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**REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 25, 2020**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mark Cornwall, PT PHD, FAPTA, President  
Peggy Hunter, PTA, CLT; Professional Member  
Michael S. Clinton, CPA; Public Member  
Karen Bustillo, PT, DPT, OCS, CLT, Secretary  
Nushka Remec, PT, MS, PCS; Vice President  
Joshua Greer, Public Member  
Kelly King, PT, DPT, Professional Member

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT:** Mona Baskin, Assistant Attorney General

**BOARD STAFF PRESENT IN PERSON:** Karen Donahue, PT, DPT, Executive Director  
Monica Crowley, Licensing Administrator  
Veronica Cardoza, Administrative Services Officer  
Mindy Richardson, PT, Investigator  
Michael Balbarin PT, Investigator

**1) CALL TO ORDER – 8:30 A.M.;** Dr. Cornwall called the meeting to order at 8:33 A.M. (A recording of the meeting is available through the Board Office)

Roll Call – The following Board Members were present: Dr. Cornwall, Ms. Hunter, Dr. King, Mr. Clinton, Dr. Bustillo, Ms. Remec, Mr. Greer and Dr. King

**2) Review and Approval of Draft Minutes**  
A) January 28, 2020 Regular Session Meeting Minutes

The Board reviewed and discussed the above minutes.

Ms. Remec moved the Board to approve the January 28, 2020 Regular Session Meeting Minutes. Ms. Hunter seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X	X		X	X	X	X

Nay							
Recused							
Abstained			X				
Absent							

**B) January 28, 2020 Executive Session Meeting Minutes-A**

The Board reviewed and discussed the above minutes.

Ms. Remec moved the Board to approve the January 28, 2020 Executive Session Meeting Minutes-A with the suggested changes. Dr. Bustillo seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X	X		X	X	X	X
Nay							
Recused							
Abstained			X				
Absent							

**C) January 28, 2020 Executive Session Meeting Minutes-B**

The Board reviewed and discussed the above minutes.

Ms. Remec moved the Board to approve the January 28, 2020 Executive Session Meeting Minutes-B with the suggested changes. Dr. Bustillo seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X	X		X	X	X	X
Nay							
Recused							
Abstained			X				
Absent							

**3) REVIEW, CONSIDERATION and ACTION**

**A) Applications for Licensure and Certification**

- 1) Review, Consideration and Approval of Applications for Physical Therapist Licensure with Documentation Related to Disclosure on “Personal Information” Section of the

Application.

Hanna Honn

The Board reviewed and discussed the above application.

Mr. Greer moved the Board to approve the above Applications for Physical Therapist Licensure upon Receipt of Passing Scores on the NPTE/AZLAW and Final Transcript. Ms. Hunter seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion carried by roll call

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay							
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

Jeff Posterick

The Board reviewed and discussed the above application.

Dr. King moved the Board to approve the above Applications for Physical Therapist Licensure upon Receipt of Passing Scores on the NPTE/AZLAW and Final Transcript. Ms. Hunter seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay							
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

- 2) Review of and Possible Action on Application for Physical Therapist Licensure from Applicant Requesting ADA Accommodations.
  - A) Jessica Fellers

The Board reviewed and discussed the above application.

Ms. Hunter moved the Board to approve the ADA Accommodations. Dr. Cornwall seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion failed by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye		X					
Nay	X		X	X	X	X	X
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

Mr. Greer moved the Board to table the above application to obtain medical diagnosis from doctor. Mr. Clinton seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay							
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

**5) BOARD BUSINESS AND REPORTS**

B) Review, Discussion and Action:

1) Election of FSBPT Delegate and Alternate Delegate

The Board reviewed and discussed the above agenda item.

Ms. Remec moved the Board to elect Mr. Greer for the FSBPT Delegate and Ms. Hunter as the Alternate Delegate. Mr. Clinton seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay							
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

C) Review, Discussion and Possible Action PT Compact Renewal Requirements:

1) AZ Law Exam

Dr. King moved the Board to require all PT Compact Renewals to retake and successfully pass the AZ Law Exam prior to obtaining the renewal of their PT Compact Privilege. Mr. Greer seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay							
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

Mr. Greer moved the Board to direct Board Staff to draft a Substantive Police Statement regarding the requirement to retake and successfully pass the AZ Law Exam prior to obtaining the renewal of their PT Compact Privilege. Dr. Bustillo seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay							
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

**The Board Recessed from 8:58 A.M. to 9:13 A.M.**

- A) Presentation and Discussion regarding ADA accommodations. Speaker John Hosterman, Chief of Disability and Accessibility Services, Paradigm Testing: (9am -10:30am via zoom meeting)

Unable to connect will Agendize for a future Board Meeting.

