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Physical Therapy Licensure Board

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Board Meeting Minutes of 5/11/2023

Board Members Present: Craig L Esplin, PT – Chair
Jonathan Bird, PT
Mendee Henkey, PTA
Deanna Dye, PT

Division Staff: Katie Stuart, Executive Officer
Russell Spencer, General Counsel
Madyson Crea, Board Support Specialist

Board Members Absent: Gladys Schroeder, Public Member

Others Present: Josh Scholer, Division of Financial Management

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Craig L Esplin, PT.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 02/23/2023 and 03/29/2023 minutes. The motion carried.

DIVISION BUSINESS

Financial Update: The Board reviewed the financial report as of 4/10/2023. Ms. Stuart outlined the expenses and addressed the Board's questions concerning quarterly expense fluctuations.

Licensing Information System ITN Update: Ms. Stuart informed the Board that the Division has entered into a contract for their new Licensing Information System. The goal for implementation of the new system is mid-year 2024.

BOARD BUSINESS

Board Members' Terms Review: The Board reviewed their term dates and statutory term limits.

Zero-Based Regulation (ZBR): Ms. Stuart restated the purpose of Zero-Based Regulation. The changes to the rules are designed to eliminate duplicative or outdated requirements, remove unnecessary barriers, and increase the readability of the rule chapter. Ms. Stuart reminded the Board that their purpose is to protect the public while permitting licensees to practice up to their highest level of education, training, and experience.

The Board reviewed the current red line and new clean copy of the rule chapter which led to a discussion on the jurisprudence test. Mr. Scholer informed the Board of a bill, passed in the 2023 Legislative Session. This bill prohibits licensing authorities from establishing a jurisprudence examination.

The Board communicated regarding licensees not being aware of the changes and their ability to comment on the rule chapter. Ms. Stuart will email licensees advising them of the dates they are invited to provide comments and ask questions about the rule changes. The Division will hold two public negotiated rulemaking meetings before the Board votes to go proposed with the new rule chapter.

Ms. Dye informed the Board of licensees' questions concerning dry needling certifications. The Board discussed the current rule, which is still in effect, and requires continuing education for certification renewal. Ms. Stuart advised the Board that they can direct questions to her email or to Board Staff.

The Board reviewed a continuing education guidance document for licensees, which was requested due to the removal of specific language from Rule 250. Continuing Education Requirement.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:02 AM.

The next meeting is on 6/09/2023.