

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY**  
**January 25, 2011**  
**Professional Licensing Board**  
**237 Coliseum Drive**  
**Macon, GA 31217**  
**9:05 a.m.**

The Georgia State Board of Physical Therapy met on **January 25, 2011** for the purpose of conducting business.

**Board Members Present:**

Lola Rosenbaum, D.P.T., President  
John Cowherd, Vice-President  
Emily Garner, P.T.  
Bo Hamil, P.T.  
Charlene Portee, P.T., PhD  
Donald Walsh, P.T.  
Patti Willis, P.T.

**Staff Present:**

Anita O. Martin, Executive Director  
Carol White, Board Support Specialist  
Daniel Strowe, Assistant Attorney General

**Others Present:**

David Brooks  
Vicki Hill Hoffman

**Rules Hearing**

Dr. Rosenbaum called the Rules Hearing to order at 9:05 a.m.

1. Board Rule 490-4-.01 – Renewal and Reinstatement of License and Penalties
2. Board Rule 490-4-.04 – Inactive Status

No Written or verbal comments were given.

490-2-.03 Foreign Educated Applicants was placed on the agenda in error.

The Rules Hearing was adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

**Open Session**

**Dr. Rosenbaum established** that a quorum was present and the meeting that was scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m., was called to order at 9:10a.m.

**Minutes from the November 16, 2010 board meeting:** Dr. Portee motioned to approve the minutes as amended. Mr. Cowherd seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

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**Consider for ratification licenses that have been administratively issued.** Dr. Portee motioned/Ms. Garner seconded and the Board voted to ratify the newly issued licenses.

| <b>License Number</b> | <b>Name</b>                 | <b>License Type</b>          |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| PT010154              | Tailor, Shreya Navinchandra | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010155              | Hudacko, Heather Michelle   | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010156              | Long, Tara Nicole           | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010157              | Piyasena, Ashwini Rode      | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010158              | Bayne, Elizabeth M          | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010159              | Hearn, Jenna Loren          | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010160              | Krakauer, Stephanie Lynn    | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010161              | West, Dillon James          | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010162              | LeRoy, Ashley Lauren        | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010163              | Davis, Donna Gail           | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010164              | Whitley, Sharon Marie       | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010165              | Roberts, April Dyan         | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010166              | Sechrist, James Nelson      | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010167              | Leonard, April Michelle     | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010168              | Coyne, Lindsay Renee        | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010169              | Lloyd, Nicholle             | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010170              | Humphries, Kimberly Ann     | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010171              | Paxton, Brian S.            | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010172              | Titko, Christine Marie      | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010173              | Glazier, Laura Louise       | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010174              | Wagner, Melissa Lee         | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010175              | Saari, Shawna Lynn          | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010176              | Udofia, Ekop S              | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010177              | Thiagarajan, Sakthi Prabha  | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010178              | Brewer, Toniya Marie        | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010179              | Hebert, Angela Josephine    | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010180              | DeYoung, Anne Libby         | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010181              | Philcox, Lindy Irene        | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010182              | Moundros, Nicole Athena     | Physical Therapist           |
| PT010183              | Langer II, Thomas George    | Physical Therapist           |
| PTA002734             | Daniels, Earl Joseph        | Physical Therapist Assistant |
| PTA002735             | Parker, Shannon Marie       | Physical Therapist Assistant |
| PTA002736             | Hamilton, Janel Brooke      | Physical Therapist Assistant |
| PTA002737             | Middleton, Angela Theresa   | Physical Therapist Assistant |
| PTA002738             | Graff, Chareassa Christine  | Physical Therapist Assistant |
| PTA002739             | Allen, Allison Richmond     | Physical Therapist Assistant |
| PTA002740             | Klock, John Fredrick        | Physical Therapist Assistant |
| PTA002741             | Wilson, Christopher Reshaud | Physical Therapist Assistant |
| PTA002742             | Hill, Assata                | Physical Therapist Assistant |
| PTA002743             | Chavous, Sally Holcombe     | Physical Therapist Assistant |
| PTA002744             | Scott, Clayton William      | Physical Therapist Assistant |

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| PTA002745 | Boan, Carrie Ann    | Physical Therapist Assistant |
| PTA002746 | Clover, Donna Marie | Physical Therapist Assistant |

Reinstatements

|           |                          |                              |
|-----------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| PT003342  | Hergott, Colleen Griffin | Physical Therapist           |
| PTA000913 | Kump, Patricia Murphy    | Physical Therapist Assistant |

**Summary of FSBPT meeting regarding on line administration of Georgia Jurisprudence examination.**

- The Board viewed as informational. To move to the on line administration of the exam, Board Rule 490-4-.02(1)(b) needs to be revised - list the effective date as January 1, 2012.

**Consideration of adoption of Board Rules:**

**Board Rule 490-4-.01 – Renewal and Reinstatement of License and Penalties.**

- Mr. Walsh made a motion to adopt Board Rule 490-4-.01. Mr. Hamil seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Board Rule 490-4-.04 – Inactive Status**

- Mr. Walsh made a motion to adopt Board Rule 490-4-.04. Ms. Willis seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Board Rule 490-2-.03 – Foreign-Educated Applicants**

- Mr. Walsh made a motion to revise Board Rule 490-2-.03 based upon Attorney General Strowe’s memo and send back to the Rules Committee. Mr. Hamil seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Review House Bill 1475**

- Dr. Rosenbaum and Mr. Walsh will write a letter of support for House Bill 1475.

