

**BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
MINUTES**

DATE: August 20, 2015

TIME: 10:00 AM CST

LOCATION: Poplar Conference Room
665 Mainstream Drive, 1st Floor
Nashville, TN 37243

MEMBERS PRESENT: Amy Burba, OT, Chair - Presiding Officer
Anita Mitchell, OT, Secretary
Louis Tucciarone Jr., OT
Marilyn Franklin, OTA

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jewell Davis, Consumer Member

STAFF PRESENT: Michael Sobowale, Board Director
Lakita Taylor, Unit Manager
Zandra Pickett, Board Administrator
Mary Bratton, Assistant General Counsel
Nichelle Dorroh, Office of Investigations

1. Call to Order

With a quorum present, Ms. Burba called the meeting to order at 10:04 AM. Ms. Burba conducted a roll call of all Board and Staff members. Mr. Sobowale introduces the board current attorney Ms. Mary Bratton.

2. Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes of the April 30, 2015 meeting.

Ms. Mitchell commented on the April 30, 2015 meeting minutes and requested that the following corrections be made:

- Election of Officers, replace the word “secretary” with the word “president”
- Correspondence – Extension to 2 year Modality Requirement, replace the word “Tennessee State” with the word “University of Tennessee”

There being no other observations or requests, Ms. Mitchell made a motion, seconded by Ms. Franklin, to accept the minutes of the April 30, 2015 meeting as amended. The motion carried.

3. Ratifications

Ms. Mitchell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tucciarone Jr., to ratify the following list of newly-licensed occupational therapists, including occupational therapists with modalities, newly-licensed occupational therapy assistants, reinstatements and closed applications:

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS

ABT ANNE MICHELLE	LOUIS KEMBA
BINNEY MARIA	MCCOY LAUREN
BUNGER KACEY	MCGINN O'NEILL
BUTTERWORTH KATHRYN	MERKT KATHLEEN A
BYRNE M JOAN	MILLER CAITLIN
CANCLINI BREANNA	MNICH TRACI LEIGH
CARROLL MEGAN LYNN	MOORE EMILY CHRISTINE
CARTER SAMANTHA SWAFFORD	MORSE VIRGINIA ADAIR
CASHION ASHLEE DAWN	NETHERLAND WILLIAM
CROTWELL BETH ANNE	ORGAIN JEFF WAYNE
DAY ASHLEY AUTUMN	OVERFORS CHRISTA
DILLINGER ASHLEY LYNN	PETERSON BROOKE
DISNEY-BURNS JULIA DAWN	POUNDERS CODY LEWIS
ELDER RACHEL ANN	RAHHAL ELIZABETH
ELROD EMILY ANN	RIDENOUR JOYCE
EVANS ALEXANDRIA	ROBERTS WARREN
FARLEY KIMBERLY	SAWYER ELISABETH
FLETCHER KAYLEN RHEA	SHIREY SUZANNE
FRASER PETER MORRISN	SMITH CORI LINN
GILLEY MORGAN	STANLEY REBECCA
GOLDMAN REBECCA	STEPHAN BONNIE KAY
GRECCO CLAIRE ELAINE	TEAGUE DANIEL WAYNE
GURCHIEK JULIE	THOMAS HOLLY ARIZA
HACKATHORNE JESSICA WANK	TINCH TARA
HARPER JANA E	TRIMBLE BRANDON
HARPER TARA	WILLIAMSON MICHAEL
HOLCOMB JULIA RANELLE	WUSSOW TRACY
KIMBERLY DANA HANSEN	WYLIE LAURA DAWN
LAMA NIMA GONCHHU	YOUNG SUSAN BETH
LAMBERT JESSICA LYNN	ZEHR ASHLEY EDITH
LEHNER MARK TODD	DANIEL MARTHA
CARROLL MEGAN	AGUILAR ELVIRA

CLARK MAMIE GWEN
DUNPHY NANCY MARIE
GRONECK MADISON C.
LOPEZ KATHRYN
RONEY OLIVIA KATHLEEN
SPRINGER SARAH KATHLEEN
WOHLERS NICOLE PATRICE

DOWNEN THOMAS
GEIB TERESA A.
HARPE ERICA
MERRICK JILL DIANE
SMITH CARY ELIZABETH
ST. LAURENT JAMIE KAREN

REINSTATEMENTS: OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS

DEAN JOAN D.
TRENTHAM LISA ANN
CLARK JULIA FRANCES
WHEELER KRISTI ROSE

MATESIC DARLENE A.
WEDDINGTON JOSHUA MICHAEL
PORTER EBONY DELSHUN

MODALITY: OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS

AHLFELD REBECCA
EVANS JACLYN
LINDSEY KATHERINE
SELLERS SARAH
WILLIAMS KIMBERLY

BEACH JOSEPH
JENKINS TIMOTHY
PEARSON ADRIANNE
THOMAS AARON
WOODARD LINDLEY

CLOSED APPLICATION: OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS

BASSETT MICHAEL CLAIBORNE

RAYMOND NADINE NICHELLE

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS ASSISTANT

ADAMS SARAH FRANCES
AGOLD TERRI
ALLSMAN AMATI LEEANN
ARNOLD JERRY
BLACK KIMBERLY D
BLACKERBY MERITTA K
BOYD DENNI LARAE
BRADLEY ASHLEY
CALES DANIEL SCOTT

