GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
Board Open Session WebEx Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 21, 2026 – 9:00 a.m.

The Georgia State Board of Physical Therapy met via WebEx on Tuesday, July 21, 2026. The following members were present:

Board Members Present
Anne Thompson, Chair
Destiny Gaddis, Vice Chair
Terri Burner, Board Member
Laurri Wallace, Board Member
Claire Mullin, Board Member
Everett Tyler, Consumer Board Member

Board Members Absent
Charles Bass, Board Member
Ashley Camoosa, Board Member

Visitors Present
Elizabeth Skillen
Sandra Eskew Capps, PT
Callie Mathers
Janel Blair
Caden Hicks
Margoski Saintinus, PTA
Marcus Ahrens
Call-In User 1
Call-In User 2
Call-In User 4
Gyanasudha Balki
Lauren Lee

Administrative Staff Present
Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Meagan Doss, Licensing Supervisor
Michelle Hornaday, Board Support Specialist
Sherry Strong, Complaint/Compliance Analyst

Attorney General's Office
Eric Yi, Assistant Attorney General

Call to Order: Dr. Thompson established that a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

Agenda The Board voted by acclimation to accept the agenda as amended.

Open Session Minutes

1. **June 1, 2026 Open Session WebEx Meeting Minutes**
2. **June 23, 2026 Open Session Rules Committee WebEx Meeting Minutes**
3. **June 30, 2026 Open Session WebEx Meeting Minutes**

Dr. Wallace motioned, Dr. Mullin seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to table the June 1, 2026 Open Session WebEx Meeting Minutes.

Destiny Gaddis joined the meeting at 9:05 a.m.

The Board voted by acclamation to approve the June 23, 2026 Open Session Rules Committee WebEx Meeting Minutes, and the June 30, 2026 Open Session WebEx Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Licenses to Ratify: May 12, 2026 – July 13, 2026

Dr. Wallace motioned, Dr. Burner seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion 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. **Apply to Participate_NPTE Reference Expansion Review Task Force (Deadline June 1)**
2. **May News Brief**
3. **July 2026 FSBPT Candidate Forum**
4. **June 2026 Regulatory Hour with Dale Atkinson-The Role of Accreditation and Education in Regulation**
5. **Faculty Newsletter Second Quarter 2026**
6. **Regulatory Hour with Amigo Wade**
7. **June News Brief_2026 FSBPT Award Winner-Anne Thompson_Richard McDougall Long Term Service Award**
8. **Consumer Protection Rating (CPR)**

Dr. Burner motioned, Dr. Mullin seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the correspondence and report in reference to FSBPT as information.

Discussion – PT Compact

1. **June 2026 Update**
2. **Georgia Quarter 2 Status Report**

Dr. Wallace motioned, Dr. Burner seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the correspondence and report in reference to PT Compact, as information.

Discussion – Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) – Call for Comment on Proposed Standards Revisions

Dr. Wallace motioned, Dr. Burner seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the correspondence and report in reference to CAPTE, as information.

Discussion – 2027 Physical Therapy Board Meeting Dates

All meetings are scheduled for Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. via WebEx unless otherwise noted.

January 12, 2027
March 2, 2027
May 25, 2027
June 29, 2027 (Rules Committee)
July 20, 2027
September 28, 2027
November 16, 2027

Dr. Wallace motioned, Mr. Tyler seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the 2027 Physical Therapy Board meeting dates as presented.

Discussion National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB)

1. **Multi-State Licensure Action Codes Will Expand to Additional Professions**
2. **Multi-State Licensure Action Codes Lists**

Dr. Wallace motioned, Dr. Burner seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the correspondence and report in reference to NPDB, as information.

