

Total PTAs - 658

• Audit Results

Alice reported the audit has been completed and no problems were found.

• Report on Idumange Idumange, PT

A letter was received from Blandine Williams with Chenal Rehab stating Mr. Idumange has

completed his 1500 hours of supervision as of April 1, 2004.

• **Report on Liz Atkinson, PT**

Ms. Atkinson has not paid her fine and did not renew her license. The Board will not pursue the fine further at this time. Ms. Atkinson will not be able to reinstate her license without paying the fine.

INQUIRIES & COMPLAINTS

• **Wound Debridement Inquiry**

An e-mail was received from Kenya Harbin, an employee of Arkansas Foundation for Medical Care, concerning a detailed description of the type of wound debridement performed by a physical therapist. She will be referred to the definition in the CPT code. It is not within the scope of the board to determine how they should bill for sharp debridement.

• **Hope Physical Therapy**

A complaint was received by Joann Person stating that a Physical Therapist from Hope Physical Therapy bought cigarettes for her grandmother who has chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. A letter will be sent to Dean Butler, PT requesting a response to the complaint. Ethel Person, grandmother of Joann Person, will also be contacted for a response.

OLD BUSINESS

• **Foreign-educated Applicants**

The Board reviewed information concerning foreign-educated applicants including the Coursework Evaluation Tool developed by FSBPT. The Board office will conduct more research to determine the number of hours required by ASU, UCA, CAPTE and the North Carolina Board of Physical Therapy. After the research is complete a meeting will be held to set the criteria for the Board.

• **BCBS/Chiropractic Board**

A response to the previous letter was not received from Blue Cross Blue Shield. A follow up letter will be sent requesting a response. A letter of inquiry will also be sent to the Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

• **Amicus Brief – Mike Teston, PT**

Seth has been in contact with Carla Spainhour concerning the brief for Michael Teston. The brief is nearing completion.

NEW BUSINESS

• **ArPTA/Continuing Education**

Sam Denton had previously asked to address the Board concerning continuing education but chose to postpone the presentation to allow the Association to continue their discussions. Jennie briefed the board on previous continuing education discussions in ArPTA meetings.

• **FSBPT Annual Meeting – September 10-13, 2004**

The motion was made, seconded and passed for Jennifer Parks to go to the meeting as the delegate and Todd Burton to go as the alternate. Jennie and Warren will also attend the meeting

and Rob will check his schedule to see if he will be able to attend.

- **FSBPT Call for Nominations**

Call for Nomination forms received from FSBPT were given to each Board member.

- **FSBPT Jurisprudence Exam**

A letter was received from FSBPT inquiring if the Board is interested in developing a jurisprudence examination with the Federation. After discussion, the Board agreed that Arkansas will develop their own jurisprudence exam. A reply will be sent to FSBPT.

- **Jurisprudence Exam**

The Board reviewed and discussed the jurisprudence exam questions drafted by Jennifer Parks.

- **FSBPT Newsbriefs for Faculty**

Jennifer Parks will draft a letter concerning new school report subscriptions for Alice to take to the Federation.

- **Use of Social Security Numbers**

The Board reviewed a letter received from the State of Colorado concerning use of social security numbers. Per Warren, collection of social security numbers is a requirement of the State of Arkansas.

- **Athletic Trainers**

A discussion was held concerning Athletic Trainers seeking legislative to allow Athletic Trainers on campus to provide athletic training services and receive reimbursement.

- The regular meeting adjourned at 2.45 p.m.

- An executive session was held after the regular meeting. The session adjourned at 3:45

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Worthen
Assistant Director