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A regular meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners was held at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey, in the Morris Conference Room, 6th Floor, on Tuesday May 25, 2010. The meeting was convened in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. **Karen Wilk, Chairperson of the Board**, called the meeting to order at 9:40 A.M. and a roll call was taken and the following attendance was recorded:

CAROLANNE AARON, P.T.	Excused
BARBARA J. BEHRENS, P.T.A.	Present
JEAN BICKAL, ESQ	Present
MARY B. BROWNE, P.T.	Present
DENNISE KRENCICKI, P.T.	Present
NANCY KIRSCH, P.T.	Present - Arrived at 12:00
CINDY MOORE, P.T.	Present
SUSAN M. QUICK	Excused
KAREN WILK, P.T.	Present

Also present were: **Carmen Rodriguez, Deputy Attorney General and Lisa Affinito, Executive Director**

Members of the public: Nadine Banks; Ben Burton; Christopher Daul, Esq.; Robert DeMarino; Kenneth Mailly and Brian Mason, PT, representative of the APTA-NJ

I. PUBLIC COMMENT

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF APRIL 27, 2010 BOARD MEETING

Upon a motion made by Barbara J. Behrens and seconded by Jean Bickal, the Board voted to accept the minutes of the April 27, 2010 Board meeting as amended. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Continuing Education Course Reviewers' Recommendations

Dennise Krencicki was recused and did not participate in the discussion.

The Board reviewed the recommendations of the course reviewers at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ) for continuing education courses submitted by sponsors for the Board's approval. A motion was made by Barbara J. Behrens and seconded by Cindy Moore to accept the course reviewers' recommendations as presented. The 31 approved courses and the 1 denied course will be posted on the New Jersey State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners' website. The course, *Physical Therapy Ethics Part 2*, sponsored by Health.edu was denied as it did not meet all the requirements set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:39A-9 et seq and the course, "2010 Aquatic Therapy Summit, sponsored by Hydroworx International was withdrawn by the sponsor. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- B. Inquiry from Cortney Hassler, PT
RE: Billing for Physical Therapy Services

Ms. Hassler had a question concerning physicians contracting physical therapists, specifically the billing and payment for services.

The Board will advise Ms. Hassler that it does not have enough information in order to reply to her question.

- C. Inquiry from Shelly Moses, PTA
RE: License Reinstatement

Ms. Moses inquired whether the Board would allow her to reinstate her license with the 30 continuing education credits that she completed from distance learning courses. Ms. Moses also inquired whether the Board would allow her to reinstate her license without paying the past delinquent biennial renewal fees.

A motion was made by Jean Bickal and seconded by Mary Browne to advise Ms. Moses that she must pay all past delinquent biennial renewal fees pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-7.2a and N.J.A.C. 13:39A-5A.3(e). The Board will also advise Ms. Moses that she should submit the continuing education credits that she completed for the Board to determine whether the courses qualify for credit. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- D. Discussion with Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst
RE: Executive Order 2

Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst, met with the Board to discuss Executive Order 2 which requires all State agencies to "identify those regulations and processes that impede responsible economic development...".

A motion was made by Jean Bickal and seconded by Barbara J. Behrens to review N.J.A.C. 13:39A-3.2 Use of personal or other computer to prepare patient records and N.J.A.C. 13:39A-5A.3(d) and (e) for updating or amending in order to comply with Executive Order 2. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- E. Letter from the Kinesiotaping Association
RE: Course "Kinesiotaping Certification: KT1 Fundamentals, KT2 Advanced, KT3 Advanced Specific"

Dennise Krencicki was recused and did not participate in the discussion.

Michelle Marini advised the Board that the approved course, "Kinesiotaping Certification: KT1 Fundamentals, KT2 Advanced, KT3 Advanced Specific" will be given with a new course lecturer, Karen T. Danish, PT. Ms. Marini provided the Board with a copy of Ms. Danish's Curriculum Vitae for their review.

