



Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy,
and Athletic Trainers Board

Physical Therapy Section
January 20, 2022
9:00 am

Riffe Center, 77 South High Street, 19th Floor, Columbus, OH 43215

Members Present

Mario Baker
Craig Campbell
Anthony Ganim
Erin Hofmeyer
Tim McIntire, Chair
Karen McIntyre, Secretary
CJ Miller
Cheryl VanHoose
Jennifer Wissinger
Timothy Keck, public member

Legal Counsel

Lindsay Miller, AAG

Staff Present

Melissa Anthony, Executive Director
David Day, Paralegal
Aariann Felix, Executive Assistant

Guests

None

Members Absent

None

Call to Order

Tim McIntire, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM.

Approval of Minutes

Karen McIntyre moved that the minutes from the November 18, 2021 meeting be approved as amended. Erin Hofmeyer seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Executive Director Report

Presented at Joint Board

Discussion of Law and Rule Changes

Tim McIntire moved that rule 4755-23-08 (Continuing Education) be approved to file with the Common Sense Initiative with the changes as discussed. Mario Baker seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Tim McIntire moved to file rule 4755-27-09 (Telehealth) be filed for early stakeholder outreach. Karen McIntyre seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Licensure Applications

Karen McIntyre moved that the Physical Therapy Section ratify, as submitted the physical therapist and physical therapist assistant licenses issues by examination, endorsement and reinstatement by the Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and Athletic Trainers Board from, November 19, 2021 to January 20, 2022, taking into account those individuals subject to discipline, surrender, or non-renewal. Jennifer Wissinger seconded. Motion carried.

Physical Therapy License by Endorsement-16

Samantha Beeler
Brock Bishop
Carly Elise Cooper
Elizabeth Dierkes
Jake Engle

Joshua Paul Halfpap
Samantha Lorraine Harbert
Nathaniel Richard Heppermann
Ashley Marie Kobler
Tyson Kazuo Matsumoto

Tesy Oommen
Michael Josheph Pappas
Ethan Thomas Pravetz
Omae Alphonso Ross
Philip Brandon Taylor
Annie Yi

Physical Therapy License by Endorsement-9

Jared Nathaniel Comanescu
Kara E Dirksen
Luis Alfonso Garces

Danielle Lee
Mitchell Reid Leffler
Casie Lee Parker

Inshal Jamal Syeda
Amber Taylor
Chloe Turnbull

Physical Therapy Assistant License by Examination-9

Jacob A Beckner
John Drop
Breanna Mae Kummer

Micaela LaChapelle
Cameron Diare Locke
Ashley Grace Miller

Jason Michael Perkins
Cory Alan Sager
Hannah Marie Thomas

Karen McIntyre moved that the section grant the application withdrawal requests for PT/PTA examination/endorsement/reinstatement applications on file with the Board on January 20, 2022 based on the documentation provided. Second by Jennifer Wissinger. All in favor. Motion passed.

Enforcement

Enforcement Statistics

“New” cases opened since last meeting: 6

Cases “closed” since the last meeting: 19

Cases “currently open”: 34

Active consent agreements: 15

Adjudication orders being monitored: 7

Release from Consent Agreement

Tony Ganim informed the Board that the following individuals have been released from their consent agreement:

Sarah Mays PTA
Marsha Ausel PTA
Matthew Pecorelli PTA

Notice of Opportunity for Hearing

Tony Ganim recommended that a motion be made to issue a notice of opportunity for hearing for case number PT-21-078 for failure to respond to continuing education audit. Erin Hofmeyer made the motion. Karen McIntyre seconded. Tony Ganim and CJ Miller abstained. All in favor. Motion passes.

Tony Ganim recommended that a motion be made to issue a notice of opportunity for hearing for case number PT-21-079 for failure to respond to continuing education audit. Erin Hofmeyer made the motion. Karen McIntyre seconded. Tony Ganim and CJ Miller abstained. All in favor. Motion passes.

Tony Ganim recommended that a motion be made to rescind the notice of opportunity for hearing issued for PT-21-072 for entering into a consent agreement with the Board. Erin Hofmeyer made the motion. Karen McIntyre seconded. Tony Ganim and CJ Miller abstained. All in favor. Motion passes.

