

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY**  
**Rules Committee Minutes**  
**Teleconference Meeting**  
**Tuesday, February 28, 2017 - 08:30 a.m.**

**Board Members Via Teleconference**

Dorothy Gaskin, Vice Chairperson  
Monty Strickland, Board Member  
Reid Lawson, Board Member

**Administrative Staff Present**

Adrienne Price, Executive Director  
Kathy Osier, Licensure Supervisor  
Michelle Foster, Board Support Specialist

**Attorney General's Office**

No Attorney General present.

**Visitors Present**

No visitors present

**Call to Order:** Ms. Gaskin established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

**OPEN SESSION**

**Discussion – FSBPT CWT-6**

Ms. Gaskin reported that CWT-6 requires 170 hours total of education, which is equivalent to a doctoral degree. Of those hours, 68 hours are didactic and 22 are clinical hours, which equals to 90 professional hours. She stated that in Policy 14 Foreign Credentialing, the Board currently requires 150 hours of education of which 90 is professional hours and 60 are general education hours. The professional hours are not broken up into categories for didactic and clinical hours.

Ms. Price questioned the 20-course hour difference between CTW-6 and the Board required hours as stated in Policy 14. Ms. Gaskin said there are 20 more hours required in general education, which takes the degree from a master's degree to the doctoral level. She also noted that for new applicants coming into the U.S., she feels the rule should be amended to use the most recent CWT so that as FSBPT changes the requirements, the Board will not have to update its laws, rules and policies. Ms. Gaskin clarified that with reciprocity, it would follow that if you are already actively practicing for at least two years and the original education is equivalent, CWT-6 would not be used. Members of the Rules Committee were in agreement with Ms. Gaskin's statement.

Ms. Price suggested that Board Rule 490-2-.01 Application For Licensure And Examination may need to be updated because the new requirements for CWT-6 are not covered. She specified that the applicants who have less than two years active practice would need to apply by examination and not by endorsement or reciprocity and that they will have to be evaluated by CWT-6.

Ms. Price further indicated that if the Board is going to begin using CWT-6, then language needs to be amended in BR 490-2-.01 Application For Licensure And Examination, BR 490-2-.03 Licensure: Foreign Educated Applicants and Policy 14 Foreign Credentialing. Ms. Gaskin suggested that the Rules Committee members work individually on proposed changes for all three and send their recommendations to Ms. Price to prepare for discussion at the next Rules Committee meeting. It was the consensus of the committee that they follow Ms. Gaskin's recommendation and attempt to schedule another rules committee meeting at a later date.

**Adjournment:** With no additional business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

**Minutes recorded by:**

**Minutes reviewed and edited by:**

**Minutes Approved on:**

Michelle Foster, Board Support Specialist

Kathy Osier, Licensing Supervisor and Adrienne Price, Executive Director

March 21, 2017

DOROTHY GASKIN  
COMMITTEE CHAIR

ADRIENNE PRICE  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR