

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
MEETING MINUTES
December 10, 2020**

A regular meeting of the Kentucky Board of Licensure for Occupational Therapy was held via Zoom Conference call on December 10, 2020 at 1pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Joshua Skuller Chair
Hugh Stroth
Shara Page
Harold E. Corder II
Joshua Ramsey
Stacy Grider, Secretary
Shauna Messer

DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSING

Alplato Chukpue-Padmore, Board Administrator
Michael Newman

OTHERS

Leah Boggs, Legal Council
Dale Lynn
Shaun Conway
Camille Peplaski
Chuck Wilmath
Rhonda Phelps

MEMBERS ABSENT

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Skuller called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of the November 12, 2020 meeting as well as legal fees and financial report for November 2020 were presented for the Board's review. Mr. Ramsey made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Page and carried unanimously.

DPL Greetings

Dr. Newman extended his greetings to the Board. He mentioned that DPL is monitoring the legislative session and if there is any information that impacts the Board, the Board will be notified. Dr. Newman also mentioned that the Board needs to be cautious of renewal period. Licensee who have not renewal as of yet will receive double invoice for this year and next year should the state of emergency extend deeper into next year (2021). Dr. Newman proposed that the Board send out a letter to this effect.

Board Attorney Greetings

Ms. Boggs mentioned that the request for the technical amendment to change the address has been made. The Board will be notified once the change is made. She also mentioned that she will have the per diem issue at the next meeting for discussion.

OLD BUSINESS

OT Compact Summary Update

Mr. Skuller asked Board members if there was any concern about the compact summary. Mr. Ramsey mentioned if this will require the Board to open the practice act- something he wants the Board to be cautious about because of previous issues relating to opening the practice act. Mr. Ramsey also mentioned that it seems the compact will be most beneficial if only surrounding states are included. He would like to know how many states this compact may include. Another concern Mr. Ramsey pointed out was related to annual fees. He mentioned that the Board annual fees for OT is \$50.00 and \$35.00 OTA respectively and if this will change should the Board move on with the compact.

Mr. Wilmarth Thanked the board for the invite. He mentioned that this compact is a joint initiative between AOTA and NBCOT. He explained that this was an initiative to help bring OT/As together across the US.

Mr. Conway also provided an overview of why the compact is being established. He asked the Board for explanation and clarification on why they think the compact will open the practice act. Mr. Ramsey answered by saying the background check and change of fees could be a possibility or a concern. Ms. Boggs affirmed that the background check and fees will open the practice act. She also mentioned that some disciplinary action could also force the practice act to be open.

In terms of fees, Mr. Wilmarth mentioned that the compact will follow the physical therapy module. That is, if the Board was to join the compact, the Board can decide what the fee should be he mentioned. He mentioned mobility, telehealth, helping military family as some if the benefits of the compact.

After discussions about the compact, the Board thanked the presenters for their input. Mr. Skuller mentioned that the Board will need to have another meeting, inviting additional speakers for their input before making decision.

CE Boker Update

The Board agreed to revisit this issue at a later time. Plato was asked to send out an email to CE Boker about this decision.

NEW BUSINESS

Licensure Status Report

The Board reviewed the licensure status report.

2021 Meeting Dates

Mr. Skuller made a motion to approve the following meeting dates for 2021 for in person meeting as well as zoom. The motion was approved by Mr. Ramsey and it carried.

January 14

February 11

March 11

April 8

May 13

June 10

July 8

August 12

September 9

October 14

November 11

December 9

Application Review

Mr. Ramsey made a motion to approve pending applications. Ms. Page approved the motion and it carried.

ASSIGNMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING – January 14, 2021 @ 1:00PM

OT Board Member

APPROVAL OF PER DIEM

Mr. Ramsey made a motion to approve the per diem for today's meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Page and it carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Stroth made a motion to adjourn the meeting a 2:33 p .m. Ms. Page seconded the motion and it carried.