

**BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
TASK FORCE MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: March 14, 2023

TIME: 2:00 PM CST

LOCATION: WebEx

MEMBERS PRESENT: Allan Adriaanse, Board Chair
Amanda Newbern, Board Secretary
Hollie Simpson, Board Member

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dr. Larry Goings, Board Member
Anita Tisdale, Board member

STAFF PRESENT: Noranda French, Unit Director
Mary V. Bennett, Board Manager
Sabrina Craig-Boyd, Board Administrator 2
Lara Gill, Senior Associate General Counsel, OGC

GUESTS: Cindy DeRuiter Blackwell, TNOTA

Call to Order

A roll call of Board Members was initiated, by Sabrina Craig-Boyd, Board Administrator. With a quorum present, the meeting started at 2:05pm CST.

Items of Discussion

OT Practice Act Revisions-The Board discussed the remaining items in question of the suggested revisions as provided by the TNOTA. Although several items of correction were discussed, there was no voting on any suggested change at this time. Voting was deferred to the April 27, 2023, quarterly board meeting.

Synchronous and Asynchronous CE-The Board discussed clarification of synchronous and asynchronous continuing education courses in the CEU Activity Table. Voting on revisions deferred to April 27, 2023.

Dry Needling Continuing Education-Public comment raised questions regarding Dry Needling of the Upper Limb for TN OT's. As noted by the board attorney, to practice Dry Needling in TN, the licensee must first submit the Dry Needling application and the appropriate documentation of education. The application process is modeled after the application process for Physical Agent Modalities.

With no further items to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 3:25pm CST.

THESE MINUTES WERE RATIFIED AT THE AUGUST 10, 2023 BOARD MEETING.