

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

MINUTES OF MEETING

- Date: Tuesday, June 3, 2014
- Time: 9:00 a.m.
- Place: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, 1st Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
- Present: Michael Turner, Physical Therapist (“PT”), Chair
Rachelle Iopa, PT, Vice Chair
Russell Chung, Public Member
Debra Kubota, PT
Elizabeth McCreary, Public Member
Neil Shimabukuro, PT
Alan Taniguchi, Executive Officer (“EO”)
Rodney Tam, Deputy Attorney General (“DAG”)
Jennifer Fong, Secretary
- Guests: Mathew Yamamoto
Celeste Van Treese-Osaki, Tripler Army Medical Center (“TAMC”)
Kyle Goya
Cris Kaniaupio, TAMC/Ho`okahi Leo
- 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 Turner called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.
 2. Additions/Revisions to Agenda: Chair Turner announced that the following was distributed to the Board members as additional distribution:
 6. Unfinished Business
 - a. Rule Revisions – Title 16, Chapter 110, Hawaii Administrative Rules - Physical Therapist Assistant (“PTA”) Licensure – Updated Draft

3. Approval of
Board Meeting
Minutes of the
May 13, 2014
Meeting:

Upon a motion by Ms. Kubota, seconded by Ms. McCreary, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2014 meeting as circulated.

4. Executive Officer's
Update:

EO Taniguchi announced that this is Chair Turner's last meeting as a board member. He presented a certificate of appreciation to Chair Turner and thanked him for devoting valuable time while serving on the Board.

EO Taniguchi noted that the Board had asked him to contact the FSBPT regarding the cost of developing a jurisprudence exam. He reported that the FSBPT can administer the exam with no cost to the state.

Chair Turner stated that he had a previous discussion with Heidi Herbst-Paakkonen of the FSBPT and he was under the impression that the FSBPT would require the state to pay the cost to develop the exam.

EO Taniguchi said he was under the impression that the FSBPT would recoup the development cost from the licensees, however, he will contact the FSBPT to double check.

5. Applications:

a. Ratifications

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

Approved for Physical Therapist License

- PT 3735 NICOLE M STEVENS
- PT 3736 DIANA M W LEE
- PT 3737 TRENTON D VAN OOTEGHEM
- PT 3738 RACHEL Y GATEWOOD
- PT 3739 DIANA-MARISOL B NAJERA-LIN
- PT 3740 MATTHEW B GREENE
- PT 3741 DAVID Y K LUI
- PT 3742 LAURA L ANDERSON
- PT 3743 LAURA K SAWATZKE
- PT 3744 CAITLIN M BELTON
- PT 3745 BRYANT D HAZELTON
- PT 3746 LAURA K HUGHES
- PT 3747 ROBIN L KACOS
- PT 3748 EDWARD F LEONARD

- PT 3749 ENOCH R MILLS
- PT 3750 JESSICA C TRIBBEY
- PT 3751 MARTINA ESCHENBURG
- PT 3752 STEPHANIE L LITTMAN
- PT 3753 JARED H BRITCHER
- PT 3754 KATHLEEN M MOORE-DIXON
- PT 3755 LOWELL R S CABALLERO
- PT 3756 ERNEST D GEIGER
- PT 3757 MA RONELLA M DAULO
- PT 3758 JIMMY Y LIN
- PT 3759 HEATHER P LOPEZ
- PT 3760 CARLA O REED
- PT 3761 ADETOLA O ADASHUKO
- PT 3762 AMBER N ROHDE
- PT 3763 CARA L SCHUSTER
- PT 3764 CELIA A ARNESON
- PT 3765 MELISSA L MIYASHIRO
- PT 3766 ANDREW V VELOPOLCAK
- PT 3767 ELI M CHO
- PT 3768 NATALIE E TURCOTTE
- PT 3769 CAMERON E ENGLISH
- PT 3770 PATRICK L SCHNEIDER
- PT 3771 ELIZABETH L ECKART
- PT 3772 STEVEN M EGNER
- PT 3773 RACHEL Z BAUGH
- PT 3774 REGINA C UGRINSKY
- PT 3775 ELIZABETH G SAN JUAN
- PT 3776 DEREK M LANDIS
- PT 3777 SHARI L MILLER
- PT 3778 JENNIFER E AUSTIN
- PT 3779 STEPHANIE N LANDIS
- PT 3780 ANNA L SAMPAYAN
- PT 3781 NICHOLAS K SEKIYA
- PT 3782 JENNIFER L ROMANO-JOSEPH
- PT 3783 MAXINE J HUIE
- PT 3784 CHERYL S ABELOW
- PT 3785 CHANG-HAN T CHEN
- PT 3786 NICOLE C YAMAMOTO
- PT 3787 ARIEL C SOUCIE
- PT 3788 DEBORAH J TULLY

