Meeting Minutes
BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY & PHYSICAL THERAPY
September 28, 2012
Lucas State Office Building, 5th Floor Conference Room #526
Des Moines, Iowa

Call to Order:
The Meeting was called to order at 9:05am by Denise Behrends, Chair.

Roll Call:
Members Present:
Denise Behrends, OT; Morris Blankespoor, Public Member; Jaclyn Fleming, Public Member; Jenifer Furness, OT; Todd Bradley, PT; Bradley Earp, PT

Members Absent:
Erin Hytrek, PT

Staff Present:
Judy Manning, Board Executive; September Lau, AAG; Barb Huey, Bureau Chief; Barb Christiansen, Administrative Assistant

Review Agenda:

Approval of Minutes:
A motion was made by Bradley to approve the meeting minutes of June 15, 2012 meeting. A second was received from Earp. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

A motion was made by Earp to approve the meeting minutes of July 5, 2012 meeting. A second was received from Bradley. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

Public Comment:
Judy, Denise and Jenifer received questions from the Occupational Therapy Association. Members will address the questions at this time. Questions are regarding administrative rules that were just adopted. Board members reviewed and discussed the questions.

Reports:
Board Executive - Judy received an email telling members that the FSBPT 2013 fee increase for exams has been deferred until 2014. Judy reported on the Executive Order 80 from the Governor's Office. This order requires departments to involve stakeholder groups when noticing

administrative rules. September clarified the orders interpretation for members by stating that Department Director's such as Dr. Miller-Meeks will determine if a stakeholder group would need to be formed. Judy stated that currently when rules changes are recommended by the Board there is a list of stakeholders that get a copy of the changes before they are noticed requesting comment. Judy and Denise attended the annual meeting held in Indianapolis, IN. Judy reported that Ohio is allowing a faxed copy of license verification form from other states. In Texas an applicant can go on line and see what stage their application is in. Texas also is considering not issuing disciplinary action against a licensee with a 1st time DUI. Texas also will accept the FCCPT evaluation of a foreign-trained applicants credentials from another state. Oregon will accept NPTE scores from another state. Montana allows licensees to print their own renewal cards. Oregon is also looking at a new software system and no longer requires a letter of reference for licensure. South Carolina is paperless for board meetings and legislation was passed to simplify the licensure process for military personnel. Uniform application for physical therapy state licensure was discussed and talked about benefits for the board and applicants. Use and abuse of social media presentation – talked about tweeting, stressed that you need a business account for patient security that is separate from your personal account. Group discussed the use of health professional minimum data set. Iowa currently collects a small amount of data from licensees during the renewal process. Kentucky Impaired Practitioner Program provided information on the function of their program for licensees.

Bureau Chief – Barb Huey reported that a check list of required documentation will be included in the Amanda Software System which will also have the ability to send e-mails to individuals informing them what is still needed for licensure. Barb reported on secure e-mail process in the department.

Chair – Denise Behrends highlighted some of the conference items including the discussion on disciplinary matters becoming more prevalent. Talked about the high percent (80%) of US educated individuals who pass the exam compared to the struggle some foreign trained individuals have to pass the exam. Lots of knowledge about the profession can be found on the FSBPT web site. FSBPT will be developing a minimum data set for PT/PTA regarding work force distribution. Dry needling is a hot topic causing 5 schools to add this to their curriculum. There has been a Task Force brought together to begin work on Tele-Health, three states have passed legislation regarding Tele-Health. There is a lot of interest in making the PTA course a four year degree. There are 280 PTA accredited programs and 80% are offered at the community college level.

AAG: September Lau – No report.

New Business:
Katarzyna Luce, Petition for Waiver - foreign trained PT, trained in Poland. Took the TOEFL exam and fell short in the speaking portion of the exam. Needed a 26 but received a 24 in speaking section of exam. Ms. Luce provided the results of the Test of Spoken English exam that she took and passed.

A Motion made by Furness to approve the Petition of Waiver regarding exam scores of Ms. Luce. A second was received from Fleming. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

Jean Mountain –Petition of Waiver. Rules state that if an individual is on inactive status for 5 years or less an OT needs to provide proof of completion of 30 hours of continuing education. September suggested granting a conditional license until she can complete the continuing education hours required. Ms. Mountain will have to complete the 30 hours continuing education by her next renewal. Denise suggested the board grant a conditional waiver and require Ms. Mountain to obtain 12 continuing education hours within the next 6 months. In addition Ms. Mountain will need to complete 30 continuing education hours by her next renewal.

A motion was made by Fleming to grant Ms. Mountain her license with the condition that she complete 12 continuing education hours by March 15, 2013. Ms. Mountain will have to complete the 30 hours before the next renewal period. A second was received from Blakenspoor.
All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

Nicole Essman Ronek, PT Exam - Asking permission to take exam, this will be her 4th attempt. Ms. Ronek reported she has studied with a professor to aid in her success. Ms. Ronek also has taken the PEAT exam but has not received results. Individual could take the PT exam in January 2013.

A motion was made by Furness to approve the applicant to take the PT exam a 4th time in January 2013 after providing the results of the PEAT exam to the board. A second was received from Bradley. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

Complaints:
A motion was made by Bradley to enter into closed session at 11:21am to discuss confidential material related to applications and complaints according to Iowa Code Chapter 21.5(1) a and d. A second was received from Fleming. Roll call taken: Behrends – aye; Furness – aye; Earp – aye; Bradley – aye; Blankespoor – aye; Fleming – aye. Motion carried

A motion was made and seconded to return to open session at 11:45am. Motion carried.

Follow-up from closed session:
A motion was made by Fleming to close case #12-009. A second was received from Earp. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

A motion was made by Earp to close case #10-007. A second was received from Furness. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

A motion was made by Blankespoor to accept the uncontested motion to dismiss Case #11-012. A second was received from Furness. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

A motion was made by Bradley to accept the uncontested motion to dismiss Case #12-001. A second was received from Earp. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

A motion was made by Blankespoor to accept the Settlement Agreement as drafted on Case #09-011. A second was received from Fleming. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

A motion was made by Bradley to accept the Statement of Charges as drafted on Case #12-005. A second was received from Furness. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

A motion was made by Earp to accept Statement of Charges as drafted on Case #12-006. A second was received from Bradley. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

A motion was made by Blankespoor to close Case #12-007. A second was received from Bradley. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

A motion was made by Furness to close Case #12-008. A second was received from Earp. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

A motion was made by Earp to adjourn the meeting at 11:50am. A second was received from Bradley. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.