

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
Board WebEx Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 30, 2025 – 9:00 a.m.

The Georgia State Board of Physical Therapy met via WebEx on Tuesday, September 30, 2025. The following members were present:

Board Members Present

Anne Thompson, Chair
Terri Burner, Board Member
Laurri Wallace, Board Member
Ashley Camoosa, Board Member
Claire Mullin, Board Member
Everett Tyler, Consumer Board Member

Administrative Staff Present

Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Meagan Doss, Licensing Supervisor
Sherry Strong, Complaint/Compliance Analyst

Attorney General's Office

Eric Yi, Assistant Attorney General

Board Members Absent

Charles Bass, Board Member
Destiny Gaddis, Vice Chair

Administrative Staff Absent

Michelle Hornaday, Board Support Specialist

Visitors Present

Sandra Eskew Capps, PT, DPT, American Physical Therapy Association-Georgia (APTA-GA)
Dr. Carly Ritter, PT, DPT, American Physical Therapy Association-Georgia (APTA-GA), Chapter Liaison
Daniel Dale, PT, American Physical Therapy Association-Georgia (APTA-GA)
DeeAnna Sinko
Carmella Neal
Ben Braxley, PT, American Physical Therapy Association-Georgia (APTA-GA)
Saibell Ascanio
Ricquavious Moore
Tina Spears
Call-in User 1
Call-in User 2

Call to Order: Dr. Thompson established that a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

Agenda The Board voted by acclamation to accept the agenda as presented.

Open Session Minutes – July 22, 2025 Open Session WebEx Meeting Minutes

The Board voted by acclamation to approve the July 22, 2025 Open Session WebEx Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Licenses to Ratify: July 15, 2025 – September 23, 2025

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. July News Brief
2. Regulatory Hour with Dale Atkinson - Proactive Boards
3. Comment Summary and Candidate Satisfaction Survey Results
4. August News Brief
5. 2025 LIF Final Report

6. **Regulatory Hour with Amigo Wade: First Amendment Applicability to State Boards**
7. **2025 Delegate Handbook**
8. **Regulatory Hour with Jennifer Semko - Legal Landscape Related to AI**
9. **September News Brief**
10. **Faculty Newsletter Third Quarter 2025**

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

Discussion – Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) – Voluntary Program Closure

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

Discussion – Navigating the PT Licensure Renewal Process – 2025 Webinar Summary Report

The Board voted by acclamation to accept the 2025 Webinar Summary Report as information.

Annual Board Member Elections

The Board voted by acclamation to maintain all current Board Member Officer positions for the upcoming year and they are as follows:

Chair	Anne Thompson
Vice Chair	Destiny Gaddis
Applications Cognizant	Anne Thompson
Complaints/Disciplinary Cognizant	Laurri Wallace
Rules Committee	Destiny Gaddis as Chair, Terri Burner and Ashley Camoosa
Special Projects Committee	Laurri Wallace as Chair, Charles Bass and Claire Mullin
FSBPT Delegate	Anne Thompson, Primary and Terri Burner, Alternate
Compact Delegate	Destiny Gaddis

Petition for Rule Waiver – BR 490-2-.03(b) Saibell Sarai Ascanio Anselmi

Public Comments

- a. David Chang, PT, DPT
- b. Brian McWalters
- c. Dr. Patricia Lewis, PT, DPT
- d. Morgan Hassel, PT, DPT
- e. Natalie Barker
- f. Jonathan Garrett, PT, DPT
- g. Brian Wright, PT
- h. Nadine Paull, PT, DPT
- i. Courtney Keaton, LMT, NMT

Ms. Camoosa motioned, Dr. Mullin seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to table the Petition for Rule Waiver to review the application for licensure in Executive Session prior to rendering a decision on the petitions.

American Physical Therapy Association – Georgia Chapter (APTA-GA) – Dr. Carly Ritter, PT, DPT, Chapter Liaison and Dr. Ben Braxley, PT, DPT

Dr. Ritter indicated she had no official report. Mr. Braxley stated he was in clinic today and was unsure if he would be able to attend step away to speak during the meeting, so he asked Dr. Ritter to be present. He remarked that he is grateful for the success of the license renewal webinar and appreciates the collaboration and partnership with the Board. He stated that APTA Georgia will continue to support licensees with resources on their website and by fielding questions to their office that he feels will likely decrease the volume of questions and calls to the Board.

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 licenses, renewal applications and complaints/compliance matters. Other Relevant Topics discussed included the following:

- PT Compact Updates
- Annual Ethics Commission Affidavit of Public Officer Filings
- Rules Hearing
- PLB Updates

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

Board’s Chairperson Report – A. Thompson

Dr. Thompson entered into a discussion about the need to streamline the application process for internationally educated applicants to possibly include instructions that direct these applicants to submit traineeship information before requesting a waiver.

Dr. Mullin motioned, Dr. Burner seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to refer the traineeship request process to the Special Projects Committee for review.

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

Dr. Mullin motioned, Ms. Camoosa 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, Terri Burner, Laurri Wallace, Ashley Camoosa, Claire Mullin, and Everett Tyler.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session of Tuesday, September 30, 2025, 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.

