

KENTUCKY BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
MEETING MINUTES
January 17, 2019

A regular meeting of the Kentucky Board of Licensure for Occupational Therapy was held at the Department of Professional Licensing in Frankfort, KY on January 17, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

Joshua Ramsey, Chair
Shara Page, Vice Chair
Stacy Grider, Secretary
Hugh Stroth
Shauna Messer

Department of Professional Licensing STAFF

Isaac Vanhooose, Commissioner
Megan Woodson, Board Administrator

OTHERS

Jared Downs, Legal Counsel

MEMBERS ABSENT

Harold E. Corder II
Joshua Skuller

Mr. Ramsey called the meeting to order at 1:07pm.

Consent agenda - Minutes, Monthly Financial Report and Legal Fees

Minutes of the December 20, 2018 meeting, legal fees for and financial reports for December 2018 were presented for the Board's review. Ms. Page made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion, seconded by Ms. Grider, carried.

Ms. Grider made a motion to pay travel and per diem expenses for board members attending the Occupational Licensing Workshop on February 8, 2019. Ms. Page seconded the motion, motion carried.

DPL Report

Ms. Woodson advised that interviews have been conducted for the vacant Board Administrator position and the expected start date of the new hire is February 1st.

Pending Complaints

Ms. Woodson advised the Board has received two new complaints that are still in the beginning stages of the complaint process.

Board Attorney's Report

Mr. Downs reminded the Board of the Sunset Law and that regulations not updated since July 1, 2012 will expire if the Board does not amend, repeal, or advise LRC to keep "as is". Mr. Ramsey made a motion for Mr. Downs to file a letter with LRC to keep the following regulations "as is":

201 KAR 28:150 Disciplinary Proceedings

201 KAR 28:160 Administrative Hearings

201 KAR 28:190 Occupational Therapy Low-Vision and Visual Therapy Service

Ms. Grider seconded the motion and it carried.

Old Business

The Board reviewed a revised version of the Jurisprudence exam updated by Mr. Skuller. The Board wishes to further discuss the temporary permit process which will affect the questions on the Jurisprudence exam. Once the Board concludes the temporary permit process, the Jurisprudence exam will be further revised to reflect this process.

New Business

The Board discussed license reinstatements and that a lapse in licensure is not reflected on the license verification webpage. The Board would like to see something added to the license verification page that states there has been a lapse in licensure so that this information is available to the public. Ms. Woodson will discuss this with Ms. Vick to see if there are any options to have this information displayed.

The Board discussed KRS 319A.100 regarding temporary permits not being extended more than sixty (60) days following the second failed examination offered. The Board will brainstorm the best possible options for the number of days a permit is issued and how to handle this process since the NBCOT exam is offered much more frequently than when the Board's laws were written.

The Board reviewed an email from Kentucky Telehealth Board inviting the Board to their next meeting regarding SB 112 which goes into effect July 1, 2019. This bill expands Medicaid coverage to services normally covered "in person". The Board will continue to monitor telehealth.

The Board reviewed an email question regarding supervision of multiple OTA's and signing documentation. The Board advised Ms. Woodson to send the standard response and guide the Licensee to the laws and forms regarding supervision.

The Board reviewed the licensure status report.

Applications Review

Ms. Grider made a motion to approve the supervision audit review. Ms. Page seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Ramsey made a motion to approve the renewal and reinstatement applications review at today's meeting. Ms. Messer seconded the motion and it carried.

Ms. Page made a motion to approve the renewal and reinstatement applications reviewed throughout the month. Ms. Grider seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ms. Page made a motion to approve all initial licensure applications presented. Ms. Messer seconded the motion and it carried.

Ms. Grider made a motion to approve all initial licensure applications reviewed throughout the month. Ms. Page seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ms. Page made a motion to approval all DPAM specialty certification applications presented. Ms. Grider seconded the motion and it carried.

Mr. Ramey made a motion to approve all DPAM specialty certification applications reviewed throughout the month. Ms. Grider seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ms. Page to approve all continuing education course applications as presented. Ms. Grider seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Assignments for Next Meeting - February 21st @ 1:00pm

Ms. Woodson:

- Email temporary permit information to all board members
- Get more information regarding the Occupational Licensing Workshop
- Send out-of-state travel request form to board members

Mr. Downs

- Work on complaints with Ms. Woodson
- File letter with LRC regarding the Board's sunset laws
- Review the Board's audit authority

All Board Members:

- Brainstorm ideas on how to improve the issuance of temporary permits

Approval of Travel and Per Diem

A motion was made by Mr. Stroth to approve travel and per-diem for today's meeting. The motion, seconded by Ms. Messer, carried.

Ms. Page made a motion to pay travel and per diem expenses for Mr. Skuller for today. He is presenting to students at Spalding University about the process for applying for licensure with the Board. Mr. Stroth seconded the motion and it carried.

Adjournment

Mr. Stroth made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:11pm. Ms. Grider seconded the motion and it carried.