Discussion – Rules Committee – D. Gaddis, Committee Chair

1. **Rule 490-2-.03. Licensure: Foreign-Educated Applicants**
2. **Rule 490-9-.05. Dry Needling**

Dr. Mullin motioned, Mr. Everett seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the recommendations, rationales, and authority reported by the Attorney General's Office as reviewed and presented by Rules Committee to post rules 490-1-.01. Organization of Board, 490-1-.02. Officers, 490-2-.01. Application For Licensure and Examination, 490-2-.04. Training Permits 490-2-.05. Repealed, 490-2-.09. Licensure: Reciprocity, 490-2-.10. Licensure: Endorsement/Reciprocity for Military Spouses and Transitioning Service Members, 490-3-.01. Evaluation of Examinations. Amended, 490-4-.01. Renewal and Reinstatement of License and Penalties, 490-4-.02. Continuing Competence Requirements, 490-5-.01. Responsibility of the Licensed Physical Therapist in Supervision, 490-9-.02. Principles of Conduct for Physical Therapists, 490-9-.03. Principles of Conduct for Physical Therapists Assistants, 490-9-.04. Disciplinary Sanctions, 490-9-.06. Telehealth, and 490-13-.01. Licensure Compact for hearing; and refer Rule 490-2-.03. Licensure: Foreign-Educated Applicants and Rule 490-9-.05. Dry Needling to the Attorney General's Office. If no objections, vote to post.

Petition for Rule Waiver – BR 490-2-.03(1)(g) & BR 490-2-.03(1)(e) Roxanne Carilla

Dr. Mullin motioned, Dr. Gaddis seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to grant the petition to waive BR 490-2-.03(1)(g) & BR 490-2-.03(1)(e) based upon sufficient evidence to substantiate a substantial hardship.

Petition for Rule Variance BR 490-2-.03(1)(b)(c) Yash Mitesh Trivedi

Dr. Mullin motioned, Dr. Wallace seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to grant the petition for variance of BR 490-2-.03(1)(b)(c) based upon sufficient evidence to substantiate a substantial hardship.

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:

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

Dr. Mullin motioned, Dr. Burner seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Executive Director's Report as presented.

Board's Chairperson Report – A. Thompson, PT, EdD

Dr. Thompson provided an update of information gleaned from her attendance at the FSBPT Leadership Issues Forum (LIF) this past weekend. She stated that the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) is instituting changes in accreditation to keep education requirements current and to support the credentials compliance for faculty. She continued that Foreign Credentialing Commission on Physical Therapy (FCCPT) is working on foreign educated credentialing integrity with the rollout of Coursework Tool 7 (CWT 7) and PTA3. These are to ensure equivalency for foreign educated graduates.

Dr. Thompson informed the Board that along with the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and other tools out there to evaluate foreign language proficiency, FSBPT plans to continue to use the TOEFL. She addressed the discussions that took place related to the importance of addressing AI Patient Documentation. She shared that it is imperative to know what is being stored, for how long, and how securely. Informed consent from patient/client is imperative as they must know what AI tools are being used by the practitioner to maintain integrity and ethics in the information being maintained and presented.

She concluded her report by encouraging attendees and Board members to use the Healthy Practice Resource tool (HPR), especially since there are up to 10 CEs available. The Resource shows how to maintain practitioner integrity and wellbeing. She shared the Healthcare Regulatory Research Institute (HRRI) website for those interested in the Healthy Practice Resource tool and other healthcare research findings: HRRI.org.

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

Dr. Gaddis motioned, Dr. Mullin 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, Claire Mullin, and Everett Tyler.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session of Tuesday, July 21, 2026, 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

Scheduled Personal Appearance

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

10:00 a.m. Applicant 4436751	Uphold previous motion.
10:30 a.m. Applicant 4445529	Rescind the previous motion, renew the license with a Letter of Concern regarding dry needling prior to board approval, close the case, and approve the dry needling designation.
11:00 a.m. Applicant 4449681	Uphold previous motion.

Executive Session Minutes

1. **June 1, 2026 Open Session WebEx Meeting Minutes**
2. **June 1, 2026 Executive Session WebEx Meeting Minutes**
3. **June 30, 2026 Executive Session WebEx Meeting Minutes**

Dr. Burner motioned, Dr. Mullin seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the June 1, 2026 Open Session WebEx Meeting Minutes, June 1, 2026 Executive Session WebEx Meeting Minutes, and the June 30, 2026 Executive Session WebEx Meeting Minutes as presented.

Attorney General's Report – E. Yi

Dr. Gaddis 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

1. Cases for Ratification

Dr. Mullin motioned, Dr. Wallace seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following orders upon receipt.

