

1 **The Executive Council of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Examiners**
2 **Council Meeting**
3 **February 9, 2024**
4 **1801 Congress Avenue, Suite 10.900**
5 **Austin, TX 78701**
6 **8:30 AM**
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8 This meeting will be held by videoconference call pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.127. The
9 member presiding over the meeting will be physically present at the location of the meeting listed above
10 and will preside over the meeting at that location. The meeting will be accessible to the public at the
11 physical location listed above.

12 The Executive Council of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Examiners may discuss and/or
13 take action on any of the following agenda items. The Council may go into executive session on any
14 agenda item listed below as authorized by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code chapter 551.

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17 **Persons present:**
18 **Council Members**

Manoranjan Mahadeva, Presiding Officer
Stephanie Johnston, OTR
Harvey Aikman, PT
Eddie Jessie, OT Board Public Member
Donivan Hodge, PT Board Public Member

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24 **Staff:**

Ralph Harper, Executive Director
Karen Gordon, PT Board Coordinator
Amy Carter, Director of Enforcement
Lea Weiss, OT Board Coordinator
Rosalind Hunt, OAG Assigned Counsel
Randall Glines, Staff Services Officer

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32 **I. Call to order**

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34 At 8:35 a.m., Manoranjan Mahadeva called the meeting to order from the
35 Conference Room at 1801 Congress Avenue. A roll call determined that
36 there was a quorum. Manoranjan Mahadeva informed the Executive
37 Council that the order of agenda items would be adjusted. After agenda
38 item 1, agenda items 6 through 9 would be addressed before proceeding
39 with remaining agenda items, in order starting with item 2.
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42 **II. Excusing council member absences**

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44 There were no absent council members.
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47 **III. Public comment**

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49 There was no public comment.

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52 **IV. Minutes of November 10, 2023 meeting**

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54 **Motion: To approve without changes minutes of November 10, 2023**
55 **Executive Council meeting**

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57 **Made by: Stephanie Johnston**
58 **Second: Eddie Jessie**
59 **Motion passed.**

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62 **V. Executive Director's Report concerning fiscal and budgetary matters,**
63 **performance measures, ongoing projects, agency personnel matters,**
64 **recent and current legislation sessions, and other agency business**

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66 Ralph Harper briefed the Executive Council on fiscal and budgetary
67 matters, performance measures, ongoing projects, agency personnel
68 matters, recent and current legislation, and other agency business.

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71 **VI. Approval for the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners to publish in**
72 **the Texas Register proposed amendments to 22 TAC §329.5. Licensing**
73 **Procedures for Foreign-Trained Applicants**

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75 Harvey Aikman discussed agenda item VI.

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77 **Motion: To approve proposed rules §329.5 relating to Licensing**
78 **Procedures for Foreign-Trained Applicants, for submission for**
79 **publication in the Texas Register**

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81 **Made by: Donovan Hodge**
82 **Second: Harvey Aikman**
83 **Motion passed.**

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86 **VII. Approval for the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners to publish in**
87 **the Texas Register proposed amendments to 22 TAC §346.1. Educational**
88 **Settings**

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90 Harvey Aikman discussed agenda item VII.

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92 **Motion: To approve proposed rules §346.1 relating to Educational**
93 **Settings, for submission for publication in the Texas Register**
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95 **Made by: Harvey Aikman**
96 **Second: Stephanie Johnston**
97 **Motion passed.**

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100 **VIII. Approval for the Texas Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners to**
101 **publish in the Texas**
102 **Register proposed changes to the following rules in 40 TAC (Texas**
103 **Administrative Code)**
104 **Chapter 367, Continuing Education:**
105 **A. §367.1. Continuing Education**
106 **B. §367.2. Categories of Education**
107 **C. §367.3. Continuing Education Audit**

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109 Lea Weiss discussed agenda item VIII.

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111 **Motion: To approve proposed rules §367.1 relating to Continuing**
112 **Education, §367.2 relating to Categories of Education, and §367.3**
113 **relating to Continuing Education Audit for submission for publication**
114 **in the Texas Register**

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116 **Made by: Stephanie Johnston**
117 **Second: Eddie Jessie**
118 **Motion passed.**

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121 **IX. Proposing a rule review of the following chapter of the Council Rules as**
122 **required by §2001.039 of the Government Code: Chapter 651, Fees**

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124 Ralph Harper discussed agenda item IX.

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126 **Motion: To approve publishing for public comment a proposed rule**
127 **review of chapter 651 relating to Fees, for submission for publication**
128 **in the Texas Register**

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130 **Made by: Harvey Aikman**
131 **Second: Donovan Hodge**
132 **Motion passed.**

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135 **X. Presiding Officer's Report regarding events concerning the Executive**
136 **Council of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Examiners**

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138 Mano Mahadeva gave recognition to the Executive Council, the PT and
139 OT Boards, OAG Assigned Counsel and the agency staff for their
140 continued efforts.

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XI. Future Executive Council meeting dates and agenda items

The next Executive Council meeting was tentatively scheduled for May 10, 2024, at 8:30 a.m.

XII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 a.m.

DATE REVIEWED BY THE COUNCIL: May 10, 2024

ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL: Approved as written