

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS

The Georgia State Board of Athletic Trainers met on January 29, 2008 via Conference Call.

Members Present:

- Russell Hoff, Chair
- Dr. Scott Malone, Vice Chair
- Jeff Treadway

Staff Present:

- Lisa Durden, Executive Director
- Patricia Downing, Board Attorney
- Kathleen O'Neal, Board Attorney
- David Higdon, Board Secretary
- Dianne Walker, Applications Specialist

Mr. Hoff established that a quorum was present, and called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

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 Complaints, and to receive information on Applications and Complaints. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board Member Treadway. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Agenda Items:

C.D.C.B.: Mr. Hoff motioned; Mr. Treadway seconded, and the Board voted to **approve** the applicant for initial licensure's request to meet before the Board. Appointment has been granted for February 4, 2008.

Disciplinary Sanctions: Mr. Hoff motioned; Mr. Treadway seconded, and the Board voted to **approve** the fine structure outlined in the August 19, 2005 Board Minutes to apply to both private and public Board Orders.

- The Board voted to review applications depicting unlicensed practice and to issue a public and private reprimand with fine as follow:
 - A. 31 days – up to 3 months - \$100.00
 - B. Over 3 months – up to 1 year - \$500.00
 - C. Over 1 year - \$500.00 plus \$50.00 per month thereafter

Minutes: Mr. Treadway moved; Dr. Malone seconded, and the Board voted to **approve** the minutes from the December 18, 2007 Board Meeting.

Correspondence: Correspondence from Crystal Small regarding how long an Athletic Trainer is required to keep client's medical records. Mr. Hoff motioned; Dr. Malone seconded, and the Board voted to direct Ms. Small to seek legal services as the required amount of time is not directly addressed within the Georgia Athletic Trainers Practice Act.

Rule 53-6-.01 & Rule 53-6-.02: A motion was made by Mr. Hoff and seconded by Dr. Malone, and the Board agreed to adopt Board Rule 53-6-.01 and Board Rule 53-6-.02.

- **53-6-.01 Renewal of License, Continuing Education**

- (1) Athletic trainer licenses expire on June 30th of even numbered years and are renewable for two years upon receipt of a renewal application and renewal fee and upon compliance with the continuing education requirement set forth below.
- (2) To be eligible for renewal, an athletic trainer must have completed, within the preceding two years, at least forty contact hours of continuing education acceptable to the Board. Provided, however, that an athletic trainer who received his license within one year of the renewal date shall not be required to meet the continuing education requirements for that renewal period. Each athletic trainer shall retain proof of attendance of continuing education programs for a period of three years from the date of attendance.
- (3) Athletic trainers will be required to answer questions on their biennial renewal form which establish their compliance with the continuing education requirement. A false statement regarding compliance with the continuing education requirement shall be grounds for revocation or other disciplinary action by the Board.
- (4) The staff of the Board shall make a random selection of the actively licensed athletic trainers for the purpose of auditing their compliance with the continuing education requirements of this chapter. Failure to submit such proof of compliance shall be grounds for revocation or other disciplinary action by the Board.

- **53-6-.02 Late Renewal**

- (1) A license which is renewed between July 1st and September 30th following expiration is subject to a penalty surcharge. (See Fee Schedule.) Failure to renew a license by October 1st of an even year shall have the same effect as revocation. Failure to submit such proof of compliance shall be grounds for revocation or other disciplinary action by the Board.

Licenses to Ratify: Mr. Hoff motioned to approve the newly licensed Athletic Trainers. Dr. Malone seconded the motion, and the Board voted to approve the newly licensed Athletic Trainers (December 18, 2007 – January 29, 2008).

License Number	Name	License Type	Status	Issue Date	Expiration Date
AT001474	Freeman, Amy Nicole	Athletic Trainer	Active	12/21/2007	6/30/2008
AT001475	Liddy, Samantha Ann	Athletic Trainer	Active	1/4/2008	6/30/2008
AT001476	Hamil, John	Athletic Trainer	Active	1/16/2008	6/30/2008
AT001477	Christohper Duncan, Mitchell	Athletic Trainer	Active	1/17/2008	6/30/2008
AT001478	Glenn	Athletic Trainer	Active	1/23/2008	6/30/2008
AT001478	Lee, Hyung Rock	Athletic Trainer	Active	1/23/2008	6/30/2008

Discipline and Cease and Desist Orders: Information from Professional Licensing Boards Legal Services was received and viewed as informational.

Applications:

A.P.G. – Mr. Hoff motioned; Mr. Treadway seconded, and the Board voted to **approve** the application for licensure by Reinstatement.

A.B.C. – Mr. Hoff motioned; Dr. Malone seconded, and the Board voted to **accept** the Consent Order.

A.L.P. – Mr. Hoff motioned; Mr. Treadway seconded, and the Board voted to **accept** signed Consent Order.

R.L.P. – Mr. Hoff motioned; Dr. Malone seconded, and the Board voted to **accept** signed Consent Order.

L.J.E. – Mr. Hoff motioned; Dr. Malone seconded, and the Board voted to **accept** signed Consent Order.

Executive Director's Report:

- **AT080028** - Mr. Hoff motioned; Mr. Treadway seconded, and the Board voted to send a letter to the schools and persons on the list asking that they follow the law with regard to licensure requirements.

Board Attorney's Report:

- No report.

Cognizant Report:

- No report.

Investigation's Report:

- No report.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Russ Hoff, Chairman

Lisa Durden, Executive Director
Professional Licensing Boards Division

Minutes Prepared by: David Higdon, Board Secretary
Reviewed/Edited by: Lisa Durden, Executive Director

Minutes approved at the April 29, 2008 Board meeting.