

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY**  
**Board WebEx Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, July 18, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.**

The Georgia State Board of Physical Therapy met via WebEx on Tuesday, July 18, 2023. The following members were present:

**Board Members Present**

Anne Thompson, Chair  
Destiny Gaddis, Vice Chair  
Terri Burner, Board Member  
Laurri Wallace, Board Member  
Ashley Camoosa, Board Member  
Claire Mullin, Board Member

**Administrative Staff Present**

Adrienne Price, Executive Director  
Michelle Hornaday, Board Support Specialist  
Meagan Doss, Licensing Supervisor

**Attorney General's Office**

Sandra Bailey, Assistant Attorney General

**Board Members Absent**

Charles Bass, Board Member

**Visitors Present**

Sandra Eskew-Capps, PT, DPT, American Physical Therapy Association-Georgia (APTA-GA)  
Stacy Downs, PT, DPT  
Stacy Hoffman, Brenau University Faculty  
Zainab, PT Student, Brenau University  
Shelby Crane, PT Student, Brenau University  
Abigail, PT Student, Brenau University  
Jordan, PT Student, Brenau University

**Call to Order:** Dr. Thompson established that a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

**OPEN SESSION**

**Agenda** The Board accepted the agenda as presented.

**Open Session Minutes**

1. June 5, 2023 Board Zoom Board Meeting Minutes
2. June 27, 2023 Rules Committee Zoom Meeting Minutes

The Board voted by acclamation to approve the June 5, 2023 Open Session Zoom Meeting Minutes and the June 27, 2023 Rules Committee Zoom Meeting Minutes as presented.

**Licenses to Ratify: April 25, 2023 – July 11, 2023**

The Board voted by acclamation to ratify the licenses by application and by reinstatement that were issued in accordance with the Board Rules and Policies between Board meetings.

**Discussion – Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT)**

1. June 2023 Regulatory Hour - State Versus Federal
2. May News Brief
3. June News Brief
4. Join Our FEPT Expert for Informative Q&A Sessions
5. Candidate Forum - July 6
6. August 2023 Regulatory Hour

## **7. Faculty Newsletter Second Quarter 2023**

The Board accepted the correspondence in reference to FSBPT as information.

### **Discussion – American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) – Actions – April 25, 2023**

The Board voted by acclamation to accept the correspondence in reference to CAPTE as information.

### **Discussion – CE Broker – PT Monthly Report – May 2023**

The Board accepts the correspondence in reference to CE Broker as information.

### **Petition for Rule Waiver – BR 490-2-.03(1)(c) Andrew Pilcher**

Dr. Wallace motioned, Dr. Burner seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to table pending a discussion regarding petitioner's application for licensure during executive session.

### **Discussion – Rules Committee – D. Gaddis**

Dr. Gaddis motioned, Dr. Mullin seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Committee amendments and rationales for proposed amendments and refer BR 490-2-.03 Licensure: Foreign-Educated Applicants, Board Policy #5 – Traineeship, Board Policy #13 – Georgia Jurisprudence, and Policy #18 - Administrative Licensing Policy, to the Attorney General's Office for a Memorandum of Authority. If no objections, vote to post the rule for hearing and refer the policies to the Governor's Office for active supervision along with the memorandum of authority. Ms. Price may bring Policy #18 back to the full Board in September 2023 if any additional administrative review questions arise.

### **American Physical Therapy Association – Georgia Chapter (APTA-GA) – Dr. Dhara Shah, PT, DPT, Executive Director**

No update presented.

### **Discussion – 2024 Board Meeting Dates**

All meetings begin at 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

Tuesday, March 5, 2024

Tuesday, May 7, 2024

Tuesday, May 21, 2024 (Rules Committee)

Tuesday, July 23, 2024

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Tuesday, November 5, 2024

Dr. Wallace motioned, Dr. Gaddis seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the 2024 Board Meeting Dates as presented.

### **Executive Director Report – A. Price**

The Executive Director's Report presented the Board with statistical data relevant to the processing of applications, the number of licensees, renewal applications and complaints/compliance matters. Other Relevant Topics discussed included the following:

- ELDD Agreement
- Annual Public Officer Affidavit

- PLB Updates

The Board voted by acclamation to accept the Executive Director's Report as presented.

**Board's Chairperson Report – A. Thompson**

Dr. Thompson reminded the Board and meeting visitors of the August 8, 2023, webinar “Navigating the Licensure Process” from 5:00 -7:00 p.m. offered by APTA-GA and the Board. As Chair of the Subcommittee on the License Renewal Process, she advised that APTA-GA will be promoting the webinar via their online newsletter. Board Member Subcommittee Members include Dr. Mullin and Ms. Camoosa. Dr. Eskew Capps of APTA-GA will also be a presenter as well as Dr. Shah, President of APTA-GA. Marsha Mann from CE Broker will also be a presenter. The webinar will be posted under the News and Announcements section of the Board website. She suggested to those present to feel free to share information about the webinar with all active licensees.

There will be a practice run for presenters July 25, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. The presentation will be held on the WebEx platform and live attendees on August 8<sup>th</sup> will be eligible for two (2) hours CE credit to apply towards the 36 general hours if they complete post-webinar survey. Only live attendees can receive CE credit. A recording of the webinar will be available on the Board website for informational purposes only at some point thereafter.

Dr. Thompson then reminded the Board of the FSBPT Annual Meeting October 19-21, 2023 and encouraged those who can to attend.

Dr. Gaddis motioned, Ms. Camoosa seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Board's Chairperson Report as presented.

**Ms. Camoosa motioned, Dr. Wallace 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: Anne Thompson, Destiny Gaddis, Terri Burner, Laurri Wallace, Ashley Camoosa, and Claire Mullin.**

**At the conclusion of the Executive Session of Tuesday, July 18, 2023, Dr. Thompson 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 taken during Executive Session.**

**OPEN SESSION**

**Executive Session Minutes – June 5, 2023 Executive Session Zoom Board Meeting Minutes**

Dr. Burner motioned, Ms. Camoosa seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the June 5, 2023 Executive Session Zoom Meeting Minutes as presented.

**Attorney General's Report – S. Bailey**

Dr. Mullin motioned, Dr. Wallace seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Attorney General's Report as presented.

**Petition for Rule Waiver – BR 490-2-.03(1)(c) Andrew Pilcher**

Dr. Burner motioned, Dr. Mullin seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to deny the petition to waive BR 490-2-.03(1)(c) based on insufficient evidence to substantiate a substantial hardship.

**Applications for Board Review**

Dr. Mullin motioned, Ms. Camoosa seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendations made in Executive Session:

- Applicant 3090858**      Issue the license.
- Applicant 3096021**      Issue the license.
- Applicant 3098708**      Issue the license.
- Applicant 3091725**      Issue the license.
- Applicant 3089194**      Issue the license.
- Applicant 3091117**      Issue the license.
- Applicant 3095359**      Cause applicant to apply by Endorsement and complete a 480-hour Traineeship Agreement.
- Applicant 3095424**      Issue the license.

Dr. Wallace motioned, Dr. Burner seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to schedule a brief meeting, Tuesday, August 15, 2023 to begin at 9:00 a.m. for the purpose of reviewing petitions for rule waiver/variance.

**Adjournment:**    There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

**Minutes recorded by:**                    Michelle Hornaday, Board Support Specialist  
**Minutes reviewed by:**                    Meagan Doss, Licensing Supervisor & Adrienne Price, Executive Director  
**Minutes approved on:**

**ANNE THOMPSON, PT, EdD**  
**BOARD CHAIR**

**ADRIENNE PRICE**  
**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**