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*Kathy Miller
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August 24, 2024 Meeting Minutes
2024 APTA Alabama Conference
Faulkner University

- I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order in Conference Room A at Faulkner University by Board Chair T-Michael Dougherty at 1:27 PM. Board Members present were T-Michael Dougherty, Robert Fleming, Robin Irwin, Dana Daniel Blake, and Zach Nelson. Not in attendance were members Jonathan Zecher and Margaret Hemm and Assistant Attorney General J. Matt Bledsoe. Also present were Kathy Miller, Executive Director, Angela Warr, Executive Assistant, and Kristi Mullins, Accounting Specialist. One visitor was present – Bob Blake.

A quorum was established.

II. Open Discussion:

A motion was made by Zach Nelson to defer all regular business of the Board, including Open Discussion, until the September 12, 2024 meeting. Dana Daniel Blake seconded the motion. Robin Irwin, Dana Daniel Blake, Robert Fleming, Zach Nelson, and T-Michael Dougherty voted in favor, and none were opposed. The motion passed.

Angela Warr reported that over 1000 licensees had renewed as of Friday, August 23, 2024. Of those renewed, approximately 250 licensees indicated they intended to offer Direct Access. Dana Daniel Blake requested an update on these numbers at the next meeting.


- III. Minutes:** The minutes from the July 11, 2024 meeting were reviewed. One clarification was noted. After a short discussion, a motion to table the acceptance of the July 11, 2024 minutes until the September 12, 2024 meeting for legal counsel review was made by Robin Irwin and seconded by Robert Fleming. Robin Irwin, Dana Daniel Blake, Robert Fleming, Zach Nelson, and T-Michael Dougherty voted in favor, and none were opposed. The motion passed. The minutes for the July 17, 2024 meeting will be reviewed further at the September 12, 2024 meeting.

- IV. Announcements:** The next meeting will be September 12, 2024, at 9:00 AM at the Board's Office.

The meeting recessed at 1:38 PM.

- V. **Board Nominations:** The meeting reconvened with a quorum at 2:02 PM at the APTA Annual Business Meeting. Executive Director Kathy Miller acknowledged the Board Members present as well as ABPT staff. She advised the purpose of the meeting was to vote on nominees for an upcoming PT vacancy on the Board. The nominees could be from Congressional Districts 3, 4, 5, or 7. Kathy Miller advised that ballots were to be distributed to currently licensed PTs and PTAs and for each licensee to choose their top five nominees. Licensees were allowed to make nominations from the floor and write in their choice of nominee if not already listed on the ballot. Ballots were distributed and collected. Ballots were counted and tallied in a separate room after the meeting adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 2:13 PM.



T-Michael Dougherty, Chair