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Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

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*Board of Physical Therapy Examiners*

## **BOARD MEETING OPEN MINUTES**

**November 15, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 1:04 p.m. by the Board Chair, Krystal Lighty.

Call to Order

There was a motion and a second to close the open session at 2:24 p.m. to engage in medical review committee deliberations regarding confidential information in applications for licensure and discuss other privileged matters in accordance with General Provisions Article, Section 3-305 (b) (7) and (13). Unless recused, all Board members and staff who were present for the open session were also in attendance for both the closed and administrative sessions.

### **Board Members Present:**

Stephen Baur, PT  
Rhea Cohn, PT  
Meredith Levert, Consumer Member  
Krystal Lighty, PT  
Kimberly Rotondo, PTA  
Sumesh Thomas, PT

### **Board Members Absent:**

Donna Richmond, Consumer Member  
Katharine Stout, PT

### **Also Present:**

Carlton Curry, Executive Director  
Joy Aaron, Deputy Director  
John Bull, Compliance Manager/ Investigator  
Brett Felter, AAG, Board Counsel  
Deborah Jackson, Licensing Coordinator  
Desiree DeVoe, Investigator  
Patricia Miller, Secretary  
Michelle Cutkelvin, Board Secretary

### **Guests:**

Linda Horne, APTA

Board Chair, Krystal Lighty welcomed Board Members and guests.	Welcome
The minutes of the meeting held on October 18, 2016 were approved with corrections.	Minutes
Carlton Curry, Executive Director apprised the Board of yesterday's workgroup meeting. Mr. Curry states that there are two ideas being floated, both of which will protect the Board. Mr. Curry states that as of November 14, 2016 the formal 30 day comment period began for the Dry Needling Bill.	Legislative Update
Deborah Jackson, Licensing Coordinator gave the licensure report.	Licensure Update
Hope Rodman, PT requested feedback on the use of a transfer belt. She asks is it every permissible to allow school caregivers to use a transfer belt to guard a student during transitions within a classroom? The Board's response is a yes and to document all training.	Scope of Practice, Hope Rodman, PT
Ms. Lighty apprised the Board on the FSBPT 2016 Annual Meeting. Ms. Lighty states that Board Members, Stephen Baur and Katharine Stout, and Carlton Curry were in attendance. Ms. Lighty states that Deborah Jackson's discussion about Course Work Took 6 (CWT6) is relevant. Ms. Lighty states that she asked for clarity on CWT6. The CWT6 does not limit using "retro tools" for applicants by endorsement or transfer however for new licensees, FSBPT hopes to only use CWT6.	FSBPT 2016 Annual Meeting
Ms. Lighty apprised the Board on the following trending topics: Physical Therapist ordering imaging, Florida Board Physical Therapy restoring the CAPTE approval in its regulations and consumer competence.	
The Dry Needling bill has been published in Maryland Registrar for public commentary. A draft of the proposal for the Online Jurisprudence Exam is with the Ms. Lighty and Rhea Cohn for review. A response for Pediatrics is being finalized. Mr. Curry will follow up on the online application. The January Board meeting and Strategic Planning dates has been changed to January 24, 2017. Mr. Curry will send Board Members the latest version of Continuing Competency.	Strategic Planning
Stephen Baur, Board Member arrived at 2:15 pm.	
The Board voted to <b>approve</b> the following CEU course applications:	
<i>'Is Whole-body Vibration an Effective and Safe Treatment Choice for Older Adults?'; 'The Regulations of the Value –Based Purchasing System in Home Health' and 'Behavioral Treatment of Chronic Pain: Evidence –Based Techniques to Move People from Hurt to Hope'.</i>	
The Board voted to <b>deny</b> the following CEU course applications:	

*'Introduction to Surgical Technology, Pharmacology and Anesthesia Medical Terminology'* because the course is not substantially related to the PT practice and *'Effective Communication – Moving beyond the Silos in Home Health Care'* because the course is not substantially related to the PT practice.

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The board meeting was adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

12/20/2016

Date Approved



Carlton Curry, Executive Director



Krystal Lighty, PT, Chairperson