

Texas Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners

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Rules Committee Meeting  
Hotel Omni Mandalay  
Las Colinas Boardroom  
221 East Colinas Blvd  
Irving, TX  
November 17, 2006  
9:00 AM

Committee Members Present   **Judy Bowen, OTR**  
  **Cecelia Fierro, OTR**  
  **Jean Polichino, OTR, Committee Alternate**

Staff Present:                     John Maline, Executive Director  
  Augusta Gelfand, OT Coordinator  
  Mark Turek, Chief Investigator

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**I. Call to Order**

Cecilia Fierro called the roll and established that a quorum existed. The meeting was called to order at 9:07 AM.

**2. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**3. Approval of the Minutes of June 2, 2006**

Motion:                     To approve the minutes as submitted.

Motion by:                Jean Polichino

Second:                    Cecilia Fierro

Motion passed.

**4. Discussion and possible action on proposing amendments recommendations to rule §362.1, Definitions**

The Committee discussed changing the rule definitions from the medical model which the definitions reflect, to the new participation framework model.

Judith Bowen joined the committee meeting at 9:18 AM.

The committee recessed at 9:18 AM and reconvened at 9:20 AM.

The committee recommended that they look at adding some new definitions, delete others, and re-define some that exist. They agreed that they needed a longer meeting to cover the work required and would hold a meeting the Thursday afternoon before the next scheduled board meeting.

**5. Discussion and possible action on proposing amendments recommendations to rule §372.1, Provision of Services**

No action was taken.

**6. Discussion and possible action on proposing amendments to §376.1, Definitions (Facility)**

Motion:                     To add a definition for linked facilities in the facility definitions chapter.

Made by:                   Judith Bowen

Second:                    Jean Polichino

Motion passed.

**7. Discussion and possible action on proposing amendments to CE requirements for new licensees §370.1 License Renewal and §367.1, Continuing Education**

The committee discussed the idea of new licenses being issue for a minimum of 2 years to expire at the end of the birth month, with the requirement that all first time licensees complete the required continuing education. The committee will work on the changes at the next meeting.

**8. Future meeting dates**

The committee will meet in conjunction with the next scheduled board meeting.

1 **9. Adjournment**

2 The meeting adjourned at 9:57 AM.

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5 Date reviewed and adopted by the Rules Committee: The minutes were approved on February 16, 2007.