

THE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
Professional & Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF MEETING

- Date: Tuesday, September 13, 2016
- Time: 9:00 a.m.
- Place: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, 1st Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
- Present: Neil Shimabukuro, Physical Therapist (“PT”), Chair
Rachelle Iopa, PT, Vice Chair
Russell Chung, Public Member
Debra Kubota, PT
Michael Turner, PT
Jill Wakabayashi, Physical Therapist Assistant (“PTA”)
Alan Taniguchi, Executive Officer (“EO”)
Rodney Tam, Deputy Attorney General (“DAG”)
Jennifer Fong, Secretary
- Guests: Ahmad E. Marohombsar, DPT
Herb Yee, Hawaii Chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association (“HAPTA”)
Lucy Lessard, Queen’s
- Agenda: The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by section 92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes (“HRS”).
1. Call to Order: There being a quorum present, Chair Shimabukuro called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.
 2. Additions/
Additional
Distribution
to Agenda: Upon a motion by Vice Chair Iopa, seconded by Ms. Kubota, it was voted on and unanimously carried to add the following item to the agenda:
 - Under 5. New Business, add “b. Jill Wakabayashi’s Travel Report from the 2016 FSBPT Leadership Issues Forum”
 3. Approval of
Board Meeting
Minutes of the
July 12, 2016 Chair Shimabukuro asked if there were any comments or concerns regarding the board meeting minutes of the July 12, 2016 meeting.

There were none.

Meeting:

Upon a motion by Ms. Wakabayashi, seconded by Ms. Kubota, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2016 meeting as circulated.

4. Executive Officer's Report:

a. 2017 Meeting Schedule

EO Taniguchi reported that the 2017 meeting schedule had been distributed to the Board. He reminded the members that if they are unable to attend a meeting, they should notify the office as soon as possible.

5. New Business:

a. Providers approved by another state or jurisdiction's physical therapy board

EO Taniguchi noted that some jurisdictions, such as California, do not approve individual continuing competency courses. Instead, they recognize continuing competency approving agencies. These agencies may either use their authority as an approval agency to approve their own courses or may approve courses from another provider. He noted that some of these providers have statements that their courses are approved by the Hawaii Board due to the fact that their courses have been approved by another state's PT board, without taking into consideration that the Board requires that the courses must be in subjects related to either the professional practice of physical therapy or patient/client management. He is concerned that licensees may take a course that would not be approved by the Board due to its subject matter.

Mr. Turner noted that other than the required continuing competence ("CC") units in ethics, laws, and rules and life support, the CC units must be in subjects related to either the professional practice of physical therapy or patient/client management. It is in the statute as well as in documents on the CC section on the Board's website. He said that ultimately, it is the PT's responsibility to ensure that any course they take meets the Board's requirements.

Vice Chair Iopa noted that a licensee should have the knowledge to determine whether a course they take is either professional practice of physical therapy or patient/client management. If it is not either of those, then the course will not count towards meeting the requirement.

Mr. Turner asked what the process would be for someone who wants their course to be reviewed by the Board.

EO Taniguchi noted that the requirements for course approval by Board are listed on the Board's website. All requests for review should be complete and submitted no later than 20 business days prior to the scheduled meeting date.

He reminded the Board that the November meeting is their last of the year. Any requests for course approval after the deadline will not be reviewed for the current biennium.

Mr. Turner noted that the Board has approved three ethics, laws, and rules courses. He has not taken the course sponsored by the FSBPT, however, he did take the other two courses because he wanted to see what they were like. He stated that he was very disappointed in the content of the courses. One of them allowed the individual to take the course as many times as they wanted until they got the answers correct.

EO Taniguchi reminded the Board that they previously determined that they would see how the first renewal went and then review the requirements to see if they wanted to make any changes. He noted that the Board can revisit the requirements for course approvals if they would like to make changes.

Chair Shimabukuro said that may be something that the Board should consider.

b. Jill Wakabayashi's Travel Report from the 2016 FSBPT Leadership Issues Forum

Ms. Wakabayashi's travel report was distributed to the Board.

