

Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board
Joint Board Meeting
January 5, 2006
9:40 a.m.
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Members

Donna Baker, PT
Jody Benda, AT
Lois Borin, OT
Thomas Caldwell, PT
Martha Cameron, OT
Robert Frampton, PT
Barbara Kraynik, PT
Rebecca LeBron, OT, President
Kurt McClurg, AT, Secretary
Hector Merced, OT
Paul G. Miller, AT
Vincent O'Brien, AT

Members Absent

Raymond Bilecky, PT
John Lombardo, MD
Gary Weiss, Public Member

Staff

Joseph Kirk, Administrative Assistant
Jeffrey Rosa, Executive Director
Stephanie Youst, Executive Secretary

Guests

Hallie Aquilla
Tyler Bowersock
Seth Burke
Jacqueline Chamberlin
Erica Dickinson
Rachel Flynn
Beth Gustafson
Breanna Hagan
Sarah Harrigal
Michael Herbert
Janet Howells
Cindy Kief
Averell Overby
Jennifer Richebachur
Laura Shula
Andrea Spencer
Stephen Sprockett
Dyani Stengel

Legal Consultants

Todd Newkirk, AAG
Steven McGann, AAG (*Absent*)

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Joint Board President, Rebecca LeBron at 9:40 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Lois Borin moved that the September 22, 2005 meeting minutes be approved as submitted. Hector Merced seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Executive Director's Report

The Executive Director presented the following information to the Board:

- The Executive Director informed the Board that the boards and commission consolidation transition team issued its final report to the legislature.
 - The report recommended placing all of the boards and commissions under the Department of Commerce.
 - Senate Bill 222, which was recently introduced, would give all of the boards and commissions their fiscal year 2007 appropriation authority, therefore, eliminating the proposed consolidation.
- The Executive Director informed the Board that the budget is on track with his projections. If all continues as planned, the Executive Director will investigate purchasing a high capacity printer/copier for the Board to assist in printing renewal and license information.
- The Executive Director informed the Board that online renewal is ready. The athletic training renewal, beginning in February 2006, will be the first group to have the ability to renew their license online.
 - The Executive Director informed the Board that the feedback other boards have received about their online renewals have been positive and the majority of the licensees are very happy to have the online option.

- The Executive Director also informed the Board that there are a few boards working to implement online applications. Once they have determined the process and problems, the Executive Director plans to begin working to add online applications for the Board as well.
- The Section discussed the Joint Board legislation.
 - The Physical Therapy Section expressed their concerns to the other members of the Board regarding the changes that have been made to the legislation.
 - One of the changes made to the legislation that is problematic for the Physical Therapy Section is that physical therapy educators will no longer need to be licensed. The Section feels strongly that they are not able to support the legislation because of the changes that Representative Fessler has made to the legislation since its introduction and they are concerned that Representative Fessler does not have the Board's best interests in mind with the changes she is planning to make.
 - The Executive Director informed the Section that Nancy Garland, the executive director of the Ohio Physical Therapy Association, received an email copy of the proposed changes, but he had not received a copy as of today. Ms. Garland indicated that it looked as though sponsor testimony would occur the week of January 9, 2006.
 - Jackie Chamberlin informed the Board that the Ohio Occupational Therapy Association (OOTA) will support the legislation, but only in its original form. Any amendments will have to be reviewed by the OOTA board to determine if they will support the amendments.
 - After discussion, the Board determined that, if Representative Fessler plans to make changes and amendments to the legislation as it was introduced, the Board will no longer support the legislation. The Board instructed the Executive Director to contact Representative Fessler and inform her of their decision.
 - Jeffrey Rosa, on the Board's behalf, will ask Representative Fessler to revert to the original legislation she proposed prior to agreeing to sponsor the joint board legislation.
- The formal Executive Director's report is attached to the minutes.

Special Orders

Joint Board President

- Donna Baker nominated Rebecca LeBron as Joint Board President. Barb Kraynik seconded the nomination.
Action: Kurt McClurg moved to close nominations. Paul Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried.
Action: Marty Cameron moved to unanimously elect Rebecca LeBron as Joint Board President. Robert Frampton seconded the motion. Rebecca LeBron was unanimously elected as Joint Board President.

Joint Board Secretary

- Barb Kraynik nominated Kurt McClurg as Joint Board Secretary. Thomas Caldwell seconded the nomination.
Action: Jody Benda moved to close nominations. Paul Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried.
Action: Robert Frampton moved to unanimously elect Kurt McClurg as Joint Board Secretary. Paul Miller seconded the motion. Kurt McClurg was unanimously elected as Joint Board Secretary.

New Business

Occupational Therapy Section Report

Marty Cameron informed the Joint Board that the Occupational Therapy Section had been busy since the September 22, 2005 meeting. Paul Hoffer resigned his position on the Board, so the Governor will be appointing an occupational therapy assistant to replace him.

Physical Therapy Section Report

Barb Kraynik presented the Physical Therapy Section report. The Section recently revised the education oversight liaison duties and began working to establish standards for re-entry applicants. The Section also held a retreat in December to discuss several issues affecting the practice and licensure in depth.

Athletic Trainers Section Report

Kurt McClurg informed the Joint Board that the Section had reviewed their rules, specifically changing the continuing education rule. He also informed the Board that House Bill 435, which was recently introduced, is looking specifically at the function of athletic trainers in school settings.

Items for the Next Meeting

- Budget Update
- Joint Board Legislation Update
- Board Consolidation Update
- Section Reports
- Executive Director Review Information
- Fiscal Year 2006 Joint Board and Section Accomplishments

Next Meeting

The next Joint Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 11, 2006 at 9:30 a.m.

Action: Donna Baker moved that the meeting be adjourned. Thomas Caldwell seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted
Stephanie Youst

Rebecca LeBron, President
Joint Board

Kurt McClurg, Secretary
Joint Board

Jeffrey M. Rosa
Executive Director

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