

Texas Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners

BOARD MEETING

January 25, 2013

333 Guadalupe St #2-510

Austin, TX 78701

8:30AM

Members Present: Judith Chambers, Public Member
Will Hale, Public Member
Kathleen Hill, COTA
Stephanie Johnston, OTR
Todd Novosad, OTR

Members Absent: Catherine Benevidez, OT
DeLana Honaker, OTR
Pamela Nelon, Public Member
Angela Sieffert, OTA

Staff: John Maline, Executive Director
Kara Holsinger, Assistant Attorney General
Mark Turek, Chief Investigator
Augusta Gelfand, OT Coordinator
Cynthia Machado, Licensing Manager

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:32 AM by Stephanie Johnston, Presiding Officer.

2. Public comment

There was no public comment.

3. Discussion and possible action on Executive Director's Report concerning fiscal and budgetary matters, performance measure, ongoing projects, agency personnel matters, and other agency business

John Maline briefed the Board on the current numbers and the exceptional items he and Rodger Madsen, the Chair of the Executive Council, will bring to the current legislative budget hearings

4. Investigation Committee Report

There was no report.

5. Discussion and possible adoption of proposed rules;

A. §§367.1-3, Continuing Education

One public comment was received concerning adding the word "evaluation" which was added to the rule in (d) (1) (A).

Motion: To adopt the rule with changes

Made by: Todd Novosad

Second by: Kathleen Hill

Motion passed.

B. §376.4

C. §376.6

D. §376.8

These proposed rule amendment concern how to properly close a facility, how late fees are assess and how a facility may restore their registration after a year expired.

Motion: To Adopt §376.4, §376.6 and §376.8 as proposed with no changes.
Made by: Todd Novosad
Second Kathleen Hill
Motion passed.

6. Discussion and possible action on the OT Coordinator's Report. The Coordinator's Report may concern any items listed on the agenda and events that have occurred between this meeting and the Board's last meeting.

Ms Gelfand pointed out her written report. She mentioned problems with the website. Mr. Maline reported that we were hacked, we moved to another company to host our website and that we're spending money on fixing the problems.

7. Discussion and possible action on the Presiding Officer's Report. The Presiding Officer's report may concern any item listed on the agenda and on events that have occurred between this meeting and the Board's last meeting

Ms. Johnston had no report.

10. Discussion and possible action on scheduling future board meeting dates and agenda items for future consideration

The Board chose May 17, 2013; Sept. 13, 2013. Ms Gelfand told the board there were specific rules that had been identified for amendments and that the Rules Committee would need to meet. The Education Committee is working on rewriting the current questions according to a list of criteria and examples written by DeLana Honaker.

11. Adjournment was at 9:20AM

Minutes adopted on: May 17, 2013