

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS

The Georgia State Board of Athletic Trainers met on July 13, 2007 via Conference Call.

Members Present:

- Warren Morris, Chair
- Scott Malone, Vice Chair
- Russell Hoff, Cognizant

Staff Present:

- Lisa Durden, Executive Director
- Patricia Downing, Board Attorney
- Lynn Eason, Enforcement

Chairman Morris established that a quorum was present, and called the meeting to order at 9:50 am.

Mr. Hoff moved, Dr. Malone 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. §43-1-19(H)(2)&(4) and O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k)(4) to deliberate on Applications and to receive information on Applications. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board Members Morris, Malone, and Hoff. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Agenda Items:

Minutes: Mr. Hoff moved, Dr. Malone seconded and the Board voted to approve the minutes from the April 25, 2007 meeting.

Proposed Rule Revision to 53-3-.04: After discussion by Ms. Downing and the Board, a motion was made by Mr. Hoff and seconded by Dr. Malone; and the Board voted to proceed with posting the rule. A conference call will be scheduled for August 20, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. to vote on the rule.

Correspondence:

Karen E. Pfeifer, Kennesaw State University Director of Sports Medicine: Board received letter concerning the length of time it takes for the application process. Board directed staff to send response letting her know that if applications are complete, licenses are issued administratively.

Edward Clayton Farr, AT: Board received a letter complaining about his experience with trying to renew his license and the reinstatement process. Board directed staff to consult with Board attorney for direction in this situation.

Lori M Groover - GATA: Board received a letter concerning graduate students and the licensing process. Board directed staff to send a letter stating that if an applicant is BOC certified, then they will need to get a state license to practice in Georgia. Board directed staff to consult with the Board attorney concerning the possibility of an emergency status.

Licenses to Ratify: Mr. Hoff made a motion to approve the newly licensed Athletic Trainers. Mr. Morris seconded the motion, and the Board voted to approve the newly licensed Athletic Trainers.

License Number	Licensee Name	Profession	Issue Date
AT001400	Cowin, Benjamin	Athletic Trainer	04/24/2007
AT001401	Malloy, Brianna D.	Athletic Trainer	05/01/2007
AT001402	Iverson, Leisel E.	Athletic Trainer	05/07/2007
AT001403	Allred, Jeffrey F.	Athletic Trainer	05/21/2007
AT001404	Tolson, Jennifer	Athletic Trainer	05/31/2007
AT001405	Kasmarik, Danielle	Athletic Trainer	05/31/2007
AT001406	Johnson, Tracy N.	Athletic Trainer	06/08/2007
AT001407	Wilkey, Kristen M.	Athletic Trainer	06/08/2007
AT001408	Hawkins, Elizabeth	Athletic Trainer	06/08/2007
AT001409	Demchak, Jaime	Athletic Trainer	06/08/2007
AT001410	Howe, Jennifer D.	Athletic Trainer	06/11/2007
AT001411	Seagraves, Benjamin	Athletic Trainer	06/22/2007
AT001412	Tabilo, Laura E.	Athletic Trainer	07/02/2007
AT001413	Murphy, Robert A.	Athletic Trainer	07/02/2007
AT001414	Miker, Nathan J.	Athletic Trainer	07/03/2007
AT001415	Buckley, Thomas A.	Athletic Trainer	07/03/2007
AT001416	Kim, Ashley Jungeun	Athletic Trainer	07/03/2007
AT001417	Etheridge, Kelley Lyn	Athletic Trainer	07/03/2007
AT001418	Hankins, Amanda M.	Athletic Trainer	07/05/2007

Executive Directors Report:

- Calandra Paschal has resigned her position as the Board Secretary. The job has been posted and we hope to fill it soon.

- **Complaints:**

AT040003 – Letter sent on June 26, 2007, giving her thirty (30) days from receipt of the letter to respond to the complaint (respondent received letter on 06/30/07). Motion made by Mr. Hoff to proceed with a hearing to suspend her license if she does not respond to the letter. Dr. Malone seconded. The Board voted in favor of the motion.

AT040001 – On April 30, 2001, the Board voted to hold this complaint open as pending. No further action has been taken and no further complaints have been received concerning this matter. Mr. Hoff made a motion to close the case; Mr. Morris seconded the motion. The Board voted to close the case with no action.

AT040002 – On April 26, 2007, requests sent to complainants for specific dates and actions observed; no response received thus far. Request sent to employer for copy of

job description; no response received to date. Board directed staff to send a second letter to complainants and to the school superintendent requesting a response.

AT060001 – Per Cognizant, case was closed on February 21, 2006.

AT060002 – Per Cognizant, case was closed on February 21, 2006.

AT060006 – Voluntary Cease and Desist Order was docketed on March 27, 2007. Motion made by Mr. Hoff to close; Mr. Morris seconded the motion. The Board voted to close the case.

- **Applications:**

J.J. H. – Reinstatement application. Mr. Hoff made a motion to approve reinstatement upon receipt of reinstatement fee and other application requirements; Mr. Morris seconded the motion. The Board voted to approve the motion.

R.D.C. – Reinstatement application. Mr. Hoff made a motion to approve reinstatement upon receipt of reinstatement fee and other application requirements; Mr. Morris seconded the motion. The Board voted to approve the motion.

T.H.K. – Reinstatement application. Mr. Hoff made a motion to reinstate the license under a Private Consent Order with appropriate fine and reinstatement fee. Mr. Morris seconded the motion. The Board voted to approve the motion.

J.T.H. – Reinstatement application. Mr. Hoff made a motion to reinstate the license under a Private Consent Order with appropriate fine and reinstatement fee. Mr. Morris seconded the motion. The Board voted to approve the motion.

- Responses received from the Georgia Independent Schools Association and Board of Regents concerning the letter sent to them asking them to relay to all their schools that all Athletic Trainers working in their systems are required to be licensed; these responses indicated that they would comply with the Board's request. No response received from the Georgia High School Association.

Board Policy: After discussion, the Board adopted a new policy to have the Cognizant member review problematic applications as they arise and make administrative decisions concerning those applications in order to expedite the application process. Mr. Morris made a motion to adopt this policy and Mr. Hoff seconded the motion. The Board voted to adopt this policy.

Enforcement Report:

- AT060003 - Mr. Eason reported the findings in this case. Mr. Hoff made a motion to refer the case to the Board attorney for further direction, and to refer the school situation

to the District Attorney's office; Mr. Morris seconded the motion. The Board voted in favor of the motion.

Board Attorney's Report:

- No report given.

Cognizant Report:

- No new complaints have been received.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Warren Morris, Chairman

**Lisa Durden, Executive Director
Professional Licensing Boards Division**

**Minutes Prepared by: Lisa Durden, Executive Director
Reviewed/Edited by: Lisa Durden, Executive Director**

Minutes approved at the August 24, 2007 Board meeting.