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Louisiana Physical Therapy Board
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August 22, 2012

- 5:30 Informal Conference Case #20121019 Jerry Jones, Jr. Board Member
6:30 Call Meeting to order
6:35 July Board Meeting Minutes
6:45 Reports
Chairman's Report
Treasurer's Report
 - July 2012 actual vs. budget
 - SecuritiesExecutive Director's Report
 - La Attestation Questionnaire
 - Louisiana Physical Therapy Board Proposal
 - Electronic Dean Form7:00 Meeting with Shirley Bryan, PTA
Meeting with Joseph Heath Clampit, PTA
7:30 Rules and Regulations Implementation Issues
 - CEU credit for having a student
 - Cont ed hr for seminar presentation
 - Ethics requirement8:00 New Business
8:15 Legal
 - reciprocity Military
 - Military licensing
 - ACT 276 Military provisionRecess for the evening

August 23, 2012

- 8:30 Monty Warren
9:30 John McKowen, CPA
10:15 Board Monthly Call Discussion
 - documentation concerns questions addendum
 - documentation question concern8:45 Unfinished Business
Task Tracker
Correspondence
 - concern about d c recommendations
 - upcoming joint Board Chairs Administrators Session at the annual meeting
 - 2013 NPTE Fee Increase Deferred
 - Med Board AT Guidance9:15 Monitoring Disciplined Therapists Report
9:30 Investigation Summary Reports (one-on-one meetings)
10:00 Adjournment

LOUISIANA PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD

August 22 & 23, 2012 ACCEPTED

Proceedings for the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board, taken in regular session on Wednesday and Thursday, August 22 & 23, 2012, at 104 Fairlane Drive, Lafayette, LA 70507. Jerry Jones, Jr., Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 22. A quorum of members was present. Board members present were: Jerry Jones, Jr., Teresa Maize, Donna "Dee" Cochran, Gerald Leglue and Danny Landry. Cheryl Gaudin, Executive Director, Glenn Ducote, attorney, George Papale, attorney were present. Advisory Committee Member Arma Veneracion was in attendance.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the July 2012 board meeting were accepted as written.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Jerry Jones, Jr. reported the scheduling of Monty Warren's meeting with the board to discuss contracting with him to guide the construction of the board's new office. Warren is scheduled for Thursday morning to meet with the board.

7:00 pm Meeting with Shirley Bryan, PTA – Ms Bryan contacted the board to report she was unable to attend the Board meeting on Wednesday evening due to her husband's surgery that morning. The board questioned staff if Ms Bryan had complied with documentation required in her Consent Order. Ms Bryan did provide current home and work address, however, she has not forwarded documented proof of attendance at AA/DA meetings. The board asked staff to schedule Ms Bryan for the October board meeting.

7:00 pm Meeting with Joseph Clampit, PTA - Mr Clampit met with the board to discuss his probationary time and what measures he was taking to avoid future recurrences. Mr. Clampit has completed the terms of his Consent Agreement with the board.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand for the month of July was \$911,675.70. Receipts for July totaled \$9,639.86 and expenses for the month of July totaled \$31,827.41.

The two CD's will mature in September and December 2012.

The board discussed results of the Annual Attestation with John McKowen, CPA who conducted the audit. Discussion surrounded the OPEB category and the funds restricted to that category.

Motion was made by Teresa Maize, seconded by Jerry Jones, Jr.; "To accept the Attestation for the year ending June 30, 2012." All in favor were Teresa Maize, Jerry Jones, Jr., Al Moreau, III, Danny P Landry, Gerald Leglue, Donna "Dee" Cochran, and Kristina Lounsberry. No one opposed the motion.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Cheryl Gaudin presented the board with an electronic Certificate of Dean form submitted by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and suggested the board approve this electronic form of submission. The document contained all information required and included an electronic signature. The board approved acceptance of this electronic document.

Cheryl Gaudin obtained a listing of state contractors offering audio/visual equipment and contacted Audio Visual Innovators. Technicians came to the board office to determine the needs for a custom audio visual solution. The quote came in at \$22,220 for the solution. Decision for approval was tabled.

MONITORING DISCIPLINED THERAPISTS

Staff will contact Peggy Wilson and request she conduct a monitor visit with Stacey Andrus.

Staff will contact Anna Smith and request she conduct a monitor visit with Matthew Slimming and Miles Becnel.

Donna "Dee" Cochran will monitor Carrie Signal Jordan.

George Papale was asked to send certified mail to Shelly Sonnier in an attempt to obtain an update on her work status.

Anna Smith conducted a monitor visit with Kim Licausi. Smith reported it appeared Licausi was in compliance with the terms of his Consent Order.

Cole Padgett's sponsor submitted his monthly report on Cole's progress with his step program.

RULES AND REGULATIONS IMPLEMENTATION

Anne Melvin, PT owner of Lagniappe Seminars inquired as to whether the courses she submits to the board for approval on an annual basis could be used toward her continuing education requirement for licensure. In review of the courses, it was identified that Ms Melvin developed these courses several years prior. While the new rules allow a license to obtain credit for developing a continuing education course and presenting that course, the requirement includes development of that course during the current renewal period. Staff will respond to Ms Melvin the result of her inquiry.

