

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

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

Date: February 2, 2026

Time: 9:00 a.m.

In-Person Meeting Location: DCCA PVL Exam Room 330  
HRS King Kalakaua Building  
335 Merchant Street, Third Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Virtual Participation: Virtual Videoconference Meeting - Zoom Meeting  
<https://dcca-hawaii.gov.zoom.us/j/88940401032?pwd=galBExsjE4onDWCzm2Pa9UQ00D1eC2.1>

Recording Link <https://youtu.be/4HHIZMrg9Sc?si=dFtqzD654gg8cfD3>

Present: Cynthia Tamayo, Physical Therapist ("PT"), Chairperson  
Stacie Keliinoi, PT, Vice Chairperson  
Ross Lum, PT, Member  
Jill Wakabayashi, Member  
Michele Chee, PT, Member  
Young-Im Wilson, Executive Officer ("EO Kim")  
Adrian Stinardo, Executive Officer ("EO Stinardo")  
Jordan Ching, Deputy Attorney General ("DAG Ching")  
Cortnie Tanaka, Secretary

Guests: None

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").

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m., at which time quorum was established.

Approval of Minutes: It was moved by Vice Chair Keliinoi, seconded by Ms. Chee, and unanimously carried to approve the December 1, 2025 Open Session Meeting Minutes and the December 1, 2025 Executive Session Minutes.

Continuing  
Competence  
Course Approval  
Requests:

Chair Tamayo asked if there was any public testimony regarding the Continuing Competence course approval requests. No testimony was offered.

It was moved by Vice Chair Keliinoi, seconded by Ms. Chee, and unanimously carried to approve the following Continuing Competence course approval requests:

<b>PROGRAM TITLE (SPONSOR)</b>	<b>UNITS</b>
AMND	18.00
Pacific University OP & PT Continuing Education Symposium	7.00
Manip Like A Girl: Work Smarter not Harder	10.00

Ratification:

It was moved by Mr. Lum, seconded by Ms. Wakabayashi, and unanimously carried to approve the attached February 2, 2026 ratification list.

New Business:

- a. Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) Appointment of Board Delegate, Alternate Delegate, and Funded Administrator

It was moved by Vice Chair Keliinoi, seconded by Ms. Chee, and unanimously moved to appoint Ms. Wakabayashi as the Delegate, Chair Tamayo as the Alternate Delegate, and EO Stinardo as the Funded Administrator.

- b. Appointment of Legislative Liaisons

It was moved by Chair Tamayo, seconded by Ms. Wakabayashi, and unanimously moved to confirm Mr. Lum and Vice Chair Keliinoi as the legislative liaisons for the 2026 Legislative Session.

- c. Board Discussion on Requirements for Examination Waiver Under Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) Section 16-110-20(h)

It was moved by Ms. Wakabayashi, seconded by Mr. Lum and unanimously carried to enter into executive session at 9:31 a.m., pursuant to HRS section 92-5(a)(1) to consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for professional or vocational licenses cited in HRS section 26-9, and to consult with Jordan A.K. Ching, Deputy Attorney General's, on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities pursuant to HRS section 92-5(a)(4).

It was moved by Ms. Wakabayashi, seconded by Mr. Lum, and unanimously carried to return to the open session at 9:44 a.m..

Chair Tamayo reported that the Board consulted with DAG Ching regarding the Board's administrative rules, specifically examination waivers requirement under section HAR §16-110-20(h).

It was moved by Vice Chair Keliinoi, seconded by Mr. Lum, and unanimously carried to interpret the language of HAR §16-110-20(h) to continue requiring proof of passing Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy ("FSBPT") examinations, however licensure would not be required for approval of an examination waiver.

Vice Chair Keliinoi noted that the Board will continue to review the licensure status of applicants if such information is available.

Chair Tamayo stated that the wording on the Board's application will be updated to more clearly reflect the Board's interpretation.

Next Meeting: March 2, 2026  
9:00 a.m.  
HRH King Kalakaua Building  
King Kalakaua Conference Room  
335 Merchant Street  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:49 a.m.

Reviewed by:

/s/Young-Im Wilson  
Young-Im Wilson  
Executive Officer

Taken by:

/s/Adrian Stinardo  
Adrian Stinardo  
Executive Officer

2/7/2026

[ ] Minutes approved as is.

[ ] Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of \_\_\_\_\_.