

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
Rules Committee Zoom Meeting Minutes
Friday, August 6, 2021 – 12:00 p.m.

The Georgia State Board of Occupational Therapy Rules Committee met via Zoom on Friday, August 6, 2021. The following Committee members were present:

Committee Members Present

Robert McClellan, OTR/L, Committee Chair
Pamela Reddick-Collins, OTR/L, Committee Member

Administrative Staff Present

Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Michelle Hornaday, Board Support Specialist

Attorney General's Office

No Assistant Attorney General present.

Administrative Staff Absent

Charlotte Mason, Licensing Supervisor
Megan Doss, Complaints/Compliance Analyst

Visitor Present

Dr. Irma Alvarado, PhD, OT/L, FAOTA, Professor, School of Occupational Therapy, Brenau University

Call to Order Mr. McClellan called the Committee meeting to order at 12:08 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Board Meeting Agenda

The Committee accepted the agenda as presented.

Discussion – Board Rules

1. **Board Rule 671-3-.06.a. Limited Permit**
2. **Board Rule 671-3-.06.b. Limited Permit**
3. **Board Rule 671-3-.08. Renewal of License/Penalties/Continuing Education Requirements. Amended.**

The Committee was charged by the Board to consider amendments to Board Rule 671-3-.06(a) Limited Permit for First Time Test Takers, Board Rule 671-3-.06(b) Limited Permit for Applicants Re-entering Practice, and Board Rule 671-3-.08 Renewal of License/Penalties/Continuing Education Requirements. Amended. in consideration of the Memorandum of Authority provided by the Attorney General's Office. The Committee reviewed the language in the rules of other licensing boards with limited permit and CE requirements as well as potential options that applicants might use to demonstrate competency after failing the exam 3 or more times or failing to pass the exam within 5 years of completion of the academic requirements for licensure. It was a consensus of the Committee that they reconvene Monday, August 16, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. to further deliberate on suggestions made and draft the version of the rules to present to the Board.

Mr. McClellan noted that in meeting with Governor Kemp at the Governor's Office for reappointed Board Member photographs, Governor Kemp recognized the work of the Georgia State Board of Occupational Therapy and applauded their efforts on the Practice Act.

Mr. McClellan asked if there should be any rule revisions considering the Licensure Compact. Ms. Price apprised the Committee that there are currently eight states in the Compact: Maine, Ohio, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, Missouri, and Colorado. She noted that Iowa, Nebraska, Utah, and Texas legislation did not pass and that Wisconsin, Illinois, and New Hampshire have pending Compact legislation. Two more states must join the Compact before the Commission can be formed and rules drafted.

Adjournment No further business was discussed and the meeting adjourned at 1:09 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Michelle Hornaday, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by: Adrienne Price, Executive Director

Minutes approved on:

August 20, 2021

RACHELE BRANSON
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COMMITTEE CHAIR