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**Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners**

**RULES AND PRACTICE  
Committee Meeting**

**333 Guadalupe, Suite 2-510  
Austin, Texas 78701**

**July 24, 2014  
1:00 pm**

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13 **Members Present:**      **Harvey Aikman, PT, Chair**  
14                                    **Gary Gray, PT**  
15                                    **Melinda Rodriguez, PT**  
16                                    **Philip Vickers, Public Member**

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18 **Staff:**                         Karen Gordon, PT Coordinator  
19                                    Danielle DeVellis, Investigator  
20                                    Cindy Machado, Licensing Manager

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22 **Guests:**                      Barbara Sanders, PT, TPTA Liaison  
23                                    Stacey Mather, TPTA Staff  
24                                    Amber Townsley, TPTA Staff

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- 27 A. Call to order
  - 28 B. Public comment
  - 29 C. Approval of minutes from the May 1, 2014 meeting
  - 30 D. Discussion and possible action on proposing changes to §341.6, License Restoration, regarding
  - 31     procedures for licenses expired for five years or more.
  - 32 E. Discussion and possible action on proposing changes to §329.6, Licensure by Endorsement,
  - 33     regarding Provisional Licensure.
  - 34 F. Discussion and possible action on proposing changes to §329.3, Temporary Licensure for
  - 35     Examination Candidates, regarding allowing temporary licensees to work on the basis of website
  - 36     verification of licensure.
  - 37 G. Discussion and possible action on proposing changes to §347.4, Requirements for Registration
  - 38     Application, regarding allowing facilities to begin treating patients on the basis of website verification
  - 39     of registration.
  - 40 H. Discussion and possible action on proposing changes to §322.1 Provision of Services regarding
  - 41     making changes to the reevaluation requirements and the role of the PTA in the Discharge.
  - 42 I. Discussion and possible action regarding addition of questions/answers to the Jurisprudence Exam.
  - 43 J. Discussion and possible action on future meeting dates and agenda items.
  - 44 K. Adjournment
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1 **A. Call to order**

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3 Harvey Aikman called roll and determined a quorum was present. He called the meeting to order at 1:05  
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6 **B. Public comment**

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8 There was no public comment.

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10 **C. Approval of minutes from the May 1, 2014 meeting**

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12 *Motion: To approve the minutes as submitted.*

13 *Made by: Gary Gray*

14 *Second: Philip Vickers*

15 *Motion passed unanimously.*

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17 **D. Discussion and possible action on proposing changes to §341.6, License Restoration,**  
18 **regarding procedures for licenses expired for five years or more.**

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20 The Committee discussed the type of application and fee and other requirements for an individual whose  
21 license had expired for five years or more. The committee took no action and tabled the item until the  
22 next meeting.

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24 **E. Discussion and possible action on proposing changes to §329.6, Licensure by Endorsement,**  
25 **regarding Provisional Licensure.**

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27 The Committee discussed eliminating references of 2-year work history due to legislative changes. The  
28 committee took no action and tabled the item until the next meeting.

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30 **F. Discussion and possible action on proposing changes to §329.3, Temporary Licensure for**  
31 **Examination Candidates, regarding allowing temporary licensees to work on the basis of website**  
32 **verification of licensure.**

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34 The Committee discussed allowing individuals approved for their temporary Texas license to begin work  
35 once their licensure could be verified on the website instead of having them wait until they received their  
36 paper license via mail. The committee took no action and tabled the item until the next meeting.

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38 **G. Discussion and possible action on proposing changes to §347.4, Requirements for**  
39 **Registration Application, regarding allowing facilities to begin treating patients on the basis of**  
40 **website verification.**

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42 The Committee agreed that no action would be taken on this item unless the OT Board entertained a  
43 companion motion in order to maintain consistency for facilities.

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45 **H. Discussion and possible action on proposing changes to §322.1 Provision of Services**  
46 **regarding making changes to the reevaluation requirements and the role of the PTA in the**  
47 **Discharge.**

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49 The Committee reviewed a letter from a PT licensee requesting that the PT Board consider amending  
50 the rule regarding reevaluation to reflect national language. The committee also reviewed Medicare  
51 requirements for reevaluation and received comment from Stacy Mathers regarding TPTA's suggestion  
52 to change the language from reevaluation to interaction. The Committee charged staff with preparing a  
53 comparison of the TX rule to other state rules regarding reevaluation and tabled the item until the next

1 meeting. The Committee decided that there was no action required on the role of the PTA in the  
2 completion of a Discharge Summary and that the item would be eliminated from the agenda.

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4 **I. Discussion and possible action regarding addition of questions/answers to the Jurisprudence**  
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7 The Committee reviewed the synopses of the new rules and instructed staff to prepare several new  
8 questions/answers to be reviewed at the next meeting.

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10 **J. Discussion and possible action on future meeting dates and agenda items**

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12 The Committee agreed that the agenda for the next meeting will include all of the tabled items as noted  
13 above with the addition of discussion and possible action on changing the renewal date to the birth  
14 month. The next committee meeting was set for October 23, 2014.

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16 **K. Adjournment**

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18 *Motion: To adjourn the meeting.*  
19 *Made by: Gary Gray*  
20 *Second: Philip Vickers*  
21 *Motion passed unanimously.*

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23 Mr. Aikman adjourned the meeting at 2:25 p.m.

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26 **Date reviewed by the Committee:** 10/23/2014  
27 **Action taken by the Committee:** approved as submitted

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