# ALABAMA BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY 100 North Union Street, Suite 724 Montgomery, Alabama 36130-5040 Regular Board Meeting September 24, 2015

I. Call to Order: Chairman Wiley Christian called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM at the board's office located at 100 N. Union St. Montgomery, AL. Members present were Christian, Molyneux, McGriff, Adams, Hobbs, and Segal. Also in attendance were Glenn Davis, Executive Director, Matt Bledsoe, Assistant Attorney General, and visitors Ellen Strunk, PT, Diane Clark, PT, and Heather Wells, PT.

**Open Discussion** – Ms. Strunk addressed the board concerning questions about board members serving in policy/decision making positions with other entities (APTA, etc.) which could create a conflict of interest. Ms. Strunk ensured the board that Chad Hobbs' position in the ALPTA was not a policy/decision making position. Legal counsel, Matt Bledsoe, stated the board does not have statutory authority to limit the board members membership in professional organizations. Mr. Hobbs ensured the board he would resign from his position with ALPTA if there was a conflict of interest concern. Board members assured Mr. Hobbs there was no conflict of interest concerns. No board action required or taken.

Board member McGriff stepped out of the meeting at 10:15 AM

#### II. Minutes

A. August 2015 Board Meeting Minutes - Upon motion by Molyneux and second by Adams the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the July 2015 meeting.

Board member McGriff returned to the meeting at 10:20 AM

#### **III.** Reports

A. New Licensees – presented by Executive Director

B. Violations Committee Report - presented by Executive Director

C. Report from the Executive Director – presented by Executive Director

D. Financial Report - presented by Executive Director

E. Communications Committee Report – presented by Executive Director; A discussion followed concerning the vacancy on the committee created when Ms. Jolley resigned her position on the board. Board member Hobbs agreed to serve on the committee. No board action required or taken.

F. Wellness Committee Report – presented by board member Segal; a brief discussion followed concerning the number of mentors who have volunteered to mentor licensees in the Wellness Program. Board member Segal reported we have enough mentors at this time but there is always a need for more volunteers. Executive Director informed the board Dr. Garver,

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Wellness Program director has stated he would like to address the board at its November 2015 meeting.

IV. Correspondence / FYI – The Executive Director reminded the board that members who attend the FSBPT Annual Meeting to be held in Orlando, FL October 15-17, 2015 must submit a request for Governor's approval of out-of-state travel. The online request, which must be completed prior to traveling, can be accomplished on/after September 28, 2015. Staff and members attending will be Davis, Molynuex, and possibly Adams. A brief discussion followed concerning attendees choosing to attend different training sessions at the meeting to maximize the benefit for the board. No board action required or taken.

## V. Unfinished Business

A. The Executive Director provided a report on the topics of discussion at the FSBPT Leadership Issues Forum held in Alexandria, VA August 1-2, 2015. No board action required or taken.

B. Legal counsel Matt Bledsoe notified the board he is nearing completion of review of the board's administrative rules and has identified numerous changes that need to be made. Members Christian and Molyneux volunteered to work with Bledsoe on drafting language for the needed changes in the administrative rules. No board action required or taken.

## VI. New Business

A. Executive Director reported five (5) qualified nominations had been received for the vacant Consumer Member position on the board. Board Chair Christian opened the floor for additional nominations. Board member Molyneux asked when the deadline was for submitting nominations and was informed it was at this time. No additional nominations were made and Christian closed the nominations. The name and bio/resume of the five (5) nominees will be certified to the Governor for appointment.

B. Member Serving in Policy-making Role in the ALAPTA – this item was addressed earlier in the board meeting. No board action required or taken.

C. Proposed Rule Change RE: Direction of PTAs – The board received a request from a licensee to amend Administrative Rule 700-X-3-.03 (a) (3) (11) which limits a PT to directing no more than four licensed physical therapist assistants at one time. After a discussion it was decided to postpone any action on this request until the draft language for administrative rule changes is completed.

D. Continuing Education Requirements – Executive Director Davis requested clarification for the continuing education requirements for those licensees who are licensed by endorsement within one year of graduation from a CAPTE accredited institution. The board stated these licensees must provide proof of continuing education which can be their college course work. No board action required or taken.

E. Continuing Education Course – Executive Director Davis presented information to the board concerning whether a continuing education course submitted by licensees was an acceptable continuing education activity. After a brief discussion and input from co-presenter of the

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course, Dr. Diane Clark, it was determined the course was within the parameters of an acceptable continuing education activity. No board action required or taken.

#### VII. Announcements

- A. Next Regularly Scheduled Meetings: November 19, 2015; January 7, 2016; February 4, 2016; March 3, 2016; April 15, 2016
- IX. ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 12:45 PM

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