

SPECIAL SESSION MEETING MINUTES
November 2, 2005

MEMBERS PRESENT: Helene Fearon, P.T., President
Joni Kalis, P.T., Vice President
Merle Gossman, Secretary
Randy Robbins, Member
Mark Cornwall, P.T., Ph.D., Member

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Heidi Herbst Paakkonen, Executive Director
Peg Hiller, P.T., Investigator
Carol Lopez, Licensing Administrator

CALL TO ORDER – 8:00 a.m.

Ms. Fearon called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

BOARD BUSINESS AND REPORTS

**1. Review of and Possible Action Concerning Physical Therapist Assistant Sunrise
Application Filed by the Arizona Association for Home Care**

Ms. Fearon introduced the agenda item and noted that the Board members had received electronic copies of the first draft position statement consisting of information that had been gleaned from the testimony and comments made during previous public session meetings during which this matter had been discussed. Additionally, the Board members had received a second draft statement that was intended to focus its points on the Board's role of public protection as it relates to the statutes and rules. The Board discussed both drafts and agreed by consensus that the second draft more closely represents the Board's understanding of the issue given the lack of reliable data that exists at this time. The Board directed staff to examine how the number of complaints filed alleging inadequate supervision relates to the total number of complaints received by the Board and incorporate that information into the draft. Ms. Herbst Paakkonen advised the Board that staff would research that data and include it in the document, as well as make other minor corrections in an effort to make some of the sentences more concise without losing their meaning. She will forward the draft to the members of the Board by Thursday,

November 3, 2005 for final review and will ask that the Board members send their comments back to her no later than Friday, November 4, 2005.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 a.m.

Prepared by,

Heidi Herbst Paakkonen
Executive Director

Approved by,

Merle Gossman
Secretary