ALABAMA BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
100 North Union Street, Suite 724
Montgomery, Alabama 36130-5040
Regular Board Meeting
August 6, 2020

Meeting was held via WebEx digital platform in accordance with Governor’s Emergency Orders.

I. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by Chair Wiley Christian, III at 9:00AM. Board Members present were: Adams, Christian, Hemm, McGriff, Strunk, Zecher, Molyneux, Matt Bledsoe, Assistant Attorney General, Shelia Wright Dopson, Interim Executive Director, and Apri Tucker, ASAI.

Wiley Christian verified the meeting has a quorum.

Open Discussion – Wiley Christian opened the discussion about Mr. Vinzant’s passing away. The board chair suggested that we send a flower with our condolences to Mrs. Vinzant. Alina Adams suggested sending a donation in honor of Mr. Vinzant to his sons’ school. The board chair offered a prayer in honor of Mr. Vinzant.


II. Code Change – Members reviewed the rules change in chapter 700-X-02. The board chair asked if there were any comments or questions. Alina Adams brought up concerns of a contradiction in the new rule about new graduates having to have continuing education. The board discussed the rule and made the decision to make the corrections and submit it to Legislative Review Service. Alina Adams agreed to work on the language and discuss at the next meeting.

III. Contract for Investigator - The board discussed the contract with ARI Investigative Services which expired on May 8, 2020. The board voted to renew the contract. Wiley Christian made the motion and Jonathan Zecher 2nd the motion. Margaret Hemm, Alina Adams, Nathan McGriff, Ellen Strunk, Wiley Christian, Vince Molyneux, and Jonathan Zecher were all in favor. Mrs. Dopson will start the process as soon as possible.

IV. Interim Director Appointment – On 7/28/2020, the Board Chair, Wiley Christian made the decision to place Mrs. Dopson in the Interim Director position. The board voted to solidify the decision. Ellen Strunk made the motion to solidify the Board Chair’s decision and Margaret Hemm 2nd the motion. Vince Molyneux, Margaret Hemm, Nathan McGriff, Alina Adams, Ellen Strunk, Jonathan Zecher, and Wiley Christian were all in favor. The board voted for Mrs. Dopson to remain in this position. Nathan McGriff made the motion and Vince Molyneux 2nd the motion. Vince Molyneux, Margaret Hemm, Ellen Strunk, Jonathan Zecher, Wiley Christian, Nathan McGriff, and Alina Adams all were in favor.
V. **Plan for New Executive Director** – The board discussed the process, the advertising, the interviewing, and the timeline of hiring a new Executive Director. Board member Adams commented that she prefers, if possible, to interview the candidates in person. Mr. Bledsoe brought up the idea of using a large room in one of the RSA towers. The board discussed virtual interviews as well. The board would like to start the process as soon as possible and asked the Interim Director to reach out to State Personnel for guidance. The board formed a committee of three to work on the application process for the new Executive Director. The board agreed that Ellen Strunk, Nathan McGriff, and Jonathan Zecher would work together on this committee. Mrs. Dopson brought up the 2500-dollar bonus offered to Interim Director’s. The board agreed to check into this further through State Personnel.

VI. **Sunset Review** – The board briefly went over the significant issues for the Sunset Review. The Interim Director will send out information via email on the Sunset Prep meeting that will take place on Wednesday, August 19, 2020 and the Sunset Review meeting that will take place on Thursday August 20, 2020.

VII. **Future Meeting** – Ellen Strunk agreed to send out a doodle to all board members in order to set the September board meeting. The meeting was set for September 10, 2020 @ 8:00AM to 10:00AM.

VIII. **Adjourn** - The meeting adjourned at 10:35AM.

Wiley Christian, III
Board Chair