

GEORGIA BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS
Board Zoom Meeting Minutes
Monday, December 6, 2021 – 1:00 p.m.

The Georgia Board of Athletic Trainers met via Zoom on Monday, December 6, 2021. The following members were present:

Board Members Present

Russell Hoff, MS, ATC, LAT, Chairperson
Dr. Robert Kelly, MD, Board Member
Yusuf Ali, Consumer Board Member

Administrative Staff Present

Michelle Hornaday, Board Support Specialist
Charlotte Mason, Licensing Supervisor
Meagan Doss, Complaints/Compliance Analyst

Board Members Absent

No members absent.

Attorney General's Office Present

Maximillian Changus, Assistant Attorney General

Visitors Present

Paul Higgs, AT, Past President, Georgia Athletic Trainers Association (GATA), Governmental Affairs
Joyce Terrell

Administrative Staff Absent

Adrienne Price, Executive Director

Call to Order: Mr. Hoff established that a quorum of the Board was present and called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Agenda The Board accepted the agenda as presented.

Open Session Minutes – September 13, 2021 Open Session Zoom Meeting Minutes

Mr. Hoff motioned, Mr. Ali seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the September 13, 2021 Open Session Zoom Meeting Minutes as presented.

Licenses to Ratify: September 6, 2021 – November 29, 2021

Mr. Hoff motioned, Mr. Ali seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in the favor of the motion to ratify the licenses by application and by reinstatement that were issued in accordance with Board Rules and Policies between Board meetings.

Discussion – Board of Certification (BOC)

- 1. Regulatory Update - International Arrangement – Important Details for State Regulators**
- 2. Cert Update - New Heights – Launch of the International Arrangement**

Mr. Hoff motioned, Mr. Ali seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in the favor of the motion to accept the correspondence in reference to BOC as information, and for Dr. Kelly to draft correspondence with his questions for submission directly to BOC.

Board President's Report – R. Hoff

No report presented.

Executive Director's Report – A. Price

The Executive Director's report presented the Board with statistical data relevant to the processing of applications and complaints/compliance matters which have occurred since the last meeting.

Mr. Hoff motioned, Mr. Ali seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Executive Director's Report as presented.

Mr. Ali motioned, Dr. Kelly seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2 (k); 43-1-19 (h) and 50-14-2 (1) to receive and review information pertaining to applications, pending cases, investigative reports and enforcement matters and to receive the Assistant Attorney General's report. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members Russell Hoff, Dr. Robert Kelly, MD, and Yusuf Ali.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Monday, December 6, 2021, Mr. Hoff declared the meeting to be "open" pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were obtained during Executive Session.

OPEN SESSION

Executive Session Minutes – September 13, 2021 Executive Session Zoom Meeting Minutes

Mr. Hoff motioned, Mr. Ali seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the September 13, 2021 Executive Session Zoom Meeting minutes as presented.

Attorney General's Report – M. Changus

Mr. Hoff motioned, Mr. Ali seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Attorney General's Report as presented.

Complaint Summary Report – R. Hoff

Mr. Hoff motioned, Mr. Ali seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Complaint Summary Report as presented.

Miscellaneous Executive Discussion – Correspondence – Complaint against the Georgia Board of Athletic Trainers, Lisa Branon, Supervisor, Orthopedic Ancillary Services Augusta University Health

Mr. Hoff motioned, Mr. Ali seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to notify the writer that the Board nor its administrative staff may correspond with you regarding the application process as this is confidential. Additionally, licenses are administratively issued between meetings or following Cognizant review, if all requirements are met and the application is complete.

Meagan Doss left the meeting at 2:19 p.m.

Application for Board Review

Mr. Hoff motioned, Mr. Ali seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendation made in Executive session:

Applicant 2966681 Table reinstatement pending receipt of verification of licensure from another licensing authority.

Dr. Kelly left the meeting at 2:23 p.m. leaving the meeting without a quorum of the Board. And as such, the remaining members continued to discuss the remaining files as a Committee of the Board. Dr. Kelly rejoined the meeting at 2:39 p.m. establishing a quorum of the Board.

Applicant 2970920 Issue the license with a Letter of Concern regarding unlicensed practice.

Applicant 2985197 Issue the license pending receipt of verification from another licensing authority.

Applicant 2963806 Issue the license.

Adjournment There being no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Michelle Hornaday, Board Support Specialist
Minutes reviewed by: Charlotte Mason, Licensing Supervisor & Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Minutes approved on: March 21, 2022

RUSSELL HOFF
BOARD PRESIDENT

ADRIENNE PRICE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR