

## **Board of Athletic Trainers Minutes**

**Date:** May 4, 2017

**Time:** 9:00 a.m. CST

**Location:** Poplar Conference Room  
665 Mainstream Drive  
Ground Floor  
Nashville, TN 37243

**Members Present:** Monroe Abram, A.T., Chair  
Helen Binkley, A.T., Ph.D.  
Craig Moorhouse, A.T., Vice Chair

**Member Absent:** Alex Diamond, MD  
Walter Fitzpatrick, Consumer Member

**Staff Present:** Jared Smith, Board Manager  
Tomica Walker, Board Administrator  
Francine Bacca-Chavez, Deputy General Counsel  
Peyton Smith, Assistant General Counsel  
Nichelle Dorroh, Office of Investigations, Disciplinary Coordinator  
Noranda French, Finance Officer

**Staff Absent:** Michael Sobowale, Unit Director

Upon a determination that a quorum was present, the Board meeting was called to order by Mr. Abram at 9:02 a.m.

### **Approval of Minutes**

The Board reviewed the minutes from the Board meeting held on May 4, 2017. After discussion, Mr. Moorhouse made a motion, seconded by Dr. Binkley, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed.

### **Office of General Counsel Report**

Mr. Smith presented the Office of General Counsel (OGC) report as follows:

A. Conflict of Interest

Mr. Smith reminded Board members of the Board's Conflict of Interest Policy. If a member has any personal or financial interest which might appear to be a conflict of interest, whether it relates to a contested case, a rulemaking issue, or any other Board decision, that fact should be shared with the Board so that a decision may be made regarding the need for recusal.

B. Litigation

OGC currently has no open cases pertaining to the Board of Athletic Trainers.

C. Rules

OGC currently has no open cases pertaining to the Board of Athletic Trainers.

**Financial Report**

After introducing herself to the Board as the new Financial Officer, Ms. Noranda French presented the Board's Mid-Year financial report through December 31, 2016. The report reflected total expenditures in the amount of \$38, 219.90 and revenue in the amount of \$60, 077.94 through December 31, 2016. The Board's Mid-Year fiscal year ending December 31, 2016 reflects a total amount of \$53,618.18 in cumulative carryover.

**Investigative/Disciplinary Report**

Nichelle Dorroh presented the Board's investigative/disciplinary report. There are currently five (5) open complaints in the Office of Investigations which are currently scheduled for review. Currently, the office is monitoring five (5) licensees under Board Order. Two (2) licensees are under license revocation and three (3) licensees were sent to the Attorney-General's office for collection of assessed civil penalties.

**Ratifications**

Ms. Binkley made a motion, seconded by Mr. Moorhouse, to approve the following list of new licensees:

**NEW LICENSEES**

Beavers Lesley Christine  
Colello Alexa Rae  
Crawford Victoria Katherine  
Eubanks Ryne Brewer  
Farrell Kristin Mary  
Green Matthew Dylan

Holt Amanda Christine  
Lester Clint Duran  
Mcnulty Michael Brendon  
Mickelson Taylor Lauren  
Mortimore Marcie Marie  
Peterika Sarah Danielle

Raineri Brittany Elizabeth  
Reichardt Brock Ryan David  
Robinson Kelsey Joy  
Rodriguez Carlos  
Sauviac Megan Rose  
Schechterly Kristi Anne  
Schott Courtney Elizabeth  
Stelzer Rachel Ann  
Sullivan Haley Lafaye  
Thicklin Detraives Neville  
Williams Autumn Gene

The motion carried.

Dr. Binkley made a motion, seconded by Mr. Moorhouse, to approve the following list of reinstatements:

REINSTATEMENTS

Green Danielle Rowe  
Matsunaga Shawn Toshio  
Ondrus Alison Lynn

Riley Retta L  
Taylor Amy Elizabeth  
Tucker Kimberly P.

The motion carried.