Ms. Wakabayashi stated that the main focus of the Leadership Issues Forum was the FSBPT bylaws that will be voted upon at the 2016 Annual Meeting. She asked if she could distribute the bylaws to the members to ask for their opinion.

DAG Tam stated that Ms. Wakabayashi should send the document to the EO who could then distribute to the members. He reminded the Board that all comments should be sent to the EO to avoid possible violations of the Sunshine law.

Ms. Wakabayashi stated that it was a good meeting and she found it very beneficial. She reported the following information:

- To date, four states have adopted the Compact into state regulation with one state pending.

Mr. Yee asked what is holding up implementation of the Compact.

EO Taniguchi reminded the Board that privacy laws prohibit the state from releasing licensee's confidential information such as their social security number and date of birth, which is the information requested by the FSBPT.

DAG Tam noted that if the FSBPT had a less intrusive way of identifying licensees then participation may be a possibility but at this time, they require information the Board cannot provide.

Vice Chair Iopa said she recalls at one point there was discussion regarding whether there would be any benefit in participation because of the distance between Hawaii and other jurisdictions. It appears that the Compact would best benefit PTs who could drive over state borders to work in another state.

- There was a presentation on continuing competence and the implementation of aPTitude. She noted that there are many benefits for licensees to use aPTitude.

Mr. Turner asked if the Board can require the use of aPTitude.

EO Taniguchi reminded the Board that they previously decided not to require the use of aPTitude as there were concerns that there may be some licensees who did not have access to a computer to utilize the program.

- The FSBPT is creating a new website for continued competence. The goal is to streamline the process and provide links to resources such as aPTitude and Procort on this website.
- The FSBPT will be implementing changes for schools to report information starting in October. This reporting process will also assist jurisdictions with the reporting of sensitive information as the exam candidate will be reporting the information directly to the FSBPT.

6. Continued
Competence
Course Approval
Requests:

After some discussion, upon a motion by Vice Chair Iopa, seconded by Ms. Wakabayashi, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the following course for Professional Practice continuing competence units ("CCUs"):

Index #: 16-042
Program Title: Skin & Wound Care: 15 Assessment and Treatment Techniques You Didn't Know
Sponsor: PESI, Inc.
Course Date: 12/5/16
CCUs: 6.25

After some discussion, upon a motion by Chair Shimabukuro, seconded by Ms. Wakabayashi, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the following course for Professional Practice CCUs:

Index #: 16-043
Program Title: *Dementia Management: Staging and Treatment*
Sponsor: *Brighton Rehabilitation*
Course Date: 9/19/16; 9/21/16
CCUs: 4

After some discussion, upon a motion by Ms. Kubota, seconded by Ms. Wakabayashi, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the following course for Professional Practice CCUs:

Index #: 16-044
Program Title: *Female Pelvic Girdle and Pelvic Floor Connections – External Exam and Treatment Techniques for Orthopedic Conditions*
Sponsor: *Queen’s Women’s Health Center*
Course Date: 10/29-30/16
CCUs: 15

After some discussion, upon a motion by Chair Shimabukuro, seconded by Mr. Turner, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer the following course pending receipt of additional documents and if the additional documents are provided, to delegate approval of the course for professional practice CCUs to the EO:

Program Title: *Evaluation & Management of the Thoracic Spine & Shoulder Girdle*
Sponsor: *The University of Montana*

After some discussion, upon a motion by Ms. Wakabayashi, seconded by Vice Chair Iopa, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer the following course pending receipt of additional documents and if the additional documents are provided, to delegate approval of the course for professional practice CCUs to the EO:

Program Title: *How to Exercise After Pregnancy*
Sponsor: *Jessica Stare Valant, MSPT, PMA-CPT*

After some discussion, upon a motion by Ms. Wakabayashi, seconded by Mr. Turner, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer the following course pending receipt of additional documents and if the additional documents are provided, to delegate approval of the course for professional practice CCUs to the EO:

Program Title: Safe Travel for All Children: Transporting Children with Special Healthcare Needs

Sponsor: Kapiolani Medical Center for Women and Children

After some discussion, upon a motion by Ms. Wakabayashi, seconded by Vice Chair Iopa, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer the following course pending receipt of additional documents:

Program Title: Aston Arthro-Kinetics Phase II

Sponsor: Aston Paradigm Corp.

