

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS
Teleconference Minutes
December 1, 2014 - 1:00 pm

The Georgia Board of Athletic Trainers met via teleconference Monday, December 1, 2014. The following members were present:

Board Members Present

Mr. Russell Hoff-President
Mr. Tom Bair-Vice President
Dr. Scott Malone-Board Member

Administrative Staff Present

Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Wanda Jaffe, Licensing Supervisor
Tamara Elliott, Board Support Specialist

Attorney General's Office

Patricia Downing, Assistant Attorney General

OPEN SESSION

Call to Order Mr. Hoff established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

Open Session Minutes – September 8, 2014 Teleconference

Mr. Bair motioned, Mr. Hoff seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the September 8, 2014 open session minutes.

Licenses to Ratify August 27, 2014 – November 28, 2014

Mr. Bair motioned, Dr. Malone seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to ratify the list of applicants issued a license.

Correspondence – Dan Schultz – Dry Needling by Athletic Trainers

Mr. Bair motioned, Dr. Malone seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to send a no legal advice letter and refer to the statute relevant to the scope of practice

Discussion – HB284 Return to Play Act

The Board accepts the correspondence as information and instructs staff to place information relevant to the passage of HB284 and reference the new healthcare provider definition.

2015 Board Meeting Dates

Mr. Hoff motioned, Dr. Malone seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the 2015 board meeting dates as amended.

2015 Board Elections Mr. Bair motioned, D. Malone seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following:

1. Chairman Mr. Russell Hoff
2. Vice Chairman Dr. Scott Malone
3. Cognizant Mr. Russell Hoff

Board Chair's Report – R. Hoff

No Report presented

Executive Director's Report – A. Price

The Executive Director presented the Board with statistical data relevant to the processing of applications and complaints/compliance which has occurred since the last meeting. The Board accepts the report as presented.

Miscellaneous

Dr. Malone indicated that he would like to provide his community with information and resources relevant to hospitals in other counties that sponsor and/or fund the salaries of those athletic trainers who work for their local high schools. Mr. Hoff indicated that Gwinnett Medical Center has an outreach athletic training service program as well as Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. Mr. Bair reported that Spalding County also offers a supplement for athletic programs.

Mr. Hoff inquired as to whether or not an athletic trainer employed by the federal government is exempt from licensure in the state of Georgia. Assistant Attorney General Patricia Downing indicated that the Board's practice act does not specifically exempt federal government employees; however, there is a federal law of pre-emption that may apply and

the Board would also need to consider if the individual is employed by or contracted with the federal government. As a result, Ms. Downing recommended that the Board consider this question on a case by case base.

Dr. Malone motioned, Mr. Bair seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2-(k) (4), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19 (h) (2) & (4) to receive and review information pertaining to Applications, receive the Attorney General’s, Cognizant, and Enforcement Reports. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members Mr. Hoff, Mr. Bair, and Dr. Malone.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Monday, December 1, 2014, Mr. Hoff declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were obtained during Executive Session.

OPEN SESSION

Executive Session Minutes September 8, 2014 Teleconference

Mr. Bair motioned, Mr. Hoff seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the September 8, 2014 executive session minutes.

Attorney General’s Report – Patricia Downing

Ms. Downing reported that there are no pending cases in her office. Dr. Malone motioned, Mr. Bair seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the report as presented.

Applications for Board Review

1. V.G. Mr. Bair motioned, Dr. Malone seconded and the Board voted unanimously to refer the file to Legal Services for Private Consent Agreement for unlicensed practice with a fine of \$100 in accordance with the fine scale. Issue the license upon docketing and receipt of fine.
2. D.Y. Mr. Hoff motioned, Mr. Bair seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to issue the license by reinstatement.

Cognizant’s Report – R. Hoff

Mr. Russ motioned, Mr. Bair seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the report as presented.

1. AT120090 Mr. Russ motioned, Mr. Bair seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to send a certified violation letter to remit payment of fine by December 31, 2014. If the fine is not received prior to the close of business on that date, refer to the Attorney General’s office for suspension or revocation of license.

Adjournment With no further business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00p.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Tamara Elliott, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Wanda Jaffe, Licensing Supervisor & Adrienne Price, Executive Director

Minutes approved on:

March 16, 2015

RUSSELL HOFF

BOARD PRESIDENT

ADRIENNE PRICE

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR