

Friday, April 16, 2021

The Maryland Board of Occupational Therapy Practice

Chairperson: Wanda Banks, MA, OTR/L

Via Google Hangout

GENERAL SESSION MINUTES

In Attendance

Members of the Board

Chairperson.....Wanda Banks
Vice Chairperson.....Dan Martin
Secretary.....E.J. Quinn
OT Member.....Rae-Ann Smith
OT Member.....Caitlin Brogan
OTA Member.....Sarah Quirk
Consumer Member.....Marylin Pierre

Staff

Executive Director.....Lauren Murray
Board Counsel.....Bethan Haaga
Compliance Officer.....Denise Goetz

Guests

MOTA Representative.....Rachael Faulkner
Legislation and Regulations Coordinator.....Lillian Reese
Guest.....Vanessa Hughes
Guest.....Katie Alsbrooks

1. Ms. Banks called the meeting to order at 9:02 am.
2. Ms. Banks asked for approval of April General Session Agenda. Ms. Smith made a motion. Ms. Quirk seconded it. All were in favor.
3. Ms. Banks asked for approval of March General Session Minutes. Ms. Quirk made a motion. Mr. Quinn seconded it. All were in favor.
4. Ms. Banks asked for approval of the ratification of 21 OTs and 5 OTAs from March Executive Session. Ms. Pierre made a motion. Mr. Martin seconded it. All were in favor.

REPORTS

1. Administrative Reports – FY’21

Staff: Lauren Murray

a. Renewals

- i. Renewals for 2020 have been extended per orders from the Governor until June 30, 2021.
- ii. Renewals for 2021 begin May 1, 2021.

2. Legislation/Regulations Committee –

Sarah Quirk, COTA/L

Caitlin Brogan, OT/R

Marylin Pierre, Esquire, Consumer Member

Staff: Lauren Murray

b. Regulations regarding failure to reply to Board

- i. The Board is planning to develop either regulations or changes to the statute to make sure that those licensees who are being investigated will respond to correspondence from the Board.
- ii. This will be discussed further in Executive Session and will be discussed in General Session next month.

c. Compact Bill

- i. HB540 passed and was signed into law earlier this week.
- ii. The Compact law goes into effect on October 1, 2021.
- iii. The Board will work with NBCOT and System Automation to begin its association with the Compact in October.
- iv. Ms. Reese asked about when the Compact will go into the effect.
 1. Ms. Faulkner said that 10 states have to pass legislation to join the compact before it goes into effect.
 2. 3 states have legislation in effect, and 14 are working on legislation, but some sessions have not ended yet.
- d. Ms. Reese said that if the Board is working on legislation, then a compact paper will be due by the end of May.

3. Continuing Education Committee –

Sarah Quirk, COTA/L

Rae-Ann Smith, OT/R

Staff: Denise Goetz

4. Secretary's Report

E.J. Quinn, Consumer Member, Secretary

5. Executive Committee--

Wanda Banks, MA, OTR/L

Daniel Martin, Ph.D.

Staff: Lauren Murray

Nothing to report.

Meeting adjourned at 9:26 am.

