

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
Board Teleconference Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 24, 2018 – 8:30 a.m.

The Georgia State Board of Physical Therapy met via teleconference on April 24, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. The following members were present:

Board Members Present

Stefanie Palma, DPT, Chairperson
Dorothy Gaskin, PT, Vice Chair
Dr. Anne Thompson, EdD
Chad Whitefield, PTA
Jesse Crews, Consumer Member

Administrative Staff Present

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

Attorney General's Office

Wylencia Monroe, Senior Assistant Attorney General

Board Members Absent

Monty Strickland, PT
Charles Bass, PT

Visitors Present

No visitors present.

Call to Order: Dr. Palma established that a quorum of the Board was present and called the meeting to order at 8:37 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

Agenda The Board accepted the agenda as presented.

Open Session Minutes

1. March 20, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes

Dr. Thompson motioned, Ms. Gaskin seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the March 20, 2018 open session Board meeting minutes as amended for grammatical errors.

Petition for Rule Waiver Requests

1. Rule Waiver – BR 490-2-.03(1)(b) – Komal Jigneshkumar Rajani

Mr. Whitefield motioned, Ms. Gaskin seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to grant the petition to waive BR 490-2-.03(1)(b) based upon sufficient evidence to substantiate a hardship.

2. Rule Waiver – BR 490-2-.03(1)(g) and BR 490-2-.04(a)(4)(5) – Komal Jigneshkumar Rajani

Ms. Gaskin motioned, Mr. Crews seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to deny the petition to waive BR 490-2-.03(1)(g) and BR 490-2-.04(a)(4)(5) based on a failure to demonstrate active practice within the last five years, insufficient evidence to substantiate a unique hardship and a failure to meet licensure requirements under the law.

Mr. Crews motioned, Dr. Thompson seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to notify the petitioner that they may want to consider withdrawing their application for licensure as it may be denied if the Board does not have the appropriate documentation under the law to prove the applicant's identity. An affidavit and appropriate documentation reflecting name changes are required.

3. Rule Waiver – BR 490-4-.02 – Kolbrun Sif Mochiutti

Ms. Gaskin motioned, Dr. Thompson seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to deny the petition to waive BR 490-4-.02 based upon insufficient evidence to substantiate a unique hardship.

Executive Session Minutes

1. March 20, 2018 Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Mr. Whitefield motioned, Ms. Gaskin seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the March 20, 2018 executive session Board meeting minutes as amended for grammatical errors.

Adjournment: There being no additional business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:08 a.m.

Minutes recorded by: Michelle Foster, Board Support Specialist
Minutes reviewed and edited by: Kathy Osier, Licensing Supervisor & Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Minutes approved on: May 22, 2018

DR. STEFANIE PALMA
BOARD CHAIR

ADRIENNE PRICE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR