Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board

Athletic Trainers Section
March 3, 2016
9:00 a.m.

Members Present
Jason Dapore, DO
Brian Hortz, AT, PhD, Acting Chair
Aaron Galpert, AT
Susan Stevens, AT, EdD
Trevor Vessels, Public Member

Legal Counsel
Melissa Wilburn, AAG

Staff
Tony Tanner, Executive Director
Lisa Ratminam, Enforcement Division Supervisor

Members Absent
Kimberly Peer, AT

Guest
Jason Nutter
Kylene Nutter

Call to Order
Brian Hortz, Acting Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:23 a.m.

Approval of Minutes
Action: Brian Hortz moved that the minutes from the January 6, 2016, meeting be approved as submitted. Aaron Galpert seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Discussion of Laws and Rules
None

Administrative Reports
Licensure Applications
Action: Brian Hortz moved that the Athletic Trainers Section ratify, as submitted, the athletic training licenses issued by examination, endorsement, and reinstatement by the Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board from January 6, 2016, through March 3, 2016, taking into account those licenses subject to discipline, surrender, or non-renewal. Aaron Galpert seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Examination Applicants
Moore, James
Slough, Brittany

Endorsement Applicants
Dunkirk, Kirk

Reinstatement Applicants
Pallotta, Michele

Peters, Samantha

Pierson, Grace

Powell, Aaron

True, Joshua

Ray, Amber

Continuing Education Approval
Action: Brian Hortz moved that the Section approve 7 applications for continuing education approval. Jason Dapore seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Event Approval
None
Assistant Attorney General Report
Melissa Wilburn, AAG had no formal report for the Section.

Case Review Liaison Report
Brian Hertz reported that the Enforcement Division opened three new cases and closed zero cases since January 6, 2016 meeting. There are four cases currently open. There are zero active consent agreements.

Enforcement Actions
Brian Hertz recommend that the Section rescind the notice for opportunity for hearing for case number FY16-003 for continuing education audit, as the individual submitted all required continuing education for the CE Audit. Action: Jason Dapore moved that the Section rescind the notice for opportunity for hearing for case number FY16-003 for continuing education audit, as the individual submitted all required continuing education for the CE Audit. Aaron Galpert seconded the motion. Brian Hertz abstained from voting. The motion carried.

Brian Hertz recommend that the Section issue a notice for opportunity for hearing for case number LD16-001 for license denial due to insufficient evidence of rehabilitation. Action: Aaron Galpert moved that the Section issue notice for opportunity for hearing for case number LD16-001 for license denial due to insufficient evidence of rehabilitation. Susan Sevens seconded the motion. Brian Hertz abstained from voting. The motion carried.

Old Business
Rules Renumbering Project
The Section reviewed Sections 4755.60 to 4755.62 and related rules. The Section will forward rules comments to the Board office to track until the upcoming Athletic Trainers Section Retreat.

CE Ethics Guidelines
The Section review Kimberly Peers revisions to the AT request for continuing education approval form which includes instructions for requesting continuing education for ethics education in addition to the approval for the continuing education activity.

Action: Aaron Galpert moved that the Section accept the changes to the Athletic Trainer’s CE request for approval form as submitted. Jason Dapore seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Guidance for Evidence Based Practice
The Section discussed the draft language for the Evidence Based Practice Guideline drafted by Susan Stevens. Action: Aaron Galpert moved that the Section accept the first paragraph of the draft EBP Guidance document for a proposed rule change. Jason Dapore seconded the motion. The motion carried.

New Business
None

Correspondence
1. Nicholas Dimacchia, AT: Mr. Dimacchia asked the Section questions regarding whether athletic trainers need written documentation to permit a student/athlete to resume participation. Reply: It is the position of the Athletic Trainers Section that section 4755.60 of the Revised Code and rule 4755-42-02 of the Administrative Code requires that a referral relationship must exist between a team physician and an athletic trainer for care of that team’s athletes participating in interscholastic, intercollegiate, or professional athletics. Athletic trainers employed by a college, university, high school, or other scholastic institution, as well as professional organizations/clubs function under this team physician/athletic trainer referral relationship. This relationship should include standard operating procedures communicated between the team physician and the athletic trainer, and should include procedures for prevention, recognition, assessment, management, treatment, disposition, and reconditioning of athletic injuries. Such procedures should be followed as outlined with timely referral. It appears, the case described in your question would fall under these standard operating procedures. The athletic trainer should complete his examination of the athlete to determine which procedures should be followed in consultation with the team physician.
2. **Amy Benard, AT:** Ms. Bernard asked the Section questions regarding whether an athletic trainer can administer prescribed medication to an athlete. Reply: While only the administration of topical drugs is within the athletic trainer's scope of practice according to section 4755.60 of the Ohio Revised Code, section 4731.053, *Administrative rules for physician's delegation of medical task*, describes the circumstances in which a licensed physician may delegate the administration of a prescribed medication to an individual who is unlicensed or otherwise specifically authorized to perform the task. It is the physician's responsibility to ensure compliance with the laws and rules pertaining to the delegation. Under section 4755.64 (A)(7) of the Revised Code and rule 4755-41-01 (C)(2) of the Administrative Code, the athletic trainer is responsible for ensuring the delegation is appropriate and within his or her training and expertise. Therefore the following questions should be asked: A. Is the task represented in entry level education and practice? B. Has the practitioner had continuing education/ training to adequately prepare them to perform the task? D. Does this task provide for safety and welfare of the client? This foundation should provide the framework for analyzing and determining if the delegation of this task is in fact appropriate. If the professional can provide supporting evidence that adequately addresses these areas, then the task delegation is considered appropriate. We would also refer you to two documents which will assist you in determining entry-level education and athletic training practice. These documents include the *Role Delineation Study/Practice Analysis, Sixth Edition which identifies the essential knowledge and skills for an entry-level athletic trainer, published by the Board of Certification, Inc.* and can be found at [http://bocac.org/resources/role-delineation-study-practice-analysis](http://bocac.org/resources/role-delineation-study-practice-analysis) and *Athletic Training Education Competencies (5th Edition)* which is published by the National Athletic Trainers Association and recognized by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education as the knowledge, skills an clinical abilities to be mastered by professional program students. It can be found at [http://www.nata.org/education/education-resources](http://www.nata.org/education/education-resources). The Ohio Board of Pharmacy also regulates the administration of prescription medications. To be thorough, I would contact them and ask for an interpretation of their regulations. Their website follows, [https://www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/Default.aspx](https://www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/Default.aspx).

**Ohio Athletic Trainers Association (OATA)**

Brian Hertz informed the Section at OATA is looking at the rules for the renumbering project. The Association is also considering looking at the Board of Certification Role Delineation Practice Analysis 7th Edition and CAATE language to aide in the rule review process.

**Open Forum**

None

**Items for the Next Meeting**

- Rules Renumbering Project
- OATA Presentation Preparation

**Next Meeting Date**

The next regular meeting date of the Athletic Trainers Section is scheduled for Wednesday, May 4, 2016.
Adjournment
There being no further business and no objections. Brian Hertz adjourned the meeting at 11:01 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Moore

Kimberly Peer, AT, Chair
Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board, Athletic Trainers Section

Brian Hertz, AT, PhD, Secretary
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