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Kathy Miller
Executive Director

July 9, 2026 Meeting Minutes

The Alabama Board of Physical Therapy met on Thursday, July 9, 2026 at the Board's Office at the RSA Union Building, located at 100 N. Union Street, Suite 724, Montgomery, AL. Notice of the meeting was posted on Secretary of State's website, www.sos.alabama.gov, and the Board's website www.pt.alabama.gov, in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act.

- I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chair T-Michael Dougherty at 9:02 AM. Board Members present were T-Michael Dougherty, Robin Irwin, Zach Nelson, Dhrumil Patel, Margaret Hemm and Dana Daniel Blake. Board Member not present was Robert Fleming. Also present were Kathy Miller, Executive Director, and Kristi Mullins, Accounting Specialist/Recording Secretary.

A quorum was established.

- II. Open Discussion:** None

- III. Minutes:** The minutes from the May 14, 2026, meeting were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes from the May 14, 2026 meeting was made by T-Michael Dougherty and seconded by Zach Nelson. T-Michael Dougherty, Zach Nelson, Robin Irwin, Dhrumil Patel, and Dana Daniel Blake voted in favor, and none opposed. Margaret Hemm abstained.

IV. Reports:

A. Licensee Report: Kathy Miller presented the Licensee Report. See attached Licensee Report.

B. Financial Report: Kristi Mullins presented the Financial Report. See attached Financial Report. A motion to accept the Financial Report as presented was made by Dana Daniel Blake and second by Margaret Hemm. Dana Daniel Blake, Margaret Hemm, T-Michael Dougherty, Robin Irwin, Zach Nelson, Dhrumil Patel voted in favor, and none were opposed.

C. Violations Committee Report:

Kathy Miller presented the recommendations of the Violation Committee.

2026-06 – VC recommends no probable cause.

2026-07 – VC recommends no probable cause.

2026-09 – VC recommends no probable cause.

2026-10 – VC recommends no probable cause.

2026-11 – VC recommends no probable cause.

Dana Daniel Blake moved to accept the recommendations of the Violation Committee and Robin Irwin seconded the motion. Dana Daniel Blake, Robin Irwin, Zach Nelson and Dhrumil Patel voted in favor, and none were opposed. T-Michael Dougherty and Margaret Hemm abstained from voting.

D. Executive Director Report: Kathy Miller Presented the Executive Director’s Report. See attached Executive Director update.

E. Wellness Report: Zach Nelson presented the Wellness Report. See attached Wellness Report.

V. Unfinished Business:

A. Direct Access: T-Micheal Dougherty relayed nothing to discuss until later. Tabled until next Legislative Session.

B. Scholarship: Tabled indefinitely.

C. Telehealth: T-Michael Dougherty stated that Hinge Health appears to be following the Practice Act. A discussion was held regarding if there may be a Direct Access issue.

VI. New Business:

A. Newsletter: Newsletter will mostly be about renewals. T-Michael Dougherty will write an article regarding Dana Daniels Blake.

B. Executive Director Annual Review: T-Michael Dougherty Recommends a 2-step raise. Margaret Hemm made a motion to accept the recommendation, and Robin Irwin seconded the motion. Margaret Hemm, T-Michael Dougherty, Robin Irwin, Dana Daniel Blake, Dhrumil Patel and Zach Nelson voted in favor, none were opposed.

VII. Announcements:

The next regularly scheduled Board Meeting will be September 10, 2026, at 9:00 AM at the Board Office.

The meeting adjourned at 10:12 AM.

T-Michael Dougherty

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Chair

Kristi Mullins

Submitted by: Kristi Mullins

Recording Secretary on September 10, 2026