A motion was made by Mary Browne and seconded by Barbara J. Behrens to acknowledge that the qualifications of Karen T. Danish, PT, as the lecturer for the course, "Kinesiotaping Certification: KT1 Fundamentals, KT2 Advanced, KT3 Advanced Specific" were supported by her Curriculum Vitae. The Board approved the substitute lecturer. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- F. Letter from Geraldine M. Banda, Chiropractor
RE: Licensure requirements

Dr. Banda informed the Board that she was interested in becoming a licensed physical therapist and asked the Board if she could be eligible for licensure based on her educational background and experience as a licensed chiropractor.

A motion was made by Dennise Krencicki and seconded by Mary Browne to advise Dr. Banda that she does not meet the educational requirements for licensure pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:39-5.1(a) and therefore would not be eligible for licensure. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Response from Jeannette Wolfe, PTA
RE: Continuing Education

The Board granted Ms. Wolfe an extension to April 1, 2010 to complete the required 30 continuing education credits due to her medical condition.

Ms. Wolfe provided the Board with 30 continuing education credits that she took during the Board's granted extension period. A motion was made by Cindy Moore and seconded by Mary Browne to accept the 30 continuing education credits and consider this matter to be concluded. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

V. FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- A. Bill signed by Governor Chris Christie
 - S936/A2297 Requires consumer complaints to licensing boards of regulated professions to be resolved within 120 days

The Board reviewed a bill signed by Governor Chris Christie which requires consumer complaints to licensing boards of regulated professions to be resolved within 120 days and considered it informational as the bill goes into effect in November of 2010.

B. First Quarter January 1, 2010 - March 31, 2010 Legislative Report

The Board reviewed the first quarter legislative report and considered it informational.

C. New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners
May 12, 2010 Open Board Agenda

The Board reviewed the New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners May 12, 2010 Open Board Agenda and considered it informational.

D. New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners
May 12, 2010 Open Agenda of Disciplinary Matters Pending Conclusion

The Board reviewed the New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners May 12, 2010 Open Agenda of Disciplinary Matters Pending Conclusion and considered it informational.

E. New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners
March 10, 2010 Open Board Minutes

The Board reviewed the New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners March 10, 2010 Open Board Minutes and considered them informational.

F. New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners
March 10, 2010 Open Minutes of Disciplinary Matters Pending Conclusion

The Board reviewed the New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners March 10, 2010 Open Minutes of Disciplinary Matters Pending Conclusion and considered them informational.

G. New Jersey Occupational Therapy Advisory Council
May 13, 2010 Open Session Agenda

The Board reviewed the New Jersey Occupational Therapy Advisory Council's May 13, 2010 Open Session Agenda and considered it informational.

H. Comment Summary Report and Candidate Satisfaction Survey Report
- National Physical Therapy Examination

The Board reviewed the Comment Summary Report and Candidate Satisfaction Survey Report and considered them informational.

Upon a motion made by Barbara J. Behrens and seconded by Cindy Moore, the Board voted to go into Executive Session to discuss the following matters involving investigations of violations of the Board's enabling act, the Uniform Enforcement Act and/or Board regulations.

APPLICATIONS APPROVED BY THE BOARD

1. Adrian Alidio
2. Minerva Banayos
3. Marian M. Corpuz

APPLICATIONS NOT APPROVED BY THE BOARD

1. John Buco
2. Ruby Anne Ablaza
3. Rhaffy Calzada
4. Fe M. Tolentino
5. Elvin Gail Sotto Luyun

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1. Four matters filed with the Board, which require review and additional recommendations with regard to investigations and/or actions.
2. Nine matters where additional information has been submitted to the Board concerning pending investigations.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board returned to Public Session and a motion was made by Barbara J. Behrens and seconded by Nancy Kirsch to adjourn the meeting at 2:30 P.M. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Affinito
Executive Director