



State of Louisiana
Department of Health and Hospitals
Louisiana Physical Therapy Board
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April 24, 2013

- 6:30 Call Meeting to order
- 6:35 March Board Meeting Minutes
- 6:45 Reports
 - Chairman's Report
 - Treasurer's Report
 - March 2013 actual vs. budget
 - Securities – March 2013
 - Executive Director's Report
- 7:45 Unfinished Business
 - Task Tracker for March 2013
- 8:30 Monitoring Disciplined Therapists Report
- 9:00 Correspondence
 - CBT Comments

Recess for the evening

April 25, 2013

- 8:30 Meeting with Shelley Sonnier
- 9:00 Meeting with David Watkins
- 9:30 Legal
 - PROPOSED FORM LETTER FOR FOREIGNPHYSICAL THERAPY
- 10:00 New Business
- 11:00 Statutes, Rules and Regulations Issues
 - Rule 171 3rd failure of NPTE requirement
- 11:30 Board Monthly Call Discussion
- 12:00 Adjournment

LOUISIANA PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD

April 24 & 25, 2013

Proceedings for the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board, taken in regular session on Wednesday and Thursday, April 24 & 25, 2013, at 104 Fairlane Drive, Lafayette, LA 70507. Donna "Dee" Cochran, Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 24th. A quorum of members was present. Board members present were: Donna "Dee" Cochran, Jerry Jones, Jr., Teresa Maize, Kristina Lounsberry, Al Moreau, III, and Gerald Leglue. Cheryl Gaudin, Executive Director, George Papale, general counsel and Courtney P. Newman, attorneys were also present.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the March 2013 board meeting were accepted as presented.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand for the month of March was \$823,103.91. Receipts for March totaled \$386,060.50 and expenses totaled \$55,508.61.

Motion was made by Teresa Maize, Seconded by Gerald Leglue, "To open a new 6 month CD at the best rate available." All in favor were Donna "Dee" Cochran, Jerry Jones, Jr., Teresa Maize, Kristina Lounsberry, Al Moreau, III, and Gerald Leglue. No one opposed the motion.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

MONITORING DISCIPLINED THERAPISTS

CORRESPONDENCE

Rhonda Collins, Administrative Assistant from FSBPT provided Computer Based Test comments from La applicants who sat for the NPTE during the first quarter of 2013 for board review. No action is required.

The meeting was recessed at 9:30 pm.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:30 am. April 25th. A quorum of members was present. Board members present were: Donna "Dee" Cochran, Jerry Jones, Jr., Teresa Maize, Kristina Lounsberry, Al Moreau, III, and Gerald Leglue. Cheryl Gaudin, Executive Director, George Papale, general counsel and Courtney P. Newman attorney were present. Guest present was Cristina Fauchaux, LPTA Governmental Affairs.

8:30 am Meeting with Shelley Sonnier – the Board Members met with Shelley Sonnier for an update of the status of practice in the physical therapy field. A lack of communication with Ms. Sonnier prompted the meeting. Ms Sonnier indicated she took a year off of practice but was ready to get back in the field of physical therapy and was beginning the process to find employment. Ms. Sonnier was informed that her Consent Order with the board required up to date contact with the Executive Director.

9:00 am. Meeting with David Watkins – the Board Members met with David Watkins as his one year suspension was ending and he was eligible to reinstate his license under the terms of his Consent Order with the board. Mr. Watkins indicated he was not ready to return to the practice of physical therapy just yet. Mr. Watkins reinstated his license prior to leaving the board office.

STATUTE, RULES, AND REGULATIONS

NEW BUSINESS

LEGAL

George Papale presented a Consent Agreement on behalf of Mary Shanks, PT. Motion was made by Al Moreau, III, seconded by Jerry Jones, Jr., "To accept the Consent Order with Mary Catherine Shanks, PT as presented. All in favor were Donna "Dee" Cochran, Jerry Jones, Jr., Teresa Maize, Kristina Lounsberry, Al Moreau, III, and Gerald Leglue. No one opposed the motion.

Yoel Trenk recruits foreign educated physical therapists to bring to the United States. With the new rule changes, Trenk inquired about the process which included the letter for immigration purposes. The letter for immigration purposes is provided after required documentation has been received but the applicant has not yet applied for and been issued a Social Security Number or legal immigration rights. George Papale prepared a proposed letter for board review. After review of the proposed USCIS letter, the board approved it for use in the application process for applicants educated outside the United States.

OTHER BUSINESS

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS
TASK TRACKER**

Corina Herndon, PTA asked if it is within the scope of practice for a PTA to perform total contact casting and/or serial casting for established patients per POC if trained by the supervising PT. Staff responded to Herndon and included a copy of the declaratory statement from the board website.

Cheryl Gaudin credentialed the appointed Delegate, Alternate Delegate, 2nd Alternate Delegate and Administrator representatives for the FSBPT Annual Meeting.

Cheryl Gaudin responded to Patricia B. Scott, a Louisiana licensee practicing in Arizona requested an extension to obtain the required continuing education to renew her license due the severe medical issues with one of her children. The board granted a three month extension, however, these continuing education hours may not be used toward the requirement for the next renewal period.

BOARD MEMBER MONTHLY CALLS

The meeting was recessed at 11:00 am.
