

South Dakota Board of Physical Therapy

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OFFICIAL BOARD MINUTES FOR MAY 14, 2024 VIDEO CONFERENCE

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Brooke Tellinghuisen Geddes, Executive Director
Katie Funke, Executive Assistant
Howard Pallotta, SD Dept. of Health, General Counsel
Katie O'Bright, Redefine Health Education

CALL TO ORDER: 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, yes; Thuringer, yes; Toman, yes; Ahrendt, yes; Weigel, yes. A quorum was present.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: O'Bright, owner of Redefine Health Education, voiced interest to the board during the public comment period regarding the board accepting continuing education that has been approved by other Physical Therapy licensure boards. Berg-Poppe advised that the board cannot opine on public comment questions during the meeting if it is not directly on the agenda but that the board would be discussing this later in the meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM MARCH 19, 2024: Toman made a motion to approve the minutes from March 19, 2024. Schmitz seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

FINANCIAL UPDATE: Tellinghuisen-Geddes reported year-to-date financials as of March 31, 2024: Revenue of \$195,594.01, expenses of \$109,147.38 and a Cash Balance of \$1,244,554.55.

CEU WORKGROUP UPDATE/GUIDING DOCUMENT: Berg-Poppe discussed two guiding documents the CEU workgroup has been drafting to help provide clarity around continuing education for both licensees and those who put forth continuing education. She explained the guiding documents would be implemented once the board is able to update administrative rules. Specifically, she asked for input on implementing a policy to split continuing education into two categories. The first category would include certified activities and have no limit on the number of allowable hours in a licensure cycle. The second category would include various participatory activities to allow licensees flexibility in continuing education activities. This category would have a limit on the hours a licensee could claim in a licensure cycle. Schmitz agreed that it would be beneficial to have two categories as to not allow licensees to get all of their continuing education in participatory activities. Weigel expressed concern with making continuing education more difficult to obtain and the need to consider work and financial constraints of licensees. Suel agreed that it made sense to have two categories of continuing education and applauded the detail in the guiding documents and clarity they will provide.

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES UPDATE-CEU'S/VOTE: The board discussed proposed changes to ARSD 20:66:03:02 and 20:66:03:04. Changes include defining continuing education, updating the approval entities to the South Dakota Board of Physical Therapy, SD Chapter of APTA, APTA and another state's licensure board who licenses Physical Therapists and Physical Therapist Assistants. The guiding document, which would provide further clarification on activities approved by the board, would be implemented after the rule changes are effective. Following discussion, Thuringer moved to initiate the process of updating the administrative rules as discussed. Schmitz seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

SCOPE OF PRACTICE FLOW CHART/VOTE: The board was presented with an updated scope of practice flow chart with changes discussed at the last meeting incorporated. Berg-Poppe reminded the board that the chart is just a tool to help licensees think through their scope of practice questions and is not intended for the board to provide advice on their scope of practice. Weigel made a motion to adopt the flow chart as presented. Ahrendt seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

COMPACT PRIVILEGE FEE INCREASE: The board discussed updating the compact fee to be more consistent with the fee licensees in South Dakota pay for a license. Following discussion, the board decided to table to topic until a later date. They plan to revisit the topic at a meeting this fall.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Schmitz made a motion to re-elect the current slate of officers with Berg-Poppe as President, Suel as Vice-President, and Schmitz as Secretary. Weigel seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING(S): The next meeting is scheduled for August 20, 2024 at 11AM MDT/12 PM CDT via Microsoft Teams. This meeting is also tentatively planned to serve as the public rules hearing for the administrative rule changes. Two more meetings were scheduled as follows: October 8, 2024 at 11AM MDT/12 PM CDT via Microsoft Teams and December 10, 2024 at 11AM MST/ 12 PM CST via

Microsoft Teams.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO SDCL 1-25-2: The board did not have a need to enter executive session.

COMPLAINTS/INVESTIGATIONS: The board office reported one pending complaint.

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

Toman made a motion to adjourn 1:07 PM CDT. Schmitz 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.