



State of Louisiana
Department of Health and Hospitals
Louisiana Physical Therapy Board
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December 4, 2012

- 6:30 Call Meeting to order
- 6:35 October Board Meeting Minutes
- 6:45 Reports
 - Chairman's Report
 - Proposed Meeting Dates
 - Treasurer's Report
 - October 2012 actual vs. budget
 - Securities – October 2012
 - Executive Director's Report
- 7:00 Advisory Committee Appointments
- 7:30 Rules and Regulations Implementation Issues
- 8:00 New Business
- Recess for the evening

December 5, 2012

- 8:30 Legal
 - Proposed Consent Order Case 20121016
 - Malpractice guidelines
- 9:00 Formal Hearing Shirley Bryan
- 11:00 Meeting with Robyn Alleman
- 11:30 Board Monthly Call Discussion
- 11:40 Unfinished Business
 - Task Tracker
 - Correspondence
 - Letter from Cristina Faucheux
 - NICU setting question
 - Physical Therapy Residency CEU Proposal
- 12:00 Lunch
- 12:30 Monitoring Disciplined Therapists Report
- 1:30 Investigation Summary Reports (one-on-one meetings)
- 2:00 Adjournment

LOUISIANA PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD

December 4 & 5, 2012 ACCEPTED

Proceedings for the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board, taken in regular session on Wednesday and Thursday, December 4 & 5, 2012, at 104 Fairlane Drive, Lafayette, LA 70507. Jerry Jones, Jr., Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 4. A quorum of members was present. Board members present were: Jerry Jones, Jr., Teresa Maize, Kristina Lounsberry, Al Moreau, III, Donna "Dee" Cochran, and Gerald Leglue. Cheryl Gaudin, Executive Director and George Papale, general counsel to the board were present.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

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

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand for the month of October was \$776,885.16. Receipts for October totaled \$9,488.32 and expenses totaled \$38,137.60.

Discussion was held regarding the CD at Bank of Montgomery maturing on December 27th. Teresa Maize suggested rolling over the CD for the same time period if the interest rate offered is the same or better. The board concurred with Ms Maize.

The proposed budget FY 13/14 was provided for review. Motion was made by Teresa Maize, seconded by Donna "Dee" Cochran; "To accept the proposed budget with changes to legal fees of George Papale, Glenn Ducote, increase to salaries for the third position (investigator) and to add legal fees for the AGs office to cover cases in conflict of interest to the amount of \$15,000." All in favor were Jerry Jones, Jr., Teresa Maize, Donna "Dee" Cochran, Kristina Lounsberry, Al Moreau, III, and Gerald Leglue. No one opposed the motion. Cheryl Gaudin will prepare the budget documents to forward to the appropriate officials.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Cheryl Gaudin forwarded the letter drafted by Kristina Lounsberry to Unitech's three locations by certified mail as requested. Ms Gaudin was instructed to forward the Unitech link to PTA programs directors in the state.

MONITORING DISCIPLINED THERAPISTS

Cheryl Gaudin will contact Anna Smith and request she conduct a monitoring visit with Matthew Slimming and Miles Becnel.

RULES AND REGULATIONS IMPLEMENTATION

NEW BUSINESS

Cheryl Gaudin provided a proposal from Susan Welsh, PT to write an ethics course. The course would be owned by the board, posted on the board website and available to Louisiana licensees free of charge to meet the ethics continuing education requirement for renewal of license. Motion was made by Teresa Maize, seconded by Kristina Lounsberry; "To accept the proposal from Susan Welsh to construct the ethics course for the board with a contract cap of \$10,000. Cheryl Gaudin is authorized to prepare the contract." All in favor were Jerry Jones, Jr., Teresa Maize, Donna "Dee" Cochran, Kristina Lounsberry, Al Moreau, III, and Gerald Leglue.

Proposed meeting dates for 2013 are:

January 16 & 17

February 21, 27 & 28

March 20 & 21

April 24 & 25

May 22 & 23
June 19 & 20
July 24 & 25
August 21 & 22
September 25 & 26
October 23 & 24
December 4 & 5

LEGAL

George Papale presented the proposed Consent Agreement to the board on behalf of Dana Altazan, PTA. Motion was made by Kristina Lounsberry, seconded by Al Moreau, III; "To accept the Consent Order for Dana Altazan, PTA." All in favor were Jerry Jones, Jr., Teresa Maize, Donna "Dee" Cochran, Kristina Lounsberry, Al Moreau, III, and Gerald Leglue. No one opposed the motion.

George Papale and Kristina Lounsberry presented a proposed action plan for processing Medical Malpractice Claims reported to the board. The board discussed and approved the action plan.

The meeting was recessed at 9:30 pm.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:30 am. December 5. A quorum of members was present. Board members present were: Jerry Jones, Jr., Teresa Maize, Al Moreau, III, Donna "Dee" Cochran, Kristina Lounsberry, and Gerald Leglue. Cheryl Gaudin, Executive Director, and George Papale, attorney were present.

A Formal Hearing was conducted regarding licensee Shirley Bryan, PTA. Ms. Bryan did not show up for the hearing, resulting in the hearing being conducted in abstentia.

Robyn Alleman, PT met with the board at the conclusion of her probation time period. Ms Alleman successfully met all terms of her agreement with the board.

CORRESPONDENCE

Cristina Faucheux emailed the board with the following message:

"Thank you very much for the letter of appreciation that you all submitted to Beth Ward regarding the cooperation and communication you all received this legislative session from the LPTA. Beth shared your letter with me during the opening Board meeting at the LPTA State Conference. I truly appreciate all of the the patience, opinions, and suggestions that you all expressed to me as I navigated uncharted territory. Your insight and opinions helped me determine the role and stance that the LPTA should stand on specific issues."

Jessica Marloff, PT asked if a PT working in the NICU setting could assess and introduce/practice bottlefeeding with patients. Can the PT educate mothers on breastfeeding their babies? Donna "Dee" Cochran was assigned the task of contacting Ms Marloff and drafting a response.

Christopher Garcia, PT asked for clarification for clinical instructors providing clinical mentorship for Residency students and obtaining continuing education credit. Teresa Maize was assigned the task of drafting a response to Mr. Garcia.

OTHER BUSINESS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

TASK TRACKER

Teresa Maize provided the Dry Needling Education newsletter article for board review.

Al Moreau, III provided the Direct Access newsletter article for board review.

Donna "Dee" Cochran attempted unsuccessfully to contact Michele Walker, PT by work and home

telephone as well as by the email address listed in her record with the board in order to respond to her question to the board.

Kristina Lounsberry drafted a response to Terese Ford, PT that a physical therapist is required to have a written order to provide treatment. Please see Rule 305. In the provided scenario, the patient would need to resume physical therapy with a stated frequency of 2-4 times/month for pain control as ordered by the physician with records kept accordingly. This would occur regardless of billing. The term "physical medicine" applies to unlicensed personnel working under direct supervision of the physician outside of a physical therapy setting.

Cheryl Gaudin responded to Ashley Thomason, PTA with information on how to report a change in employment, that the board sponsored Ethics course is not yet available, and provide instruction on how to report a change of address.

Cheryl Gaudin responded to Nickie Wolfe, LOTR, Therapy Resource Manager at LHC Group the board determined the face to face template/form provided was acceptable to scan in to the patient record and could be incorporated by reference, however, both the PT and PTA must sign the form.

BOARD MEMBER MONTHLY CALLS

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m