7. Applications:

a. Ratifications

Upon a motion by Ms. Kubota, seconded by Vice Chair Iopa, it was voted on and unanimously carried to ratify the following:

Approved for Physical Therapist License

PT 4221 CELESTE R HENDRICKS	PT 4238 KAYSE L DYMOND
PT 4222 CHARMAINE G RANOVA	PT 4239 SCOTT H ARAMBURU
PT 4223 JACK J CARMICHAEL	PT 4240 EDWARD GUTIERREZ
PT 4224 RUBY A BULAOAT	PT 4241 EMILY G LOGAN
PT 4225 SIERRA E REHRER	PT 4242 MELANIO D BIBAY
PT 4226 TRENTON J SAUPAN	PT 4243 JOHN M DILLON
PT 4227 AIMEE J D LAM	PT 4244 ALEXANDRA C LANGFORD
PT 4228 SUZANNE M MCFARLAND	PT 4245 SHAWN J SCOTT
PT 4229 AARON TANIGUCHI	PT 4246 MARC J N SAGUIGUIT
PT 4230 REBECCA A BENNER	PT 4247 VIVIANNE V SALAZAR
PT 4231 SHEA J RODRIGUES	PT 4248 ROBERT J SILVA
PT 4232 RICHARD A SCHMESKI	PT 4249 KARIN M STALTER
PT 4233 MYRA ADDENBROOKE	PT 4250 JON L PICARIELLO
PT 4234 SHAWNTE B WARFIELD	PT 4251 MELISSA MEISSNER
PT 4235 SAMANTHA M FLIETSTRA	PT 4252 NOELANI M VARGAS
PT 4236 MARY ANN LANOUE	PT 4253 DANIEL LIN
PT 4237 KATIE WONGTHIPKONGKA	PT 4254 ERIN M DEGROAT

PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT LICENSE

PTA 313 IRYNA BROCK
PTA 314 EMMANUELLE D R QUIAMBAO
PTA 315 REBECCA M WAUGH
PTA 316 BETHANY R VAN HORN
PTA 317 ANDREW R HUNT
PTA 318 BETHANY J ALBRITTON
PTA 319 JEFFREY R ALBRITTON
PTA 320 ASTRID H MCNULTY

b. Applications

Executive
Session:

At 10:07 a.m., it was moved by Ms. Wakabayashi, seconded by Mr. Turner, and unanimously carried to move into Executive Session in accordance with HRS, § 92-5(a)(1) and (4), "To consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for professional or vocational licenses cited in section 26-9 or both," and "To consult with the board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities".

At 10:30 a.m., it was moved by Vice Chair Iopa, seconded by Ms. Kubota, and unanimously carried to move out of Executive Session.

1) Corine Cojocar

Upon a motion by Vice Chair Iopa, seconded by Chair Shimabukuro, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve Ms. Cojocar to sit for the NPTE exam.

2) Ahmad Marohombsar

Upon a motion by Chair Shimabukuro, seconded by Ms. Wakabayashi, it was voted on and unanimously carried to inform Mr. Marohombsar that pursuant to HAR § 16-110-20(b)(2), a PT applicant who is a graduate of a school or college of physical therapy located outside the United States that is not accredited by CAPTE must provide a certified credentials evaluation performed by a credentials evaluation agency approved by the board and prepared within one year from the date of the application's submission.

8. Next Meeting:

After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Board that there would not be quorum to hold a meeting on Tuesday, November 1, 2016 as scheduled. Board members were asked to check their availability for the week of November 14th and

let the staff know so an alternative date may be determined. Once determined, the new date will be posted on the Board's website.

9. Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, Chair Shimabukuro adjourned the meeting at 10:37 a.m.

Taken by:

/s/ Jennifer Fong

Jennifer Fong
Secretary

Reviewed by:

/s/ Alan Taniguchi

Alan Taniguchi
Executive Officer

9/23/16

Minutes approved as is.

Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of _____.