



Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board

Joint Board Meeting

June 5, 2020
8:00 AM

Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Members

Mario Baker, PT
Beth Ann Ball, OT –
Trevor Bates, AT (arrived late)
Lynn Busdeker, PT,
Joanne Phillips Estes, OT
Anthony Ganim, PT
Hollie Kozak AT
Gary Lake, AT
Mary Beth Lavey, OTA
Linda Lowes, PT
Jeffrey Sczpanski, AT
Anissa Siefert, OT
Melissa Van Allen, OT
Benjamin Burkam, MD, AT Section

Members Absent

Ron Kleinman
Karen McIntyre

Legal Counsel

Emily Pelfrey, AAG

Mission Statement

The mission of the Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board is to actively promote and protect the health of Ohioans through effective regulation of the professions of occupational therapy, physical therapy, athletic training, orthotics, prosthetics, and pedorthics. Goals to achieve this mission include:

- Ensuring that individuals practicing occupational therapy, physical therapy, athletic training, orthotics, prosthetics, and pedorthics. meet sufficient standards of education, training, competence, and ethics, as defined in the laws and rules governing the profession.
- Investigate and discipline licensees whose practice falls below the minimal standards of care.
- Define and advocate for standards of safe OT, PT, AT, and OPP practice, and ensure that the laws and rules governing the practice accurately reflect current standards.
- Provide information about the licensees of the OTPTAT Board, the Board's functions and operations, and the laws governing the practice of OT, PT, AT, and OPP.
- Achieve and maintain the highest possible levels of organizational efficiency.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Joint Board President Hollie Kozak, at at 8:03 AM.

Approval of Minutes

Action: Lynn Busdeker made a motion that the minutes from the May 14, 2020 meeting be approved as submitted. Second by Mario Baker. Motion passed.

Staff

Melissa Anthony, Executive Director
Jeffery Duvall, Enforcement Division Supervisor
Jan Hills, Executive Assistant
Jaklyn Shucofsky, Paralegal
Debbie Fulk, Licensure
Rosa Avery, Licensure

Guests

David DeLuccia
Alan Kercher
Patti Geary, OPTA
Siobhan Fagan, OATA
Tammy Daulton, OPP Ad. Council
Erin Hofmeyer, PT Section
Timothy McIntire, PT Section
Brian Weaver, OPP Ad. Council
Derek Kinsella, OPP Ad. Council
Chad Miller, PT Section

Discussion of Law and Rule Changes

HB 679- Telehealth

Executive Director Anthony reported that this bill would establish/modify requirements of telehealth services.

House Bill 606/Senate Bill 308

Executive Director Anthony gave a synopsis of intent of this bill which regards civil liberty of service providers in an emergency.

House Bill 484

Executive Director Anthony explained the intention is to amend sections 4755.60 and 4755.62 and to enact section 4755.621 of the Revised Code regarding the practice of athletic training.

Waiver for endorsement applicants

Beth Ann Ball (OPP Liaison to the Joint Board) gave a detailed report to the Joint Board including:

- The issue of a waiver of endorsement applicants was an issue that needed to be addressed.
- A workgroup met to discuss the topic. The members of the workgroup included:
 - Brian Weaver (OPP Council)
 - Derek Kinsella (OPP Council)
 - Dianne Farabi (O&P Association)
 - Beth Ann Ball (OPP liaison to JB)
 - Anissa Siefert (OT Section)
 - Gary Lake (AT Section)
 - Lynn Busdeker (PT Section)
- Executive Director Anthony pulled language from other states to see how this was addressed elsewhere. The workgroup reviewed the language and liked the approach that Texas takes.
- Executive Director Anthony drafted language similar to Texas. The committee reviewed it and commented via email.
- The workgroup felt more detail needs added through the **rule process**, such as a number of years a person should have to have been in practice in order to qualify under this approach, but that kind of detail is best left to rule, in the opinion of most of the committee.

Public comments were made to the Joint Board on the subject at the section meeting.

Action: Lynn Busdeker moved that the Joint Board approve the proposed amendment language on OPP unique qualifications and authorize the Executive Director to seek a legislative vehicle for the change. Second by Beth Ann Ball, Motion passed.

Open Forum

None

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Executive Director Assignments

The Joint Board requested that Executive Director Anthony provide them with legislative updates as they become available.

Adjournment

There being no further business and there is no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 8:38 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Hills

 M.Ed., AT

Hollie Kozak, President
Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy,
and Athletic Trainers Board



Anissa Seifert, Secretary
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Missy Anthony, MPA, Executive Director
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