PT260122
PT260104
PT260113
PT260164
PT260106
PT260124
PT260121
PT260138
PT260077
PT260129
PT260118
PT260131
PT260140
PT260117
PT260110
PT260120
PT260152
PT260107
PT260171
PT260112
PT260163
PT260151
PT260148

2. Requests for Reconsideration

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

PT240045 Rescind the previous motion, close the case, and renew the license.

PT260105 Rescind the previous motion, close the case, and renew the license with a Letter of Concern regarding practicing dry needling prior to Board approval.

PT260127 Rescind the previous motion, close the case, renew the license with a Letter of Concern regarding practicing dry needling prior to Board approval, and approve the dry needling designation.

3. Request to Withdraw Application – PT260071

Dr. Wallace motioned, Dr. Burner seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to grant the request to withdraw the application. If attempts to apply for licensure in future, the case involving false attestation will again be considered.

Cognizant Summary Report – L. Wallace, DPT

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

PT260012 Close the case due to insufficient evidence/no jurisdiction.

PT230010 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with terms and conditions as discussed in Executive Session.

PT250410 Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order with terms and conditions as discussed in Executive Session.

PT230012 Close the case due to insufficient evidence.

PT240008 / PT240015 Refer to the Attorney General Office for a Public Consent Order with terms and conditions as discussed in Executive Session.

PT260054 Close the case due to no jurisdiction.
PT260094 Close the case due to no jurisdiction.

PT260097 Close the case with a Letter of Concern.

PT260134 Close the case. No action.

PT260056 Close the case. No action.

PT260165 Close the case due to no jurisdiction.

Compact Privileges Summary Report

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

PT260157 Must retake the GA JAM as required for renewal of the compact privilege. If fails to do so, proceed with revocation of the privilege. If proof received, close the case with a Letter of Concern regarding compliance with GA JAM requirements prior to issuance and renewal of a compact privilege.

PT260158 Must retake the GA JAM as required for renewal of the compact privilege. If fails to do so, proceed with revocation of the privilege. If proof received, close the case with a Letter of Concern regarding compliance with GA JAM requirements prior to issuance and renewal of a compact privilege.

PT260159 Close case with a Letter of Concern.

PT260160 Close case with a Letter of Concern.

PT260161 Close case with a Letter of Concern.

PT260162 Close case with a Letter of Concern.

Cognizant Ratification Report – Applicant 4667141

Dr. Burner motioned, Dr. Mullin seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to ratify the referral to Legal Services for a Public Consent Agreement for Reinstatement of Licensure with terms and conditions as discussed in Executive Session.

Miscellaneous Executive Discussion

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

PT240041 Close complaint/compliance case due to no jurisdiction. If attempts to reinstate, details of case will be considered.

PT240017 Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order with a public reprimand with terms and conditions as discussed in Executive Session.

PT260059 Release the investigative file to the PT Compact Commission and request revocation of the Georgia Compact Privilege on the basis that the privilege was obtained under false pretense. Dr. Gaddis recused herself from the vote.

Applications for Board Review

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

Applicant 4753896 Issue the license with a Letter of Concern regarding criminal history.

Applicant 4687554 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Agreement for Reinstatement of Licensure with terms and conditions as discussed in Executive Session.

Applicant 4724185 Approve Traineeship Agreement with start date to align with Board approval date.

Applicant 4426872 Approve Traineeship Agreement with start date to align with Board approval date.

Applicant 4747588 Approve Traineeship Agreement with start date to align with Board approval date.

Applicant 4632090 Issue the license.

Applicant 4500635 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with terms and conditions as discussed in Executive Session.

Discussion – Upcoming Meetings Scheduled

Dr. Gaddis motioned, Dr. Burner seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to schedule a full Board meeting via WebEx on Friday, August 21, 2026, to begin at 12:00 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing Petitions for Rule Waiver/Variance, and to schedule a Special Projects Committee meeting via WebEx, Thursday, August 6, 2026, to begin at 9:00 a.m. for the purpose of reviewing the current Physical Therapy Board website for flow, simplicity of ease, and potential errors.

Adjournment: There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Michelle Hornaday, Board Support Specialist
Minutes reviewed by: Meagan Doss, Licensing Supervisor & Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Minutes approved on: August 21, 2026

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 inquestion.

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. 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, July 21, 2026 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 22 day of July 2026

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Notary Public

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