Ms. Binkley made a motion, seconded by Mr. Moorhouse, to approve the following list of closed files:

CLOSED FILES

Burnett Nicole Ashley  
Heinbaugh Daniel Jeffrey  
Kelly Christian John

Torres Jennefer Jasmin  
Williams Alexandra Nicole

The motion passed.

**Administrative Report**

Ms. Walker, board administrator, presented the administrative report as follows:

A. There are 997 active licensees as of May 4, 2017.

B. Licensure activity for October 29, 2016 through May 1, 2017:

- New licenses—44
- Reinstated licenses—9
- Retired licenses—5
- Renewed licenses— 24 (24 renewed online in April 30, 2017)
- Expired—53

C. Board Vacancies

All positions are currently filled at this time.

**Agreed Citations**

Mr. Jared Smith, Administrative Manager, presented the following Agreed Citations to the Board for review and ratification:

1. **Danielle Rowe Green, AT License #1488-** Ms. Green signed an Agreed Citation for practicing on a lapsed license. After discussion, Mr. Moorhouse made a motion, seconded by Dr. Binkley, to approve the Agreed Citation as presented. The motion carried
2. **Shawn Toshio Matsunaga, AT License #631-** Mr. Matsunaga signed an Agreed Citation for practicing on a lapsed license. After discussion, Mr. Moorhouse made a motion, seconded by Dr. Binkley, to approve the Agreed Citation as presented. The motion carried.

**Old Business**

1. Scope of Practice regarding an Athletic Trainer working in an industrial setting:
  - whether an Athletic Trainer can work in an industrial setting with individuals experiencing musculoskeletal disorders not related to the scope of practice as defined in T.C.A. 63-24-101 without violating the practice act
  - whether a licensed Athletic Trainer trained in first aid can act as a lay first aid provider in the work environment without physician oversight, and without representing themselves as an Athletic Trainer or performing Athletic Training

In follow-up to discussion at the last Board meeting, Jared Smith discussed the Administrative Office's findings from a survey of the surrounding states on the issue of whether Athletic Trainers working in an industrial setting are specifically included in their Practice Acts. Both Arkansas and Mississippi State Boards of Athletic Trainers Rules states that the practice of Athletic Training must be under the care a licensed physician and if performed outside an hospital setting, it must be in a clinic set-up in a facility or out-patient clinical setting. The Mississippi State Board of Athletic Trainers also defines a clinical setting as a hospital department, outpatient facility, or clinic whose primary purpose is sports medicine, rehabilitation or wellness.

Mr. Peyton Smith, Board Advisory Attorney, presented a draft letter in response to the correspondent for Board review and approval. After discussion, Dr. Binkley made a motion, seconded by Mr. Moorhouse, to approve the draft letter as presented for mailing to the correspondent after it has been signed by the Board Chair, Mr. Monroe Abram. The motion carried.

### **New Legislation**

There was no new legislation to present.

### **New Rules Amendments or Policies**

There were no new rules amendments or policies to present.

### **Other Board Business**

License Renewal Grace Period- Mr. Abram, Board Chair made a presentation for the Board to consider whether the Board can add a license renewal grace period to its rules. After discussion, the Board decided not to take any action at this time.

### **Conference Nominations**

#### **A. Board of Certification Athletic Trainer Regulatory Conference**

Dr. Binkley made a motion, seconded by Mr. Moorhouse, to nominate Mr. Abram and a board staff member to attend the Board of Certification Athletic Trainers Regulatory Conference in Omaha, Nebraska on July 14-15, 2017. The motion carried.

#### **B. Council of Licensure, Enforcement & Regulation (CLEAR) Annual Conference**

Mr. Moorhouse made a motion, seconded by Dr. Binkley, to nominate Mr. Peyton Smith to attend the Council of Licensure, Enforcement & Regulation Annual Conference in Denver, Colorado on September 13-16, 2017. The motion carried.

### **Ratification of 2018 Board Meeting Dates**

The Board ratified the 2018 Board meeting dates as follows:

May 3, 2018

November 1, 2018

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, Dr. Binkley moved for adjournment of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Moorhouse. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

**These minutes were approved by the Board at the November 2, 2017 meeting.**