



Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy,
and Athletic Trainers Board

Athletic Trainers Section
May 7, 2009
9:30 a.m.

Members Present

Rebekah Bower, AT, Secretary
Aaron Galpert, AT
Brian Hartz, AT
Vincent O'Brien, AT, Chairperson
Randall Wroble, MD

Staff

Lisa Ratinaud, Enforcement Division Supervisor
Jeffrey Rosa, Executive Director

Guests

Mark Doughty, OATA

Legal Counsel

Yvonne Tertel, AAG

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Section Chair, Vincent O'Brien, at 9:30 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Action: Brian Hartz moved that the March 4, 2009 meeting minutes be approved as submitted. Randall Wroble seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Administrative Reports

Continuing Education

Vincent O'Brien reported that the Section approved three applications for contact hour approval since the March 4, 2009 Section meeting.

AT Event Approval

Vincent O'Brien reported that the Section approved one event pursuant to rule 4755-43-11 since the March 4, 2009 Section meeting.

Licensure Applications

Action: Rebekah Bower moved that the Athletic Trainers Section ratify, as submitted, the athletic training licenses issued by examination by the Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board from March 4, 2009, through May 7, 2009 taking into account those licenses subject to discipline, surrender, or non-renewal. Brian Hartz seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Examination Applicants

Bissell, Calvin	Curfman, Stephanie	Daugherty, Paul
Denney, Christina	Desalvo, Renee	Escobedo, Adela
Lee, Carly	Neading, Christian	O'Boyle, Erin
Porter, Jason	Ropp, Megan	Scarpelli, Julie
Shockey, Seth	Sutton, Gregory	

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Endorsement Applicants

Buchanan, Scott	Chung, Erica	Farine, Angela
Lepley, Tina	Proscia, Scott	Reed, Jennifer
Yoder, Leah		

Licensure Renewal Report

There were 709 renewal notice notices mailed out to licensees whose license expires on May 15, 2009. As of May 4, 2009, sixty-two percent of licensees renewed.

Assistant Attorney General Report

Yvonne Tertel, AAG, had no formal report for the Section.

Case Review Liaison Report

The Enforcement Division opened two new cases and closed four cases since the March 4, 2009 meeting. There are currently three open cases. There are two disciplinary consent agreements being monitored.

Correspondence

- 1. James Williams:** Mr. Williams asked the Section whether it is in the scope of practice for an athletic trainer to insert an oral airway on a client. **Reply:** It is the position of the Athletic Trainers Section that oral airway insertion does not fall under the scope of practice of athletic training and this procedure is currently not part of the proficiencies required in CAATE accredited athletic training educational programs. Furthermore, the minimum standard for athletic training does not include inserting an oral airway. If Mr. Williams is certified by another credentialing body as an emergency medical responder (i.e. American Red Cross or US/OH Department of Transportation), oral airway insertion would be permitted based on that certification, not based on his athletic trainer license.
- 2. Susan Mehallick:** Ms. Mehallick asked the Section questions regarding whether an athletic trainer could earn continuing education credit for presenting a coaches clinic to other licensed professionals and clarification on whether it is in the scope of practice for an athletic trainer to perform myofascial release. **Reply:** Presenting a coaches clinic does not meet the standard for continuing education established in rule 4755-45-01 of the Administrative Code. Therefore, Ms. Mehallick cannot earn continuing education credit for that presentation. In response to Ms. Mehallick's second question, there is nothing in the Athletic Training Practice Act that would prohibit an Ohio licensed athletic trainer from performing a myofascial release. Under section 4755.64 (A)(7) of the Revised Code and rule 4755-41-01 (C)(2) of the Administrative Code, it is the responsibility of the athletic trainer to determine whether a referral is within the athletic trainer's scope of practice, level of competence, and experience. In the event that an inappropriate referral is received, the athletic trainer should contact the referring practitioner and discuss how to proceed.
- 3. Tiffany Zobel:** Ms. Zobel asked the Section whether an athletic trainer can earn continuing education credit for teaching an introductory athletic training course to high school students. **Reply:** It is the position of the Athletic Trainers Section that teaching an introductory athletic training course to high schools students does not meet the continuing education requirements outlined in rule 4755-45-01 of the Administrative Code.
- 4. Amy Zalenski:** Ms. Zalenski asked the Section whether an athletic trainer can earn continuing education credit for teaching a Pupil Activity Validation course. **Reply:** It is the position of the Athletic Trainers Section that teaching a Pupil Activity Validation course does not meet the continuing education requirements outlined in rule 4755-45-01 of the Administrative Code.

OATA Report

There was no report given.

Old Business

Potential Changes to the Disciplinary Actions Contained in R.C. 4755.64

The Section reviewed and agreed with Aaron Galpert's recommendations for potential changes to section 4755.64. The Section will review other potential changes to the practice act at the Section's strategic planning retreat in August 2009.

OATA Symposium Preparation

The designated Section members will make final edits to the presentation in preparation for the Section's presentation on May 16, 2009 at the Ohio Athletic Trainers Association Symposium in Mason, Ohio.

Standard Response Assignments

The standard response assignments are as follows: Vincent O'Brien (1-4); Rebekah Bower (5-8); Aaron Galpert (9-12); and Brian Hertz (13-16). The Section will review the revised responses at the next Section meeting. Brian Hertz asked the Section to consider drafting a standard response for storing medications in an Athletic Training Clinic.

New Business

Discussion of policy extending application deadline

The Section will continue to work on the policy to extend the application deadline from 60 days to one year in advance of officially amending paragraph (C) of rule 4755-43-01.

AT Retreat Agenda-August 4, 2009at Ohio State University

The Athletic Trainers Section retreat will be held at the Schottenstein Center on the campus of Ohio State University. The retreat will begin at 10:00 am. The retreat topics will include: a brief legal review by the Board's Assistant Attorney General; a review of common investigation violations and ways to educate licensees on how to avoid these violations; identification of potential rules changes; discussion the composition of the Section to determine whether it is still necessary to have a physician member. The Section will also discuss how the profession has changed since licensure was established 1990 and will look at the role of the athletic trainer in the clinical setting.

Frequency Asked Questions

The Section will compose a listing of frequently asked questions to post on the Board website. The Section will review the Physical Therapy Section's frequently asked questions for guidance.

Items for the Next Meeting

- Discussion of policy extending application deadline
- Retreat agenda
- AT frequently asked questions

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date of the Athletic Trainers Section will be Thursday, July 8, 2009.

Adjournment

Aaron Galpert moved that the meeting be adjourned. Rebekah Bower seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:35 am

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Moore

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