

Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation

Division of Professional Regulation

Illinois Occupational Therapy Board

Open Minutes

Date: May 11, 2007
Call to Order: 10:00 a.m.
Location: Illinois Division of Professional Regulation
James R. Thompson Center
Room 9-171a
100 West Randolph
Chicago, Illinois

Adjournment: 1:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: Nancy Richman, Chairperson
Ruth Bixby, Vice-Chairperson
Karin Grear, Member
Proshanta K. Nandi Ph.D., Member

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Members Present: Kim Scott, Board Liaison

Guests: None

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Chairman Time	Ms. Richman welcomed members of the Board to the meeting and explained that Mr. Scott was delayed on the train, but would be joining them shortly. Ms. Richman asked the Board to review the proposed agenda and asked if there any additions to the agenda, which there were not.	
Department Time	Mr. Scott thanked the Board for their understanding of his tardiness and Ms. Richman for conducting the	

	<p>meeting.</p> <p>Mr. Scott conveyed Maureen Mulhall's regrets that she was unable to attend the meeting, but she was required to stay in Springfield due to the fact the General Assembly was in session.</p> <p>Mr. Scott asked the Board members to review their contact information to see if any changes needed to be made to the current Department listing.</p> <p>Ms. Grear stated that her employer had changed names and that she would submit the change to Mr. Scott before the end of the meeting.</p>	
Supervision Question	<p>Ms. Richman stated that she had been informed that an employer had made the comment that he did not worry about supervising O.T.s or O.T.A.s who were working on a Letter of Authorization as he could have the law changed whenever he wanted.</p> <p>The Board discussed the issue at length.</p>	<p>Ms. Bixby made a motion that someone should contact the gentleman and ask him how he was supervising his graduates and include a copy of the Illinois Occupational Therapy Practice Act with the letter.</p> <p>Dr. Nandi seconded the motion.</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
Minutes Review	<p>The Board reviewed the proposed minutes from the December 8, 2006 meeting of the Board.</p>	<p>Dr. Nandi made a motion to approve the minutes as presented.</p> <p>Ms. Bixby seconded the motion.</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
Rules Discussion	<p>Ms. Richman asked if the Board members had reviewed the current Rules since the last meeting and if they had any suggestions for change or questions regarding the current Rules.</p>	<p>The Board instructed Mr. Scott to explain to the Director why the Board felt that an audit was needed and the strongly supported the audit.</p>

	<p>The Board discussed the lack of Continuing Education audit and that they felt it was really needed for the good of the profession. Ms. Richman asked if it would help if the Board would review the C.E. for the Department. Mr. Scott explained that they could not review the C.E. for the Department, because the applicant has the right to ask for a Formal Hearing if they disagree with the Department's assessment of the submitted C.E. The Board stated that they were going to write the Director a letter on an individual basis explaining why they felt the audit was needed and that the vacant seats on the Board needed to be filled by the Director. The Board discussed and reviewed the current Rules and Mr. Scott explained some of the Rules were standard language that the Department used in all Rules.</p> <p>Ms. Grear asked if the Rules needed to be amended to reflect that some institutions are utilizing the Technician instead of Aide in their hiring practices.</p> <p>Mr. Scott stated regardless of what the institution called their employees they still were could not work within the scope of practice of an O.T. or O.T.A., but would be required to be</p>	<p>Ms. Grear made a motion to amend Section 1345.145 (c) (F) to read "regardless of method of delivery." Add the American Medical Association and its affiliates to the approved sponsor listing.</p> <p>Amend Section 1345.145 (b) (9) (B) to read: "A licensee may earn 24 contact hours for each initial advanced competence recognition or spatiality certification credential earned."</p> <p>Amend Section 1345.145 (9) (A) to read "initial certification."</p> <p>Ms. Bixby seconded the motion.</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>
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Case Status Reports	Mr. Scott distributed to the members of the Board the Open Case Reports. Mr. Scott explained to the Board the statistics that were contained within the reports and answered questions the Board had regarding the reports.	The Board thanked Mr. Scott for the reports.
Application Review	<p>The Board reviewed the following applications.</p> <p>Riverside Medical Center C.E. Sponsor Action Sheet #071626</p> <p>McConnell Institute C.E. Sponsor Action Sheet #071627</p> <p>Great Plains Orthopedics C.E. Sponsor Action Sheet #071624</p> <p>Pesi, LLC C.E. Sponsor Action Sheet #071625</p>	Ms. Gear made the motion that the submitted applications be approved and licenses issued. Ms. Bixby seconded the motion. Motion carried.
Adjournment		Ms. Gear made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Bixby seconded the motion. Motion carried.