

**Iowa Board of Physical and Occupational Therapy
Board Meeting
June 17, 2011**

**Lucas State Office Building
5th Floor Board Room 526
Des Moines IA 50319**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m. by Chairperson, Denise Behrends by a roll call vote

MEMBERS PRESENT

Denise Behrends, OT; Erin Hytrek, PT; Bradley Earp, PT; Morris Blankespoor; Jaclyn Fleming.

MEMBERS ABSENT

Todd Bradley, PT; Jennifer Furness, OT.

STAFF PRESENT:

Judy Manning, board executive; Barb Huey, bureau chief; September Lau, AAG; Karla Hoover, licensure specialist.

PUBLIC PRESENT/COMMENT

No public comment

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chair – A motion was made by Erin Hytrek to appoint Denise Behrends to continue to serve as the Chairperson. Motion was seconded by Jackie Fleming. Motion carried unanimously.
Vice Chair – A motion was made by Denise Behrends to appoint Jennifer Furness to serve as the Vice-Chairperson. Motion was seconded by Erin Hytrek. Motion carried unanimously.
Denise Behrends appointed Morry Blankespoor to serve as the public member representative on the discipline committee.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Morry Blankespoor and seconded by Erin Hytrek to approve the minutes of March 18, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

Board Executive – Judy Manning extended a welcome to the three new board members; Bradley Earp, PT, Morry Blankespoor, public member and Jackie Fleming, public member. Bradley and Morry were appointed by the Governor to serve a three-year term and Jackie was appointed to fill a spot left vacant and will serve on the board until 2012.

Bureau Chief - Barb Huey addressed the new software system (AMANDA) that is being developed for the Bureau of Professional Licensure and briefly explained the capabilities of the new system.

Chair- No report.

AAG-September Lau, AAG joined the meeting at 9:26 a.m. and addressed the document titled “Guidelines for Board Members” and explained that the primary role of a board member is to protect the health safety and welfare of the public. September also expressed the importance of board members attending all meetings, being prepared for the meetings and the need for confidentiality when addressing discipline. The Code of Administrative Judicial Conduct was also provided to all board members.

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

A motion was made by Denise and seconded by Jackie to adopt changes to 4.3(5) as follows: Board meetings shall be governed in accordance with Iowa Code chapter 21, ~~and the board’s proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with Robert’s Rules of Order, Revised.~~ Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

The FSBPT Annual Meeting will be held in Charlotte, North Carolina on September 22 - 24. FSBPT will fund a board member to serve as the delegate for the state and the board executive to attend the meeting. The delegate has the authority to vote on issues brought before the delegate assembly. Brad Earp was appointed to serve as the delegate at the FSBPT annual meeting and Judy will attend.

An email message from Carol Rehder was reviewed by the board. Ms. Rehder was questioning if the Board would see a practice conflict or potential violation of individuals involved in a concussion screening/prescreening program utilizing Smart Balance Master. The prescreening would be completed by someone, other than a PT, who has been trained in the procedure. A report of computerized results would determine if the individual was in norms according to previous established criteria. The Board did not feel that it would violate the Board’s rules but suggested that Ms. Rehder review the law that was recently passed concerning the protection of students from concussions and contact the Athletic Training Board for additional input.

Judy explained that dates for fixed date testing have now been determined for the National Physical Therapy Exam (NPTE) for the remainder of 2011 and 2012. Applicants do have to register at least a month ahead of time to take an exam. Next exam will be given on September 7th. In 2012 five dates are scheduled. If an applicant does not pass the exam they will now have to wait for the next testing date. Fixed date testing will be discussed at the FSBPT Annual Meeting. Fixed date testing does not apply to the PTA exam, the PTA exam is still given on demand.

A review of Iowa Code Chapter 148B and IAC 645-206 was completed by the rules committee on June 16th. A recommendation was made by the committee to add a new definition for “occupational therapy practice” to IC chapter 148B and IAC 645-206 and to change the current supervision requirements for occupational therapy assistants. Once the changes have been made Denise and Jenifer will share with the Iowa OT Association for comment.

Old Business

PT to PTA Maximum Delegation – Denise sent a letter to the Iowa PT Association requesting comments on the current PT to PTA maximum ratio for supervision. Comments were provided to the Board office and most responses indicated that the current ratio in the rules that allows a PT to supervise not more than the equivalent of two full-time PTA’s, not to exceed four part-time PTA’s, per calendar day should remain as is. It was the consensus of the Board to leave the rule in place.

Erin made a motion to go into closed session at 10:37 a.m. in accordance with Iowa Code chapter 21.5(1)”)d) to discuss disciplinary cases. Motion was seconded by Brad Earp. Role call vote: Behrends, aye; Hytrek, aye; Earp, aye; Blankespoor, aye; and Fleming, aye.

Erin made a motion to return to open session at 12:15 pm. Brad seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

11-001 – A motion was made by Erin to accept the Combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement. Motion seconded by Brad. Motion carried unanimously.

11-002 - Denise made a motion to file charges. Erin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

09-005 - A motion was made by Denise to close. Erin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

09-007 - A motion was made by Erin to file a Combined Statement Of Charges and Settlement Agreement. Brad seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

09-012 A motion was made by Denise to close. Motion seconded by Jackie. Motion carried unanimously.

Future Board Meetings

September 16, 2011	June 15, 2012
December 16, 2011	September 21, 2012
March 16, 2012	December 21, 2012

Adjournment

A motion was made by Erin to adjourn the meeting at 12:18 p.m. Motion seconded by Brad. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Iowa Board of Physical and Occupational Therapy