**4) COMPLAINTS, HEARINGS, INVESTIGATIONS and COMPLIANCE**

- B) Review, Discussion and Possible Action for Review of Initial Review:
  - 1) Case No. 19-10; Hans Lettner, PT

Mr. Balbarin provided a summary of the case for the Board. Mr. B. alleges that Mr. Lettner provided substandard care during the provision of physical therapy services on June 26, 2018, following a left total hip replacement (L THR). Mr. B. alleges that Mr. Lettner’s actions in not following known hip replacement protocol resulted in the dislocation of Mr. B.’s left total hip replacement performed on May 31, 2018.

Mr. B was present and was not represented by legal counsel.

Ms. B, wife of Mr. B provided an opening statement to the Board. The Board reviewed, discussed the investigation, and asked questions of Mr. and Ms. B.

Mr. Greer moved the Board to forward this case to an Informal Hearing. Ms. Remec seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye			X	X	X	X	X
Nay	X	X					
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

2) Case No. 19-37; Ron Longtin, PTA

Ms. Richardson provided a summary of the case for the Board. The Board opened complaint #19-37 Ron Longtin, PTA after review of complaint #18-17 Daren Povar PT. Board alleges that Mr. Longtin failed to notify Mr. Povar to complete the 4th visit while providing treatment to patient RU under general supervision on 7/12/18.

The Board reviewed and discussed the above case.

Dr. King moved the Board to forward this case to a Formal Hearing. Motion failed for no 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Dr. King moved the Board to forward this case to an Informal Hearing. Mr. Clinton seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion failed by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X	X		X			
Nay			X		X	X	X
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

Mr. Greer moved the Board to issue a Non-Disciplinary Oder to include 12 hours of continuing education in Supervision to be completed within 12 months. Ms. Remec seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion failed by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye		X			X		
Nay	X		X	X		X	X
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

Dr. Cornwall moved the Board to issue a Consent Agreement to include:

**Probation:** The Arizona State Board of Physical Therapy hereby orders that Respondent, holder of Certificate No. PTA-006037, be placed on probation for a period of **twelve (12) months** to commence upon the effective date of this Order with the possibility of early termination. Failure to comply with the terms of probation shall be subject to the Noncompliance term of the Order. The Board orders Respondent to comply with the following terms and conditions of probation:

**Jurisprudence Exam:** Respondent shall take and pass the Arizona Jurisprudence Examination (AZ Law).

**Continuing Education:** Respondent shall take and complete continuing education for a total of 6 hours from the effective date of this order. Respondent shall provide documentation to Board staff that the course(s) were completed within the probation time period, prior to any termination of probation is considered. The continuing education requirement ordered pursuant to this consent agreement shall not be used to satisfy Respondent’s continuing competency requirements for renewal.

**Documentation/Supervision-** Respondent shall complete a minimum of six (6) hours of continuing education specific to documentation/supervision. Respondent shall request preapproval in writing. The course(s) must be preapproved in writing by Board staff and Respondent must provide documentation of completing the course to Board staff upon completion. Board staff will not approve any course that is given online.

If not accept the case will be forward to an Informal Hearing. Dr. Bustillo seconded the motion. Following review and discussion.

Ms. Remec moved the Board enter into Executive Session to obtain legal advice and to review confidential records. Dr. King seconded the motion. Following review and discussion the motion carried.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay							
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

**Executive Session from 9:49 A.M. to 10:12 A.M.**

Following review and discussion the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye		X	X			X	X
Nay	X			X	X		
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

3) Case No. 19-54; Arlene Shi, PT

Ms. Richardson provided a summary of the case for the Board. Complaint #19-54 was opened on November 26, 2019 after review of complaint #19-16 Carl Malmquist, PT (Refer to EXHIBIT 8). The Board alleges that Ms. Shi engaged in substandard care, made misleading/deceptive/untrue or fraudulent representations, aided and/or a better a person who is not licensed or certified in this state and who directly or indirectly performed activities requiring a license or certificate, failed to report to the board any direct knowledge of an unprofessional, incompetent or illegal act, and failing to maintain adequate records.

The Board reviewed, discussed the above case.

Ms. Hunter moved the Board to Dismiss the case. Mr. Greer seconded the motion. Following review and discussion the motion carried by roll call.



Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay							
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

4) Case No. 19-17; Nicolette Owens, PT

Ms. Richardson provided a summary of the case for the Board. On May 21, 2019 Board received complaint. Complaint #18-46 was opened on May 24, 2019. Ms. Gazda alleges substandard care when her father, patient JD, fell on January 24, 2019 while receiving balance training during Physical Therapy with Nicolette Owens, PT.

The Board reviewed, discussed the above case.

Ms. Hunter moved the Board to forward this case to an Informal Hearing and include **A.R.S. §32-2044(20) R4-24-303, A.R.S. §32-2044(13) and A.R.S. §32-2044(14)**. Mr. Greer seconded the motion. Following review and discussion the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay							
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

5) Case No. 19-32; Ralph Morales, PTA

Ms. Richardson provided a summary of the case for the Board. The Board opened complaint #19-32 after review of complaint #18-21 Christopher Martin, PTA. The Board alleges that Mr. Morales engaged in substandard care in the treatment of patient JN, a resident of Royal Oaks.

The Board reviewed, discussed the above case.

Ms. Hunter moved the Board to forward this case to an Informal Hearing. Mr. Greer seconded the motion. Following review and discussion the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay							
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

C) Review, Discussion and Possible Action for Potential Opening of Complaint

1) LH, PTA

The Board review and discussed the above investigation.

Dr. King moved the Board to Take No Action. Dr. Bustillo seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay							
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

A) Review, Discussion and Possible Action Request for Rehearing/Review in the following case:

1) Case No. 18-14; Amy Brannon, PT

Dr. Cornwall provided a review of the proceedings and possible outcomes.

Ms. Brannon was present and was represented by Mr. Nick Meza, Esq. Ms. Brannon, Mr. Meza and Mr. Mark Bina introduced themselves. The Board members and Board staff introduced themselves.

The Board review and discussed the above case.

Mr. Greer moved the to accept the application from Mr. Bina. Mr. Clinton seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay							
Recused							

Abstained							
Absent							

Mr. Bina provided to the Board to the Board. The Board review and discussed the above case and asked questions of Mr. Bina. Mr. Bina provided a closing statement.

The Board deliberated.

Ms. Hunter moved the Board to Deny Request for Rehearing. Ms. Remec seconded the motion.

Following review and discussion, Mr. Greer moved the Board to enter into executive session. Mr. Clinton seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay							
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

**Executive Session from 10:53 A.M. to 11:22 A.M.**

Following review and discussion, the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye		X	X	X	X		X
Nay	X					X	
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

Dr. King moved the Board to Grant Request for Review of the Board Order based on **R-4-24-308(D)(5)**. Dr. Bustillo seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X		X	X		X	X
Nay		X			X		
Recused							

Abstained							
Absent							

Dr. King moved the Board to Modify Board Order #18-14 to a Non-Disciplinary Order to include:

Respondent shall complete eight (8) hours of Board staff pre-approved continuing education hours in the areas of evaluation and intervention of the cervical and thoracic spine to be completed within six months.

Mr. Clinton seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X		X	X	X	X	X
Nay		X					
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

**5) BOARD BUSINESS AND REPORTS**

D) Review and Discussion:

- 1) Applications Submitted February 2020 (as of 2/19/20)
  - a) Applications Submitted 40
    - i. 8 PT by Endorsement
    - ii. 15 PT by Examination
    - iii. 5 PTA by Endorsement
    - iv. 12 PTA by Examination
- 2) PT Licensure/ PTA Certification February 2020 (as of 2/19/20)
  - a) Applications Approved 50
    - i. 3 Business Entity
    - ii. 13 PT by Endorsement
    - iii. 24 PT by Examination
    - iv. 2 PTA by Endorsement
    - v. 6 PTA by Examination
    - vi. 2 PT Universal Recognition

E) Review and Discussion

- 1) January 2020 Financials

The Board reviewed the above agenda items. No action was need or taken.

**6) CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Cynthia Driskell, PT was there representing the AZPTA. Ms. Driskell provided an update on HB3536-Telemedicine. No action was needed or taken.

**7) ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Hunter moved the Board to adjourn. Mr. Clinton seconded the motion. Following review and discussion, the motion carried by roll call.

Vote	Mr. Clinton	Ms. Hunter	Dr. King	Ms. Remec	Mr. Greer	Dr. Cornwall	Dr. Bustillo
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay							
Recused							
Abstained							
Absent							

**Meeting adjourned at 11:32 P.M.**

Prepared by,

Monica Crowley  
Licensing Administrator

Approved by,

Karen Bustillo, PT, DPT, OCS, CLT  
Secretary