- PT 3789 DANIELLE E BARZOLOSKI
- PT 3790 MARY C ADAMS-CHALLENGER
- PT 3791 STEPHANIE N VANHOFF
- PT 3792 RACHEL E SOWERS
- PT 3793 LISA M SZOSTAKOWSKI
- PT 3794 NOAH C BRANTLEY
- PT 3795 VIRGINIA R HUNTLEY
- PT 3796 SANYA J SAHI
- PT 3797 JACQUELYN V VAUGHAN
- PT 3798 GLYNIS G S ALMONTE
- PT 3799 JESSICA P COOK
- PT 3800 KATE A ALILIO
- PT 3801 DIANA WONG LAM
- PT 3802 JENNIFER L MCFARLAND
- PT 3803 AMANDA L WITKO
- PT 3804 KATHRYN THEISEN
- PT 3805 JACQUELYN S DELA CRUZ
- PT 3806 GITA DHIR
- PT 3807 CHERYL D BELORO
- PT 3808 MICHAEL T SCHIRF
- PT 3809 MORGAN D EATON
- PT 3810 ZHANNA CONRAD
- PT 3811 LUKE D A ADAN
- PT 3812 HILARY B FORT
- PT 3813 AIMEE N SAINT ANDRE

b. Applications

None.

6. Unfinished
Business

a. Rule Revisions – Title 16, Chapter 110, Hawaii Administrative Rules -
Physical Therapist Assistant (“PTA”) Licensure – Update

A copy of a new draft which incorporates the comments and suggestions from both DAG Tam and the Legislative Reference Bureau was distributed to the Board.

After some discussion, upon a motion by Vice Chair Iopa, seconded by Mr. Shimabukuro, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the draft with the following substantive amendments:

1. §16-110-2, Definitions, under the definition for “Evaluation”, remove “dynamic”.
2. §16-110-2, Definitions, under the definition for “Support or auxiliary personnel”, remove “physical therapist assistant” as they will be a licensee and have their own definition.
3. For the reason stated in #2 above, all references to “support or auxiliary personnel” now include language adding “physical therapist assistant” (e.g. §16-110-5 will be renamed to “Duties of physical therapist assistants, and support or auxiliary personnel”).

EO Taniguchi stated that the rules are moving along the process. If the Board approves the new draft, the next step would be to get the approval of the Small Business Regulatory Review Board.

b. Rule Revisions – Title 16, Chapter 110, HAR – Continued Competence Language Working Committee

EO Taniguchi stated that if changes are made to the rules regarding continued competence, ideally he would like them completed by the end of the year to give education providers as well as licensees ample time to get the hours that they need for the 2016 renewal.

Chair Turner asked if the rules need to be amended.

EO Taniguchi noted that the statute currently allows continuing competence units “from a provider or agency approved by the board”. He said a rule change is not necessary unless the Board wants to provide more detailed information.

Ms. McCreary asked how licensees would be notified of the changes.

EO Taniguchi said that a notice will be posted on the Board’s website. The Licensing Branch can also send a notice to the mailing address on file.

Ms. McCreary asked if the continued competence requirement also applies to PTAs.

EO Taniguchi said no.

Board members expressed wishes to have a similar continued competence requirement for PTAs.

EO Taniguchi stated that if the Board wants to add a continued competence requirement for PTAs, the statute needs to be amended. He explained the legislative process to the board members.

Mr. Yamamoto expressed concern about possible accessibility issues for PTAs on the neighbor islands.

Chair Turner noted that the Board had taken into consideration neighbor island PTs when coming up with the continued competence requirements. There are many avenues to obtaining the necessary hours, not just traditional courses.

Ms. Van Treese-Osaki said previously because PTAs weren't licensed in Hawaii, those like herself who hold a license in another jurisdiction that required continued competence would have to pay out of pocket to take the courses they needed.

Ms. Kaniaupio stated that as a federal employee, she is fortunate that they are offered lots of free training which would qualify.

Ms. Van Treese-Osaki noted that not all employers offer courses for their employees.

Mr. Shimabukuro stated that as the demand for courses increase, he feels that the availability of those courses would also increase.

7. Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 9, 2014
9:00 a.m.
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8. Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, Chair Turner adjourned the meeting at 9:48 a.m.

Taken by:

/s/ Jennifer Fong

Jennifer Fong
Secretary

Reviewed by:

/s/ Alan Taniguchi

Alan Taniguchi
Executive Officer

6/16/14

Minutes approved as is.

Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of _____.