NEW BUSINESS

A meeting was held with Monty Warren, Beau Box Commercial Real Estate to discuss entering into a contract with the board to oversee the building project for the board. Additional information is necessary to move forward. Cheryl Gaudin will make the necessary contacts to move forward and report to the board.

LEGAL

George Papale reported receipt of a letter from the Louisiana Department of Veteran Affairs indicating Act 276 of the 2012 Legislative Session should address two major problems in the state of Louisiana: veteran unemployment and spousal unemployment. Each professional or occupational licensing board is being asked to draft rules to address these issues. Cheryl Gaudin has conducted research to identify what action other states have taken as identical legislation was introduced and passed. Mr. Papale and Ms Gaudin will draft language for board review.

Glenn Ducote reported to the board that personal circumstances required that he resign from his position as legal counsel for the board.

The meeting was recessed at 10:30 pm.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:30 am. June 14th. A quorum of members was present. Board members present were: Jerry Jones, Jr., Teresa Maize, Al Moreau, III, Donna "Dee" Cochran, Gerald Leglue and Danny Landry. Cheryl Gaudin, Executive Director, and George Papale, attorney were present.

CORRESPONDENCE

Brad Ciolino, PT reported his employer recently asked all therapists to avoid making specific recommendations regarding patients' need for SNF vs Rehab vs Home Health. Instead, the employer requested recommendations such as "continued therapy services" and allow Case Management (along with other disciplines) to make the determination where patients receive this "continued therapy". The concern is that this is unethical and goes against his professional obligation to the patients he treat.

Maggie Donohue, PT President of the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT)

reported on August 6, 2012, the Board of Directors for the FSBPT passed a motion to defer the effective date of the planned and previously-approved NPTE fee increase from January 1, 2013 to January 1, 2014. This means that the NPTE fee will remain \$370 at least until January 1, 2014.

The Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners wrote a letter to the board reporting that certain professional groups and organizations are promoting athletic trainers as "physician extenders" and/or "orthopedic technicians." There were also instances in which athletic trainers in Louisiana held themselves out as "Athletic Trainer Physician Extender" and rendered services to a general patient population in an office setting and other practice settings based on their athletic trainer certification issued by the Medical Board. The letter indicated the scope of practice for an Athletic Trainer is limited to prevention, emergency management and physical rehab of athletics. Information purposes only.

Julia Thomas, PT Director at Slidell Memorial Hospital Outpatient Therapy, reported her staff is required to take an ethics course provided by The Louisiana Ethics Administration Program as they are considered public servants because who work for a Parish District Hospital. The course is entitled "2012 Code of Ethics for Public Servants" and is a one hour online training program. Ms Thomas inquired if this course would meet the ethics requirement for renewal of license. After review, the board determined the course offered by The Louisiana Ethics Administration Program would not be approved for credit toward the ethics requirement for renewal of license as it does not pertain to the profession.

Nina Dubret inquired if she completed requirements for being a Student CI and completed the form to receive continuing education credit, does she submit the form to the board? Rule 197.C indicates "Continuing education activities undertaken for the purpose of license renewal shall be maintained by the licensee in a file in which records of activities are kept, including dates, subjects, duration of the program, certificates of participation and completion, and any other appropriate documentation for a period of four years after the program date. Upon request, course or activity sponsors and licensees shall supply the board with such documentation. Staff will respond to Ms Dubret.

OTHER BUSINESS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

TASK TRACKER

Staff responded to the question posted by Lacey Pierce, PTA inquiring if it is within the scope of practice for a PTA to teach basic mechanics and stabilization exercises for the back or a class addressing chronic pain of the knee and shoulder. It was determined that it is not within the scope of practice for a PTA to teach these classes.

Staff responded to Breanna Green, PTA regarding the weekly PT/PTA conference in a SNF where computer system documentation is used. The documentation must be copied into the patient's.

Jerry Jones, Jr. responded to Nathan Jeanne, physical therapy graduate from Sacred Heart Academy in Fairfield, Connecticut that he is ineligible to obtain a PTA license in Louisiana without graduating from a CAPTE accredited PTA program.

Al Moreau, III spoke with Pam Janssen, PT regarding her request for clarification of placing a needle to do stimulation.

BOARD MEMBER MONTHLY CALLS

Dianna Parr works in a fairly large hospital in Metairie in an acute care setting where during a departmental meeting they were informed by the director (who is an OT) and the administrator (who is a nurse), that PT/OT/ST are not to document in their evals any D/C plans that specify what level of care the patient should D/C to. They were told to document continued therapy services (PT/OT/ST). It is then the decision of the case manager to obtain all necessary information to ultimately determine D/C disposition. Teresa Maize and Donna "Dee" Cochran consulted and Maize responded to Parr.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.
