Wednesday, June 18, 2014

6:00pm  Reports

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT
• Ethics Course to be offered by the Board
• Board Representatives Delivering Subpoenas

TREASURER’S REPORT
• FY2015 Budget Review
• Reinvestment of Securities

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT
• CEU Audit 2014
• Consent Orders and Informal Consent Orders
• New Applicants
• CEUs Approved/Denied

7:00pm  LEGAL REPORT
• FSBPT Annual Meeting: Ethics (Covered Expenses for Travel)
• Telehealth Bill

8:00pm  PSA PRESENTATIONS
• MESH

Thursday, June 19, 2014

8:00am  CORRESPONDENCES
Task Tracker May 2014

9:00am  PSA PRESENTATIONS
• The Russo Group

10:00am  MONITORING CONSENT ORDERS
• Matt Slimming Exit Interview from Probation
• Miles Becnel Exit Interview from Probation

12:00pm  ADJOURNEMENT

*The board will include a Public Comments section to the agenda upon arrival of members of the public.
Proceedings for the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board, taken in regular session on Wednesday June 18, 2014 and Thursday, June 19, 2014, at 104 Fairlane Drive, Lafayette, LA 70507. A quorum of members was present. Board members present were: Chairman Al Moreau, Treasurer/Secretary Danny Landry, Jerry Jones, Jr., Kristina Lounsberry, Elizabeth “Beth” Austin, Dr. Gerald Leglue, and Sue Bartol. Advisory committee members present were Patrick Cook, Althea Jones and Wayne Campbell. Charlotte Martin, Executive Director, George Papale, General Counsel, and Courtney P. Newton, Attorney were also present.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Chairman Moreau introduced newly appointed Advisory Committee member, Althea Jones, PT.

Suggested edits were proposed and approved for the minutes from the board meeting held May 21 and 22, 2014. Charlotte Martin will revise the minutes.

**Chairman’s Report**

Chairman Moreau requested that the board determine if the Ethics Course contract with Susan Welsh should be renewed for fiscal year 2015. The original contract has lapsed and the board has not received deliverables, nor has the board paid Susan Welsh for any work rendered. The board determined that the course will go on hold for now because Ethics courses are offered for free online and the board should focus on the website build as a benefit to licensees at this time.

Chairman Moreau motioned that any board member, advisory member, or investigator for the board, in addition to the board executive director and attorneys may serve, sign and issue subpoenas on behalf of the board. Jerry Jones, Jr. seconded the motion. The board voted and it was unanimously passed.

**Secretary/Treasurer’s Report**

Secretary/Treasurer Landry presented the cash in the bank for the month of May 2014 totaled $354,957.60. He reported that the income for May 2014 totaled $30,078.53 and expenses totaled $69,619.59. Secretary/Treasurer Landry reported that a substantial payment was made to SSA Consultants in the amount of $21,500, which attributed to the large difference in the income/expenses ratio for the month of May 2014. The two Certificates of Deposit at the Bank of Montgomery totaled $712,608.23 at the end of March. The Business Savings account at Chase Bank was $202,503.80.

The board reviewed a draft fiscal year budget created by the Executive Director and to be submitted to the Louisiana Division of Administration. The budget will be reviewed by the Legislative Auditor on July 7, 2014 and will be adopted by the board at the next board meeting.

The CDs invested in the Bank of Montgomery are maturing prior to the July board meeting. Both CDs will be re-invested in the Bank of Montgomery, unless the Executive Director determines that a better rate can be provided by a different bank, while still compounding monthly.
Executive Director’s Report
Charlotte Martin updated the board on the CEU Audit for 2014. George Papale will draft a letter to be sent to non-compliant licensees in accordance with Rule §199.B. The response from the licensees will be brought before the board and disciplinary action will be determined by the board at a future board meeting.

The board accepted the Consent Order signed and notarized by Ryan Roussel. Kristina Lounsberry motioned to accept the consent order for Ryan Roussel. Elizabeth Austin seconded the motion. The board voted and it was unanimously passed.

Charlotte Martin presented the Informal Consent Orders of Todd Rodrigue and Laura Briggs for failure to renew by April 30, 2014. The Informal Consent Orders were ratified by the board.

Charlotte Martin updated the board on licenses issued since the last board meeting. The board approved 25 licenses through reciprocity, 6 new applicants, 2 reinstatements, and 40 provisional licenses. The board discussed two applications that are pending board approval. One was approved and one will be approved, upon receipt of more information requested by the board.

Charlotte Martin updated the board on CEU approvals since the last board meeting. The CEU Committee is made up of Elizabeth Austin and Kristina Lounsberry. Elizabeth approved 12 CEU courses since the last board meeting and Kristina approved 9. Kristina also denied 1 course. The board ratified the approvals and denials of the CEU Committee.

Legal Report
Chairman Moreau requested the legal opinion on whether or not the FSBPT can cover expenses of the board members and staff of the board at the Annual Meeting and other conferences. George Papale responded that it is not a conflict of interest for the board as a dues paying member of the professional organization. Additionally, Rule §119.A allows for the board to accept reimbursement of conference fees and travel expenses as are available generally to organizational members of such organizations.

Courtney Newton updated the board on the Telehealth Bill. Act No. 442 was signed by the Governor and will become effective August 1, 2014. The board will need to create a Rule for Telehealth to create parameters for Telehealth Practice by PT/PTAs in Louisiana. Secretary/Treasurer Landry shared American Physical Therapy Association Telehealth policy language that has recently been adopted at the recent House of Delegates Annual Conference. This language will be reviewed by Attorney Newton in consideration of proposed language in Louisiana Physical Therapy Rule.

PSA Presentation by MESH
Representatives from MESH presented a PSA presentation to the board. The board is to use this information in making a decision on which firm to choose for a contract to launch a PSA in the coming year.

The board meeting broke for recess at 10:30pm.
The board meeting reconvened at 8:00am on Thursday, June 19, 2014. A quorum of members was present. Chairman Al Moreau, Treasurer/Secretary Danny Landry, Kristina Lounsberry, Elizabeth “Beth” Austin, Dr. Gerald Leglue, Jerry Jones, Jr., and Sue Bartol. Advisory committee members present were Patrick Cook, Althea Jones and Wayne Campbell. Charlotte Martin, Executive Director, George Papale, General Counsel, and Courtney P. Newton, Attorney were also present.

**Correspondences**
Emery Desonier, PT, DPT asked questions regarding a PT business plan that she is developing. Kristina Lounsberry will draft a response for the board to review.

Kasey Ware, PT, DPT asked a question regarding PT/PTA treatment. Danny Landry will draft a response for the board to review.

Jessica Marloff, PT asked a question regarding medical terminology and billing. The board agreed on a response and Charlotte Martin will respond.

Robert Montanaro asked a question regarding evaluation and treatment of a minor. The board agreed on a response and Charlotte Martin will respond.

**Task Tracker: May 2014**
Danny Landry shared a response that he drafted for Melissa Brown. The board approved and an official letter will be sent to her from the board.

**PSA Presentation by Russo**
Representatives from Russo presented a PSA presentation to the board. The board is to use this information in making a decision on which firm to choose for a contract to launch a PSA in the coming year.

**Monitoring Consent Orders**
Charlotte Martin reported that monitoring visits have been occurring since the last board meeting and that there is nothing to report at this time regarding non-compliance.

Matt Slimming and Miles Becnel performed separate exit interviews before the board as an end to their probationary period.

**Board Member Monthly Calls**
The board meeting was adjorned at 12:00pm.

**Recap of the Motions Passed**
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