



MARYLAND
Department of Health

Board Of Physical Therapy Examiners

BOARD OPEN MEETING MINUTES

December 5, 2019

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by Board Chair, Dr. Sumesh Thomas.

Board Members Present:

Rebecca Holsinger, DPT

Meredith Levert, Consumer Member

Donna Richmond, Consumer Member, RN, MPH

Sumesh Thomas, DPT

Enjeen Woolford, PTA

Board Members Absent:

Karen Gordes, PT, DScPT, PhD

Michelle Finnegan, DPT

Eleanor Wang, DPT

Also Present:

Ogu Isaac Okehie, Acting Executive Director

Brett Felter, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel

Michelle Cutkelvin, Project Manager

Jacqueline Moore, Data Entry Clerk

Guests: Kimberly Lang, Director of Boards and Commissions

Lillian Reese, Legislative and Regulations Coordinator

Minute Taker: Michelle Cutkelvin, Project Manager

Fee Schedule Proposal:

Isaac Okehie apprises the Board that the purpose of the emergency meeting is to address the Fee Schedule proposal. Mr. Okehie reiterates that the Board is in the process of moving from continuing education to continuing competence. He states that the Board had submitted a proposal to include a fee increase for CEU applications from \$50 to \$100, adding a \$25 course review fee for licensees and \$125 PT Licensure Compact fee. Since the Governor is not willing to approve any fee increases, Mr. Okehie suggest changing the proposal. Mr. Okehie proposes keeping the CEU Application fee at \$50 and not charging fees for the review of courses for licensees.

Brett Felter states it is important to get the compact fee in place as soon as possible to get the regulations moving before the moratorium begins. The other fees can be readdressed at a later time.

The Board voted to remove the CEU application fee increase and course review fee.

There was a motion to close the open session 2:15 p.m.

The board meeting was adjourned at 2:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Ogu Isaac Okehie, Acting Executive Director

4-14-20

Date Approved


Sumesh Thomas, DPT, Board Chair