Consent Agreements

Tony Ganim recommended that a motion be made to accept the consent agreement for case PT-19-015 in lieu of going to hearing. Erin Hofmeyer made the motion. Karen McIntyre seconded. Tony Ganim and CJ Miller abstained. All in favor. Motion passes. The Board accepted the consent agreement for Robert Miles, PTA.

Tony Ganim recommended that a motion be made to accept the consent agreement for case PT-20-006 in lieu of going to hearing. Erin Hofmeyer made the motion. Karen McIntyre seconded. Tony Ganim and CJ Miller abstained. All in favor. Motion passes. The Board accepted the consent agreement for Gretchen Gorham, PTA.

Tony Ganim recommended that a motion be made to accept the consent agreement for case PT-21-059 in lieu of going to hearing. Erin Hofmeyer made the motion. Karen McIntyre seconded. Tony Ganim and CJ Miller abstained.

All in favor. Motion passes with minor edit to hours. The Board accepted the consent agreement for Flordeliz Sebastian, PT.

Tony Ganim recommended that a motion be made to accept the consent agreement for case PT-21-063 in lieu of going to hearing. Erin Hofmeyer made the motion. Karen McIntyre seconded. Tony Ganim and CJ Miller abstained. All in favor. Motion passes with minor edit to hours. The Board accepted the consent agreement for Kathleen O'Leary, PT.

Tony Ganim recommended that a motion be made to accept the consent agreement for case PT-21-067 in lieu of going to hearing. Erin Hofmeyer made the motion. Karen McIntyre seconded. Tony Ganim and CJ Miller abstained. All in favor. Motion passes. The Board accepted the consent agreement for Robert Dunham, PT.

Tony Ganim recommended that a motion be made to accept the consent agreement for case PT-21-072 in lieu of going to hearing. Erin Hofmeyer made the motion. Karen McIntyre seconded. Tony Ganim and CJ Miller abstained. All in favor. Motion passes. The Board accepted the consent agreement for Richard Hover, PTA.

Tony Ganim recommended that a motion be made to accept the consent agreement for case PT-21-086 in lieu of going to hearing. Erin Hofmeyer made the motion. Karen McIntyre seconded. Tony Ganim and CJ Miller abstained. All in favor. Motion passes. The Board accepted the consent agreement for Patrick Sharkey, PT.

Tony Ganim recommended that a motion be made to accept the consent agreement for case PT-21-089 in lieu of going to hearing. Erin Hofmeyer made the motion. Karen McIntyre seconded. Tony Ganim and CJ Miller abstained. All in favor. Motion passes. The Board accepted the consent agreement for Jason Nemunaitis, PT.

Goldman Hearing

Tim McIntire called the proceed to order at 9:34 AM on January 20, 2022 at the Vern Riffe Center, 77 S. High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. Members of the Board present for the proceeding are:

Mario Baker
Craig Campbell
Anthony Ganim
Erin Hofmeyer
Tim McIntire
Karen McIntyre
CJ Miller
Jennifer Wissinger
Cheryl VanHoose

It was noted for the record that a majority of the members of the Board are present. There was one adjudication proceeding. The proceeding was in the matter of David Roman, case number PT-02-245.

This proceeding was affidavit-based adjudication relative to the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing mailed to the respondent in the aforementioned case and believed to have been properly served according to the Administrative Procedures Act (Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code).

As the respondent declined to have a hearing in the case, this proceeding was held before the Board pursuant to Goldman v. State Medical Board of Ohio. The individual named did not have the ability to present written or oral testimony today but may be present to hear the proceeding and outcome.

In lieu of a stenographic record being made, let the minutes reflect that the original sworn affidavit and exhibits are kept as the official record of the proceeding in the aforementioned matter in the Board office.

Assistant Attorney General, Lindsay Miller provided a brief synopsis of the case, calling Board investigator, Jaklyn Shucofsky, as a sworn witness.

Jennifer Wissinger moved to admit the facts and exhibits outlined in the sworn affidavit and testimony into evidence. Mario Baker seconded. CJ Miller and Tony Ganim abstain. All in favor. Motion passes.

