



ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
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RULES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Via Google Meet Video Conferencing
Virtual Attendance
APRIL 1, 2024

Committee Members Present: Peg Hiller, PT Chairperson; Karen Bustillo, PT, DPT, CLT; Giovanni Leone, PTA; Lori Bordenave, PT, DPT, PhD; Jim Lynskey, PT, PhD; Blair Packard, PT, MS, FAPTA; Linda Thunn, PT, DPT.

Committee Members Absent: JJ Bercel, PT, DPT; Helene Fearon, PT

Assistant Attorney General Absent: Marc Harris, Assistant Attorney General

Board Staff Present: Judy Chepeus, Executive Director

Board Staff Absent:

RULES COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

- 1) **Call to order:** Ms. Hiller called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. (A recording of the meeting is available on the Board’s website.)
- 2) **Roll Call:** See above
- 3) **Minutes: Review, consideration, and action:**

A. January 30, 2024 Rules Committee Minutes

Ms. Hiller moved, seconded by Dr. Bustillo to APPROVE the January 30, 2024 Rules Committee meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

VOTING	Ms. Hiller	Dr. Bustillo	Mr. Leone	Dr. Bercel	Dr. Bordenave	Dr. Lynskey	Mr. Packard	Dr. Thunn	Ms. Fearon
AYE	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
NAY									

Recused									
Abstained									
Absent				X					X

B. February 12, 2024 Rules Committee Minutes

Ms. Hiller moved, seconded by Dr. Thunn to APPROVE the February 12, 2024 Rules Committee meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

VOTING	Ms. Hiller	Dr. Bustillo	Mr. Leone	Dr. Bercel	Dr. Bordenave	Dr. Lynskey	Mr. Packard	Dr. Thunn	Ms. Fearon
AYE	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
NAY									
Recused									
Abstained									
Absent				X					X

4) Welcome Helene Fearon, PT, newly appointed Committee member

Review, discussion, and possible action regarding the Board’s appointment of Helene Fearon, PT to fill the Committee member vacancy.

Ms. Hiller welcomed Ms. Helene Fearon, PT to the Rules Committee and explained Ms. Fearon had a previously planned flight which prevented her attendance. After the Board’s appointment, Ms. Fearon informed Ms. Hiller that she would review the meeting audio. The addition of Ms. Fearon to specific research teams will be identified at the Committee’s next meeting.

5) Correction to Research Tasks number 6 A.A.C. R4-24-303, Supervision of PT Assistants and aides

Review, discussion, and possible action regarding correction to Research Task group number 6 A.A.C. R4-24-303, Supervision of PT Assistants and aides to include Mr. Packard.

Following review and discussion, it was moved by Ms. Hiller and seconded by Dr. Bordenave to INCLUDE Mr. Packard in the Research Task group number 6 for A.A.C. R4-24-303, Supervision of PT Assistants and aides. The motion passed unanimously.

VOTING	Ms. Hiller	Dr. Bustillo	Mr. Leone	Dr. Bercel	Dr. Bordenave	Dr. Lynskey	Mr. Packard	Dr. Thunn	Ms. Fearon
AYE	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
NAY									
Recused									
Abstained									
Absent				X					X

6) Progress updates from Research Task groups

Review, discussion, and possible action regarding progress updates from each Research Task group.

Committee members provided updates regarding their team research tasks including status, considerations, and preparedness to bring their research forward for detailed committee review and discussion at a future meeting.

7) Research Task number 2 A.A.C. R4-24-101, Definition of function as it relates to functional status
 Review, discussion, and possible action regarding research task number 2; A.A.C. R4-24-101, Definition of function as it relates to functional status.

Mr. Packard and Dr. Thunn provided a summary of their research findings related to the definition of function as it relates to functional status.

Following review and discussion, it was moved by Dr. Bordenave and seconded by Ms. Hiller to adopt the recommendations from task group 2 for Article 1, R4-24-101 Definition of function as it relates to functional status, to refrain from further defining functional status but rely on existing statute and rule language regarding functional limitations and to consider eliminating the term “medical” from medical diagnosis included in R4-24-304(B)(2) for additional future action. The motion passed unanimously.

VOTING	Ms. Hiller	Dr. Bustillo	Mr. Leone	Dr. Bercel	Dr. Bordenave	Dr. Lynskey	Mr. Packard	Dr. Thunn	Ms. Fearon
AYE	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
NAY									
Recused									
Abstained									
Absent				X					X

Dr. Lynskey exited the meeting at 11:04 a.m.

8) Future Meetings and Timelines
 Review, discussion, and possible action regarding the future meeting dates and project timelines.

Following review and discussion it was moved by Dr. Bordenave and seconded by Dr. Bustillo to propose the next potential committee meeting date in May by process of poll.

VOTING	Ms. Hiller	Dr. Bustillo	Mr. Leone	Dr. Bercel	Dr. Bordenave	Dr. Lynskey	Mr. Packard	Dr. Thunn	Ms. Fearon
AYE	X	X	X		X		X	X	
NAY									
Recused									
Abstained									
Absent				X		X			X

9) Future Agenda Items

Discussion, review, and possible adoption for the following research task items:

- 3 - Article 2, R4-24-203 Foreign Educated applicant requirements as it relates to TOEFL, test of English as a foreign language

- 7 - Article 3, R4-24-303 Supervision of student PTs and PTAs
- 10 - Article 3, R4-24-303 Requirement of 2,000 hours of practice under on-site supervision
- 12 - Article 4, R4-24-401 through 403 Continuing competence

10) Adjournment

Mr. Packard moved, seconded by Mr. Leone to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

VOTING	Ms. Hiller	Dr. Bustillo	Mr. Leone	Dr. Bercel	Dr. Bordenave	Dr. Lynskey	Mr. Packard	Dr. Thunn	Ms. Fearon
AYE	X	X	X		X		X	X	
NAY									
Recused									
Abstained									
Absent				X		X			X

Meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

Prepared by



Judy Chepeus
Executive Director

Approved by,

Peg Hiller, PT
Chairperson