**Letter to Georgia Composite Medical Board**

- The Board viewed as informational.

**Request to lift probation from Scott Tennis – Consent Order Docket number 2009-0962 effective March 25, 2009.**

- Mr. Hamil made a motion to approve. Mr. Walsh seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Charlene Portee – New graduates and license renewals.**

- Dr. Portee queried the Board regarding the CE rule that states that new graduates who pass the examination are exempt from the CE requirements for that year. The Board advised that it would favorably consider a rule variance request for each student who submits a rule variance. Dr. Portee was rescused from the cognizant

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on this vote. Dr. Portee will draft a new Frequently Asked Question and provide at the March 2011 Board meeting.

**Review letter from Gregory A. Page, St John's Health Network**

- Ms. Vicki Hill Hoffman addressed the contents of a January 5, 2011 letter from Gregory A. Page, with the Georgia State Board of Physical Therapy.

**Board Chair Report – Dr. Lola Rosenbaum**

- Dr. Rosenbaum discussed changing the March 2011 meeting date. The Board decided to change the meeting to March 22, 2011.

**Executive Director's Open Session – Ms. Anita Martin**

- Ms. Martin shared a request from Elizabeth W. Alford to release her exam scores to FSBPT. Mr. Walsh made a motion to approve. Mr. Hamil seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Miscellaneous –**

- Letter from Jennifer Cargile – The Board requested Ms. Cargile be notified that the Georgia State Board of Physical Therapy does not have rules or regulations restricting practice as described in her letter; her agency must assure that anyone practicing PT has a Georgia Licensure.
- Dr. Rosenbaum discussed updates needed to the application and website, some of the updates suggested were:
  - Provide a statement that when criminal information is divulged, Board review of the application is required.
  - Encourage applicants to submit all information with the application to help with expediting the application process.
  - Add to the Frequently Asked Questions – What could possibly be delaying my application?

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Cowherd made a motion, Mr. Walsh seconded, and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k), O.C.G.A. 43-1-19(h)(2) & (4), and to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications, investigative reports, and the Assistant Attorney General's report. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Ms. Willis, Ms. Garner, Mr. Hamil, and Dr. Portee. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the Public Session.

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Applications/Licensure:

1. A.E.– Physical Therapist Applicant  
*Board Recommendation:* The Board reviewed the remediation plan and the information provided to date is approved. Before further consideration, the Board requires a clinical application component be added to the remediation. Volunteer observation is required, outline for the Board the specific areas observing. Further advise application to reference the Frequently Asked Questions and the Board rule. Mr. Hamil will review and provide approval between meetings.
2. A.B. – Physical Therapist Assistant  
*Board Recommendation:* The Board voted to approve.
3. A.N.– Physical Therapist Applicant  
*Board Recommendation:* The Board voted to deny.
4. J.M. – Physical Therapist Applicant  
*Board Recommendation:* The Board states applicant must complete 1000 hour traineeship prior to licensure.
5. J.A. – Physical Therapist Assistant Applicant  
*Board Recommendation:* The Board voted to approve with a strong Letter of Concern. Dr. Portee was recused from the vote.
6. L.W. – Physical Therapist Applicant  
*Board Recommendation:* The Board voted the remediation plan is denied; it does not meet the requirements in the rules, policies and FAQ's.
7. M.S. – Physical Therapist Applicant  
*Board Recommendation:* The Board voted to release from traineeship as applicant cannot perform at the level required for acceptable and prevailing care. Staff will write supervisor thanking for taking the appropriate action. No additional information is needed concerning this applicant.
8. D.C.B. – Physical Therapist Applicant  
*Board Recommendation:* The Board voted to approve.

**Cognizant Report – Mr. Don Walsh**

1. PT090017 – The cognizant recommended closing with a Letter of Concern.
2. PT110007 – Case PT10007 was sent to cognizant recommended closing the case as the matter is not within the board's jurisdiction so a meeting was not necessary.

**Attorney General's Report – Mr. Daniel Strowe**

- Mr. Strowe updated to the Board on the status of Civil Action 2010CV192875.
- Mr. Strowe discussed with the Board a case sent to the OIG for them to interview the complainant and representative from the organization concerning whether or not Mr. M. had the authority to use monies for personal use. Mr. Strowe also would like for OIG to interview the respondent as to the

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final outcome and provide a written statement as to the issues that led to these allegations. Dr. Portee was recused from the discussion.

**Open Session**

Ms. Garner motioned, Mr. Walsh seconded and the Board voted to approve the recommendations made during the Executive Session, concerning applications, Cognizant's report and the Attorney General's report.

The next Physical Therapy Board meeting will be March 29, 2011 at the Professional Licensing Board.

There being no further business, Mr. Cowherd motioned; Mr. Walsh seconded and the Board meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by: Carol White, Board Secretary

Reviewed/Edited by: Anita Martin, Executive Director