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

Executive Session Minutes – July 22, 2025 Executive Session WebEx Board Meeting Minutes

Ms. Camoosa motioned, Dr. Wallace seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the July 22, 2025 Executive Session WebEx Meeting Minutes as presented.

Attorney General's Report – E. Yi

Mr. Tyler motioned, Ms. Camoosa seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendations from the Attorney General's Office.

1. AG MEMO – PT250002

Amend the previous decision to accept a Voluntary Surrender in lieu of Revocation, should the Respondent opt to sign it in lieu of proceeding with a hearing.

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

Legal Services MEMO

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

1. Case for Ratification – PT260014

Accept the order as received.

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

2. Open Records Requests

- i. ORR 25-653
- ii. ORR 25-662
- iii. ORR 25-661
- iv. ORR 25-658
- v. ORR 25-625

Release investigative records as requested to the Alabama Board of Physical Therapy.

Cognizant Summary Report – L. Wallace, DPT

Mr. Tyler motioned, Dr. Burner seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Cognizant Report and recommendations made in Executive Session:

PT250408	Close the case.
PT250411	Close the case, no jurisdiction.
PT240017	Refer for Peer Review.
PT130004	Close the case.
PT230001	Close the case.
PT230013	Close the case.
PT250438	Close the case with a Letter of Concern regarding advertising violations.
PT250461	Close the case due to insufficient information to proceed with an investigation.
PT250509	Close the case, no jurisdiction.
PT220016	Approve the petition to terminate monitoring and flag for CE Audit.
PT250475	Schedule an Investigative Interview.
PT250420	Refer to Investigations.

PT260033 Close the case, no jurisdiction.
PT260032 Close the case, no jurisdiction.
PT260031 Close the case, no jurisdiction.
PT250417 Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order with terms and conditions as discussed in Executive Session.
PT250410 Refer for Peer Review.
PT250403 Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order with terms and conditions as discussed in Executive Session.
PT260016 Close the case, no jurisdiction.
PT250451 Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order with terms and conditions as discussed in Executive Session.
PT250469 Close the case.

Miscellaneous Executive Discussion

PT260046 No official action was taken by the Board on this matter at this time pending receipt of the complaint.

Compact Privilege Summary Report

Dr. Mullin motioned, Ms. Camoosa seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to close the following cases with a Letter of Concern regarding failure to comply with the jurisprudence requirement prior to purchasing a compact privilege.

PT260002
PT260001
PT260003
PT260004
PT260006
PT260007

Applications for Board Review

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

Applicant 4254200

Approve applicant request to take the NPTE.

Applicant 4292766

Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Agreement for Licensure with fine fee of \$500.00 for failure to disclose all the states in which the applicant has ever held a license. Fine to be paid within ninety (90) days of order docket date. Flag for CE Audit.

Applicant 4218291

Uphold the previous motion to refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Agreement for Licensure with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation and failure to disclose on application for licensure. Fine to be paid within six (6) months of order docket date. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4253581

Issue license with Letter of concern regarding criminal history.

Applicant 4308802

Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Agreement for Licensure with fine of \$500.00 for failure to disclose an arrest. Fine to be paid within 90 days of the docket date of the order. Flag for CE Audit.

Applicant 4288696

Must complete 480-hour traineeship agreement.

Applicant 4260043_Sinka, DeeAnna

Notify the applicant to provide current results of a mental physical examination for review by the Board.

Adjournment: There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 12:59 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Minutes reviewed by: Meagan Doss, Licensing Supervisor & Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Minutes approved on: October 28, 2025

ANNE THOMPSON, PT, EdD
BOARD CHAIR

ADRIENNE PRICE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF BIBB

**AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF
PUBLIC MEETING**

The Georgia Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 *et seq.*, requires that all meetings of an entity covered by the statute must be open to the public unless there is some specific statutory exception which permits the closing of the meeting. If such a meeting is to be closed, the law requires that the presiding person execute a sworn affidavit stating that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the statutory exceptions and identifying those specific exceptions relied upon. O.C.G.A. §50-14-4(b). A copy of this affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meeting in question.

Comes now E Anne W. Thompson, the presiding officer identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

1. I am the presiding officer of the Physical Therapy Board.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in all other aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On, Sept. 30, 2025 this entity, which is subject to the Open Meetings Act, met. A majority of the quorum of the members present voted to close the meeting or a portion thereof for the following indicated reason(s). I hereby certify that during the closed portion of the meeting, only those subjects indicated below were discussed. I also certify that I have reviewed the exceptions provided under the Open Meetings Act that may permit the closing of a meeting and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reasons I have described in detail below meet the requirements for closing this public meeting.
4. The legal authority for the closure of this meeting was:
O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h)
5. The subject(s) discussed and the underlying facts supporting the closing of this meeting are:
To deliberate applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications and investigative reports.

FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT

E Anne W. Thompson

Presiding Officer

Sworn and subscribed before me
This 30th day of September 2025

Aratiben K. Patel
Notary Public

