



Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy,
and Athletic Trainers Board

Joint Board Meeting

September 25, 2008

10:05 a.m.

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Members

Donna Baker, PT
Raymond Bilecky, PT
Thomas Caldwell, PT, Secretary
Mary Kay Eastman, PT
Rebecca Finni, OT
Robert Frampton, PT
Aaron Galpert, AT
Kimberly Lawler, OT
Rebecca LeBron, OT
Paul G. Miller, AT
Vincent O'Brien, AT, President
Nanette Shoemaker, OTA
Mary Stover, OT
Randall Wroble, MD

Legal Counsel

Yvonne Tertel, AAG

Staff

Lisa Ratinaud, Enforcement Division Supervisor
Diane Moore, Executive Assistant
Jeffrey Rosa, Executive Director
Andrew Snouffer, Investigator

Guests

Rebekah Bower
Sam Coppoletti
Mark Doughty
Marilyn Mount
Kimberly Payne

Members Absent

Jody Benda, AT

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Joint Board President Vincent O'Brien at 10:05 a.m.

Mission Statement

Vincent O'Brien began the meeting by reading the Board Mission Statement:

The mission of the Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board is to actively promote and protect the health of the citizens of Ohio through effective regulation of the professions of occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic training. Goals to achieve this mission include:

- Ensuring that individuals practicing occupational therapy, physical therapy, and athletic training meet sufficient standards of education, training, competence, and ethics, as defined in the laws and rules governing the profession.
- Investigate and discipline licensees whose practice falls below the minimal standards of care.
- Define and advocate for standards of safe OT, PT, AT practice, and ensure that the laws and rules governing the practice accurately reflect current standards.
- Provide information about the licensees of the OT PT AT Board, the Board's functions and operations, and the laws governing the practice of OT, PT, and AT.
- Achieve and maintain the highest possible levels of organizational efficiency.

Approval of Minutes

Action: Thomas Caldwell moved that the May 15, 2008 meeting minutes be approved as corrected. Robert Frampton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Executive Director’s Report

The Executive Director presented the following information to the Board:

- The Executive Director reported on the budget. The Office of Budget and Management will likely transfer some funds from Fund 4K90 to the General Revenue Fund. The specific dollar amount is unknown at this time.
- The anticipated date for the office move is mid-November. The file room will be installed next week. The modular furniture should be delivered in late October.
- The Executive Director reported that the Board is excited to have the licensing unit back fully staffed. The new licensing clerk, Adela Lopez-Wellman, will begin on Monday.

The formal Executive Director’s report is attached to the minutes.

Action: Paul Miller moved that the Board go into executive session to discuss personnel matters. Thomas Caldwell seconded the motion.

The Executive Director called the roll:

Donna Baker	Yes
Jody Benda	Absent
Raymond Bilecky	Yes
Thomas Caldwell	Yes
Mary Kay Eastman	Yes
Rebecca Finni	Yes
Robert Frampton	Yes
Aaron Galpert	Yes
Kimberly Lawler	Yes
Rebecca LeBron	Yes
Paul G. Miller	Yes
Vincent O’Brien	Yes
Nanette Shoemaker	Yes
Mary Stover	Yes
Randall Wroble	Yes

The Section went into executive session at 10:15 am and came out at 10:27 am. There was no action taken.

Open Forum

Vincent O’Brien raised the issue of the Board having a president-elect position. Rebecca LeBron agreed that this position would be a good training tool for the next joint board president. Rebecca LeBron raised the idea of electing a president for a two-year term. Vincent O’Brien will have two or three options for the Board to consider at the January 2009 meeting.

The Executive Director announced that the next Board sponsored continuing education seminar will be offered on December 10, 2008 at the University of Findlay. The Board will offer this session two or three times in 2009.

Old Business

Impaired Practitioners Taskforce Report

Robert Frampton reported that he has received some information from the enforcement division. The committee will meet soon. Mr. Frampton stated that the long term goal of this taskforce is to provide remediation resources licensees.

New Business

Occupational Therapy Section Report

Nanette Shoemaker presented the Occupational Therapy Section report. Ms. Shoemaker reported that the Occupational Therapy Section had a retreat in June to review its strategic plan and set new goals. The Section also reviewed the disciplinary fine structure, and the use of unlicensed personnel. In August, the Section presented at the OT/PT School Based Institute. The Section will be presenting at the Ohio Occupational Therapy Association

conference in October. Nanette Shoemaker presented a certificate from Governor Strickland to Rebecca LeBron for her contributions and service on the Occupational Therapy Section and Joint Board.

Physical Therapy Section Report

Robert Frampton presented the Physical Therapy Section report. Dr. Frampton reported that the Section presented at the OT/PT School Based Institute. The Section will present at the Ohio Physical Therapy Association conference in October. Dr. Frampton also reported that at the Federation of State Boards for Physical Therapy annual conference, Jeffrey Rosa was elected as the FSBPT Administrative Staff Director. The Section made revisions to the administrative rules. Dr. Frampton also reported that the Physical Therapy Section vacancies have been filled. The new Section members are Sam Coppoletti and Dale Deubler. Robert Frampton stated that a certificate from the Governor will be mailed to Dr. Averell Overby for her contributions and service on the Physical Therapy Section.

Athletic Trainers Section Report

Vincent O'Brien presented the Athletic Trainers Section report. Mr. O'Brien reported the Section is finishing up the licensure renewals. The Athletic Trainers Section is in the process of adding two new members to the Section. The Section is in the process of revising the standard responses to reflect the new law changes. The Section met with the Ohio Department of Education to discuss the pupil activity validation program. The Section held a retreat in July 2008, which included meeting with the leadership from the Ohio Athletic Trainers Association. Vincent O'Brien presented a certificate from the Governor to Paul Miller and Jody Benda for their contributions and service on the Athletic Trainers Section and the Joint Board.

Attorney General Report

Yvonne Tertel, AAG informed the Board that the Speech Language Pathology and Audiology Board ended the discussions on the proposal to have their Board join the Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board. Ms. Tertel stated that the Speech Language Pathology and Audiology Board expressed their sincere appreciation to Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board for its willingness to discuss the proposal.

Customer Satisfaction Survey Results

The Executive Director discussed the responses from the Board's customer satisfaction survey. The Executive Director informed the Board that the website is in the process of being redesigned to make it easier to navigate. The website will have a new look similar to the ohio.gov website. The Executive Director anticipates the new website layout will be implemented in January 2009.

Agency Fees

The Executive Director anticipates an increase in the agency's fund balance for fiscal years 2010-2011. The Executive Director proposed that the Board offer a rebate on the renewal fee for fiscal year 2010. The Board also discussed potentially lowering the initial application fee. The Executive Director will look at the fiscal impact of decreasing initial application fees and present his findings at the January 2009 meeting.

Annual Report

The Board made no changes to the annual report. The Executive Director will file the annual report with the Governor's office and will post the report on the Board's website. Rebecca LeBron commended Jeffrey Rosa on annual report. The Executive Director thanked Lisa Ratinaud and Diane Moore for gathering information for the annual report.

2009 Meeting Calendar

The Executive Director presented the proposed 2009 meeting schedule.

Items for the Next Meeting

- Election of Officers
- Agency Fees
- Section Reports
- Customer Satisfaction Survey
- Report from the Impaired Practitioner Taskforce

Next Meeting

The next Joint Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 15, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.

Action: Thomas Caldwell moved that the meeting be adjourned. Paul Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Moore

Vincent O'Brien, AT, President
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Thomas Caldwell, PT, AT, ATC, Secretary
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Jeffrey M. Rosa, Executive Director
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