The proceeding closed at 9:42am. The procedural and jurisdictional matters having been satisfied, the PT Section proceeded by deliberation on the sworn affidavit and exhibits.

Jennifer Wissinger moved to recess the meeting in order to go into private session for the purpose of quasi-judicial deliberation on David Roman, case number PT-02-245. and to reconvene the meeting after deliberations are complete. Craig Campbell seconded. Roll Call.

Mario Baker - yes
Craig Campbell - yes
Tony Ganim – yes
Erin Hofmeyer- yes
Tim McIntire - yes
Karen McIntyre - yes
CJ Miller – yes
Jennifer Wissinger - yes
Cheryl VanHoose- yes

CJ Miller and Tony Ganim left the room. The section reconvened after deliberation. Miller and Ganim rejoined.

Based on a thorough review of the evidence, Karen McIntyre moved that the PT Section finds the following findings of facts in the matter of Case No PT-20-235, Sharita Cospy: Items numbered 4-13 as listed in the affidavit of Jacklyn Shucofsky. Erin Hofmeyer seconded. CJ Miller and Tony Ganim abstained. All in favor. Motion passes.

Based on a thorough review of the evidence, Karen McIntyre moved that the PT Section finds the following conclusions of law in the matter of Case No PT-20-235, Sharita Cospy: The respondent has violated Ohio Revised Code sections 4755.47 (A)(6) and Ohio Administrative Code rule 4755-23-08 E(3). Erin Hofmeyer seconded. CJ Miller and Tony Ganim abstained. All in favor. Motion passes.

Based upon a preponderance of the evidence and the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, Karen McIntyre moved that the board revoke the PTA license of Sharita Cospy. Mario Baker seconded. CJ Miller and Tony Ganim abstained. All in favor. Motion passes.

The PTA license of Sharita Cospy, PTA005545, is revoked immediately.

CE Waiver Requests

Tony Ganim moved that the Section grant an extension until June 20, 2022 for the completion of continuing education requirements for 2 PT CE Waiver requests on file with the Board on January 20, 2022 (with 1 exception: an extension until February 10, 2022) with a reminder that any CE taken and counted for the 2021 renewal cannot count toward the next renewal. Karen McIntyre seconded. Tony Ganim and CJ Miller abstained. All in favor. Motion carried.

Correspondence

The PT section reviewed correspondence on questions and discussed CEUs for renewal of hand therapy certification commission (HTCC).

OPTA Report

Report presented by Amanda Sines of OPTA. Looking ahead to advocate for the fair co-pay bill and looking at ways to increase access to injured workers. The OPTA Transform Conference is also coming up in April.

FSBPT/PT Compact Report

The PT Compact is looking to spend money on marketing to become a self-supporting organization. FSBPT is upgrading their systems so that they can integrate with eLicense Ohio, and so board staff do not need to manually enter compact privileges into the system.

Open Forum - None

Old Business

None.

Newsletter Topics

The PT section discussed potential newsletter topics such as telehealth and support resources for mental health.

New Business

Tony Ganim motioned to allow a one-week grace period for PT license holders who have renewed for 2022 to take the Ohio Jurisprudence Assessment Module, with the reminder it must be taken again for the 2024 renewal. Erin Hofmeyer seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Appointment of Liaisons

- Enforcement Division- Tony Ganim, Erin Hofmeyer, CJ Miller
- Licensure Liaison- Karen McIntyre and Mario Baker
- Continuing Education Liaison- Erin Hofmeyer
- Correspondence Liaison- Craig Campbell, Cheryl VanHoose
- Rules Liaison- Tim McIntire

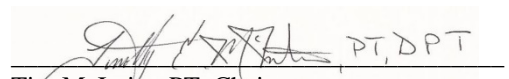
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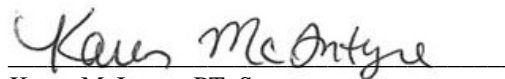
The PT section will be discussing language to define patient and patient-client relationship and the RTI standard response. Executive Director to investigate rule language for the Physicians Health Program.


Adjournment

If there is no further business and there is no objection, the meeting will be adjourned. There being no objection, Erin Hofmeyer adjourned the meeting at 2:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Aariann Felix


 Tim McIntire, PT, Chair
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