

1 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF PHYSICAL THERAPY AND
2 OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY EXAMINERS
3 QUARTERLY MEETING
4 March, 2, 2007
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6 Board Room, Room 2-500
7 333 Guadalupe Street
8 Austin, TX 78701
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11 Persons Present: Council Members: Clarissa Meyers, OTR
12 Daniel Reyes, Public Member
13 Melinda Rodriguez, PT
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16 Staff: John Maline, Executive Director
17 Augusta Gelfand, OT Board Coordinator
18 Jennifer Jones, Executive Assistant
19 Nina Hurter, PT Board Coordinator
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21 Persons Absent: Council Members: L. Suzan Kedron, Chair
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26 **I. Call to Order.**

27 At 10:20 a.m. Mr. Reyes, Acting Presiding Officer, called the meeting to order. Mr.
28 Reyes called the roll, and a quorum was determined to exist. Mr. Reyes announced
29 that Ms. Kedron, Presiding Officer, had a court appearance that morning in Dallas,
30 and requested that he assume the duties as Acting Presiding Officer for the meeting.
31 It was also announced that Mr. Cabrales, former public member representing the
32 Occupational Therapy Board, was appointed by the Governor to the Texas Racing
33 Commission and had to resign from the board. His position on the Executive Council
34 was not filled by the OT board awaiting the appointment of two new public members.
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36 **II. Public Comment.**

37 There was no public comment.
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39 **III. Approval of minutes of December 8, 2006 Executive Council meeting.**

40 The minutes were approved with no corrections.
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42 **Motion: To approve the minutes of December 8, 2006 Executive Council**
43 **meeting as found in Tab 3.**

44 **Made by: Ms. Rodriguez**

45 **Second: Ms. Meyers**

46 **3 ayes, motion passed.**
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1 **IV. Discussion and possible action on Executive Director’s Report, concerning**
2 **fiscal and budgetary matters, performance measures, biannual budget**
3 **planning process, legislative session, agency personnel, ongoing projects, and**
4 **other agency business.**

5 Mr. Maline presented a report to the council concerning the FY07 budget and
6 receipts to date, the first quarter of FY07 performance measures, employee status,
7 most significant bills filed in the legislative session, and several minor projects on-
8 going in the agency. Several questions were asked of Mr. Maline, all of which he
9 answered.

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11 **V. Review and possible action on new rule and rule amendments proposed by the**
12 **Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners as follows: amendment to §329.5,**
13 **Licensing Procedures for Foreign-Trained Applicants.**

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15 Ms. Rodriguez gave a synopsis of the proposed changes to Section 329.5, Licensing
16 Procedures for Foreign-Trained Applicants, and the rationale the PT Board used to
17 make the proposed changes. There were several questions asked of Ms. Rodriguez
18 by other council members, all of which were answered.

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20 **Motion: To approve publishing rule §329.5, of the Texas Administrative**
21 **Code relating to Licensing Procedures for Foreign-Trained Applicants.**

22 **Made by: Ms. Meyers**

23 **Second: Ms. Rodriguez**

24 **3 ayes, motion passed.**

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26 **VI. Review and possible action on new rule and rule amendments proposed by the**
27 **Texas Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners as follows: amendments to**
28 **§362.1, Definitions; §364.1 Requirements for Licensure; §367.1, Continuing**
29 **Education; §367.2, Categories of Continuing Education; §370.1, License**
30 **Renewal; and proposed new §370.2, Late Renewal.**

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32 Ms. Meyers and Ms. Gelfand laid out the amendment to §362.1, Definitions, to the
33 other members of the council. There were questions asked of them by other council
34 members, all of which were answered.

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36 **Motion: To approve publishing rule §362.1 of the Texas Administrative**
37 **Code relating to Definitions in the Texas Register.**

38 **Made by: Ms. Meyers**

39 **Second: Ms. Rodriguez**

40 **3 ayes, motion passed.**

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42 Ms. Meyers and Ms. Gelfand laid out the amendment to §364.1, Requirements for
43 Licensure, to the other members of the council. There were questions asked of them
44 by other council members, all of which were answered.

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46 **Motion: To approve publishing rule §364.1 of the Texas Administrative**
47 **Code relating to Requirements for Licensure in the Texas Register.**

48 **Made by: Ms. Rodriguez**

49 **Second: Ms. Meyers**

50 **3 ayes, motion passed.**

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2 Ms. Meyers and Ms. Gelfand laid out the amendments to §367.1, Continuing
3 Education, and 367.2, Categories of Continuing Education, to the other members of
4 the council. There were questions asked of them by other council members, all of
5 which were answered.

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7 **Motion: To approve publishing rule §367.1 of the Texas Administrative**
8 **Code relating to Continuing Education, and §367.2, of the Texas Administrative**
9 **Code relating to Categories of Continuing Education, in the Texas Register.**

10 **Made by: Ms. Meyers**

11 **Second: Ms. Rodriguez**

12 **3 ayes, motion passed.**

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14 Ms. Meyers and Ms. Gelfand laid out the amendment to section 370.1, License
15 Renewal, and proposed new rule section 370.2, Late Renewal, to the other members
16 of the council. There were questions asked of them by other council members, all of
17 which were answered.

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19 **Motion: To approve publishing rule §370.1 of the Texas Administrative**
20 **Code relating to License Renewal, and new rule §370.2 of the Texas**
21 **Administrative Code relating to Late Renewal, in the Texas Register.**

22 **Made by: Ms. Meyers**

23 **Second: Ms. Rodriguez**

24 **3 ayes, motion passed.**

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26 **VII. Discussion and possible action regarding agency Sunset changes.**

27 Mr. Maline followed up his discussion of possible needed changes to the Executive
28 Council practice act that he had brought up at the last council meeting, and again
29 requested council members' recommendations. He stated that he would continue to
30 identify changes and report them to the council at each meeting. Results of the
31 legislative session would also play a part in determining the future course of the
32 agency efforts in preparing for the Sunset process.

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34 **VIII. Presiding Officers Report.**

35 Mr. Reyes, as acting presiding officer, did not give a report.

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37 **IX. Discussion and possible action on future Executive Council meeting dates, and**
38 **items for future consideration.**

39 The next Executive Council meeting is scheduled for 10:00 a.m., June 1st, 2007 in
40 the agency board room in Austin, Texas.

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42 **X. Adjournment.**

43 The meeting was adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

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47 **DATE REVIEWED BY THE COUNCIL:**

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49 **ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL:**