

South Dakota Board of Physical Therapy

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OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES FOR August 23, 2023 VIDEO CONFERENCE

MEMBERS PRESENT: Patti Berg-Poppe, President
Leonard Suel, Vice-President
Rebecca Schmitz, Secretary
Brad Thuringer, Member
Matthew Weigel, Member
Janelle Toman, Lay Member
Linda Ahrendt, Lay Member

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Brooke Tellinghuisen Geddes, Executive Director
Katie Funke, Executive Assistant
Melisa Knittel, Administrative Assistant
Howard Pallotta, Legal Counsel, SD Dept. of Health
Mariah Pokorny, Director of Accreditation and Reporting, SD Dept. of Health
Susan Sporrer, SD Dept. of Health
Michael DiGrazia, Public Member
Monica Metzger, Public Member

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS: Berg-Poppe called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM CDT.

ROLL CALL: Tellinghuisen Geddes called the roll. Berg-Poppe, yes; Suel, yes; Schmitz, absent; Thuringer, absent; Toman, yes; Ahrendt, yes; Weigel, yes. A quorum was present. Schmitz and Thuringer joined at 12:03 PM CDT.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Toman made a motion to approve the agenda. Ahrendt seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM JULY 28, 2023: Schmitz made a motion to approve the minutes for July 28, 2023 as written. Thuringer seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: DeGrazia brought forth concerns regarding Physical Therapist Assistant supervision requirements in South Dakota. Tellinghuisen Geddes advised that the topic will be added to the next agenda for discussion amongst the Board.

APPLICATION UPDATE: Tellinghuisen Geddes advised that one license has been issued and the rest of the applications are waiting for criminal background checks to be complete. Tellinghuisen Geddes informed the Board that database is fully functional with the ability to issue new licenses/certificates. The verification tool is in development with the database provider and should be available to the public soon.

DISCUSSION/VOTE ON REVISED ARSD 20:66: Toman made a motion to enter Executive Session at 12:19 PM CDT. Suel seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote. The Board exited Executive Session at 12:36 PM CDT.

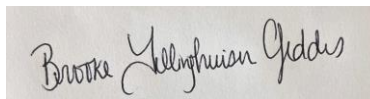
Suel made a motion to accept legal counsel's recommendation on the language relating to adopting the code-of-ethics for Physical Therapists and Physical Therapist Assistants. Ahrendt seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

Suel made a motion to accept the revised ARSD 20:66 as presented with changes as adopted relating to the code-of-ethics. Weigel seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING(S): The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 24, 2023 at 11:00 AM MDT/ 12:00 PM CDT via Microsoft teams. This meeting is tentatively planned to also serve as a public rules hearing for proposed rules changes. The following meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at 11:00 AM MST/ 12:00 PM CST via Microsoft Teams.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: There was no other business to discuss.

Weigel made a motion to adjourn at 12:56 PM CDT. Suel seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.



Respectfully submitted,
Brooke Tellinghuisen Geddes
Executive Director

1-27-1.17. Draft minutes of public meeting to be available--Exceptions--Violation as misdemeanor. The unapproved, draft minutes of any public meeting held pursuant to § 1-25-1 that are required to be kept by law shall be available for inspection by any person within ten business days after the meeting. However, this section does not apply if an audio or video recording of the meeting is available to the public on the governing body's website within five business days after the meeting. A violation of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor. However, the provisions of this section do not apply to draft minutes of contested case proceedings held in

accordance with the provisions of chapter 1-26.

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