LOPEZ KATHLEEN
LOYD LAUREEN
MALIGA RENEE
MAPLES ASHLEY JEAN
NEMETH NICOLE
OWENS SANDRA L
PANKO ANN MARIE
RAVEN KRISTIN
REMLINGTON SANDRA

CAMPBELL CADEY LAUREN
CARTER HAVEN R
COKER AMY NOEL
CRISWELL CARLI SUE
DOUGLASS KELLY N.
EAVES HERMAN
FAIN TERESA
GALLIMORE ELESIA MARIE
GRADY MELISSA ANN
HOGAN AUBREY
HUEHNER ELISE MARIE
ISHAM JENNIFER
JENNINGS JOSEF T
JOHNS PHYLLIS
JOHNSON-CLARK TONYA RENEE
JONES NICOLE
KELLY AMANDA RENEE
LAY GINGER
JACOBS KRISTEN LEIGH
HILL ERIKKA KIRSTEN
BELITOIU ANA MARIA
MOORE AMI

RIGSBY LASHEA
ROBINSON LYNN
RODGERS JENNIFER B
SEVIER-HUNT AMBER
STARNES ERRICKA
TAYLOR LEIGH
TAYLOR CASSIE
TAYLOR MELISSA S.
TEMPLETON JOHNACA
TRAVIS DANIEL
TURNER ANDREA
TURSAM JILL LYNN
USOVA NADEZHDA
WATSON LYNN
WELDEN LAUREN
WILLIAMS MARIE
WILSON CONNIE F
GENNETT MARIE
CRAVENS JENNIFER LEANN
HUDGENS KELLIE
RAASCH MARSHA KAY
WOOD-HARMEILING COURTNEY

REINSTATEMENTS: OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS ASSISTANT

MARTIN LORI G.

MODALITY: OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS ASSISTANT

CLAY JENNIFER
CLEMONS PRISCILLA
DAVIDSON AMANDA
DEMBINSKI TERI

JANSSEN CYNTHIA
JONES SANDRA
PEPPERS MICAH

CLOSED APPLICATION: OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS ASSISTANT

BROOKS GEORGINA
REED TAMMY CASSANDRA

KILGORE MICHELLE
RIEDY SIERRA ELLEN

4. Office of General Counsel Report

Ms. Bratton discussed the Conflict of Interest policy. She presented the following OGC report:

A. Litigation

Currently have six (6) pending cases.

B. Rules

There are no pending rules for presentation.

5. Investigation and Disciplinary Reports

Ms. Nichelle Dorroh, Disciplinary Coordinator, presented the report from the Office of Investigations. There are currently two (2) complaint cases for occupational therapist and one (1) for occupational therapist assistant. There are four (4) currently being monitored and one (1) has been cleared.

6. TnPAP Report

Mr. Michael Harkreader, Executive Director, TnPAP, presented the report for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. There is one (1) practitioner being monitored at this time, which started July 22, 2015.

7. Administrative Report

Zandra Pickett, Board Administrator, presented the Administrative report. Currently there are 2466 active Occupational Therapists and 1301 active Occupational Therapy Assistant licenses as of August 6, 2015.

**LICENSURE STATUS TOTALS FOR THE MONTHS OF
APRIL 24, 2014 THROUGH AUGUST 18, 2015**

Occupational Therapists	
New Applications Received - 92	
New Licenses Issued – 77	Renewal Total- 320
Reinstatements – 7	Online Renewals- 254
Licenses Retired - 3	Paper Renewals- 66
Failed to Renew/Expired - 45	

Occupational Therapy
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Occupational Therapist Assistants	
New Applications Received -78	
New Licenses Issued - 62	Renewal Total- 196
Reinstatements - 2	Online Renewals- 152
Licenses Retired - 3	Paper Renewals- 44
Failed to Renew/Expired - 31	

For this reporting period, online renewals for Occupational Therapists constituted a usage rate of 79 %. For Occupational Therapist Assistants, online renewals constituted a usage rate of 78 %.

TSAC/CHILD SUPPORT ORDERS

For this reporting period, there was one (1) Occupational Therapists Assistant whose license was suspended for having been issued a Child Support Default Order by Tennessee Department of Human services. The license suspension had since been lifted after compliance.

CE AUDIT

For this reporting period, 51 Occupational Therapists audited were 88% compliant and 25 Occupational Therapy Assistants audited were 80% compliant.

BOARD MEMBERS

Currently, we have one (1) vacancy for the consumer member position on the Board.

2016 Meeting Dates

The 2016 Board Meeting dates have been set as follows:

March 17, 2016
 June 16, 2016
 September 15, 2016
 December 15, 2016

Ms. Franklin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Mitchell, to ratify 2016 Board Meeting dates. The motion carried.

8. Correspondence

A. Scope of practice for Occupational Therapy Assistants in TN

Ms. Sharon Anderson seeks information and clarification from TN Board of Occupational Therapy on a COTA ability to contact MD office seeking orders for medical equipment and devices and reference in the rules to the general the scope of practice under the supervision of a licensed OT. Upon discussion and review of the

correspondence, the board requested an informal opinion from the board consultant.

B. Request for Wavier to the Rule on Modality

Mrs. Dinah Ramsey requests a waiver to the rule on modality. Upon discussion and review of the correspondence from Mrs. Ramsey, a motion was made by Ms. Mitchell and seconded by Ms. Franklin to deny the request for a waiver and application, due to her current application is incomplete. The motion carried.

9. Adjournment

There being no other business or further discussions, the meeting adjourned at 10:47 AM.

These minutes were ratified by the Board on August 20, 2015.