



Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy,
and Athletic Trainers Board

Joint Board Meeting

May 20, 2021
8:30 AM

Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Members Present

Mario Baker, PT
Beth Ann Ball, OT
Trevor Bates, AT
Joanne Phillips Estes, OT
Anthony Ganim, PT, *President*
Timothy Keck, Public Member
Erin Hofmeyer PT
Gary Lake, AT
Mary Beth Lavey, OTA
Linda Lowes, PT
Jeffrey Sczpanski, AT, *Secretary*
Anissa Siefert, OT, *President Elect*
Melissa Van Allen, OT
Benjamin Burkam, MD
Jennifer Wissinger, PT

Members Absent

Hollie Kozak AT

Legal Counsel

Lindsay Miller, AAG
James Wakley

Staff

Melissa Anthony, Executive Director
Rosa Avery, Licensure
David Day, Paralegal
Jeffery Duvall, Enforcement Division Supervisor
Debbie Fulk, Licensure
Jan Hills, Executive Assistant
Mai Vo, Licensure

Guests

Grace, Student- Gannon University
Timothy McIntire, PT Section
Chad Miller, PT Section
Craig Campbell, PT Section
Karen McIntyre, PT Section

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 Tony Ganim at 8:30 AM.

Approval of Minutes

Action: Erin Hofmeyer moved that the minutes from the January 21, 2021 meeting be approved as submitted. Melissa Van Allen seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Executive Session

Tony Ganim moved that the Board go into executive session to discuss personnel matters related to Compensation. Mario Baker seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The Executive Director called the roll:

Mario Baker
Beth Ann Ball
Trevor Bates
Benjamin Burkam
Joanne Estes
Anthony Ganim
Timothy Keck
Erin Hofmeyer
Gary Lake
Mary Beth Lavey
Linda Lowes
Jeffrey Sczpanski
Anissa Siefert
Melissa Van Allen
Jennifer Wissinger

The Joint Board meeting recessed at 8:45 AM.

The non joint board members of the PT Section were invited to join the executive session.

The Joint Board meeting reconvened 8:51 AM.

Anissa Siefert moved to grant a 3% cost of living salary adjustment to Executive Director retroactive to April 11, 2021. Mario Baker seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Executive Directors Report

- Report given at each section meeting held prior to this meeting.

Discussion of Law and Rule Changes

- *OPP- Unique Qualifications for Licensure*
Discussion held.
Action- Jeff Sczpanski moved that the Executive Director file with the Common Sense Initiative and, pending CSI approval, file and final file with the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review a new rule 4755-63-15 related to orthotics and prosthetics licensure by unique and exceptional qualifications as discussed. Beth Ann Ball seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- *OPP Ethics Rule*
Discussion held.
Action- Jeff Sczpanski moved that the Executive Director distribute for early stakeholder release the OPP Ethical and professional conduct rule 4755-64-01. Trevor Bates seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- House Bill 263 implementation- licensure denials due to past criminal convictions.
Discussion held.
Linda Lowes, Anissa Siefert and Jeff Sczpanski volunteered to work with the Executive Director and the Assistant Attorney General to develop a list of convictions for which a license could be denied.
- House Bill 110- State Budget Bill, appropriations, and language.
Discussion held.

Licensure Applications

Jeff Sczpanski moved that the OTPTAT Board ratify, as submitted, the orthotics, prosthetics, and pedorthics full and temporary licenses issued by examination, reciprocity, and reinstatement, January 22, 2021, through May 20, 2021,

taking into account those licenses subject to discipline, surrender, or non-renewal. Second by Mary Beth Lavey. Motion passed.

Licensed Orthotist by Endorsement- 1

Stacey Renee Richardson

Licensed Prosthetist by Examination- 2

Alexander Nicholas Brenner

Kurt Richard

Rocco

Licensed Prosthetist-Orthotist by Examination- 3

Timothy Arnold

Makenzie LeeAnn Best

Christopher Michael Surface

Licensed Prosthetist-Orthotist by Endorsement- 1

Paul Wilbert Huhta

Jeff Sczpanski moved that the Section grant the application withdrawal request for OPP examination/endorsement/reinstatement applications on file with the Board on May 20, 2021 based on the documentation provided. Second by Mario Baker. Motion passed.

OPP Withdrawals

Leah Amos APP-000436227

Autumn Wright APP-000461046

Enforcement Division

- New” cases opened since the last meeting: 1
- Cases “closed” since last meeting: 0
- Cases “currently open”: 1
- Active consent agreements: 0
- Adjudication orders being monitored: 0

Assistant Attorney General Report

No report

Open Forum

None

Correspondence

None

Old Business

Policies update

Beth Ann Ball made a motion, second by Anissa Siefert that the Board approve the Board’s draft policy and procedure manual for 2021, pending feedback from the bargaining unit. Motion passed.

New Business

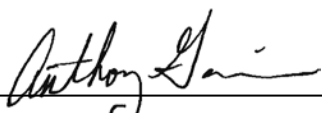
- Occupational Therapy Section Report
Report given.
- Physical Therapy Section Report
Report given.
- Athletic Trainers Section Report
Report given.
- Orthotics, Prosthetics and Pedorthics Advisory Council Report
Report given.

Adjournment

There being no further business and there is no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 9:46 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Hills



Tony Ganim, President
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Jeff Sczpanski, Secretary
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Missy Anthony, MPA, Executive Director
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