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Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners

**EDUCATION
Committee Meeting**

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

**October 12, 2017
1:00 p.m.**

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13 **Members Present:** Jeff Tout, PT
14 Liesl Olson, PT
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16 **Members Absent:** Barbara Sanders, PT, PhD, Chair
17 Glenda Clausell, Public Member
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19 **Staff:** John Maline, Executive Director
20 Karen Gordon, PT Coordinator
21 Mark Turek, Chief Investigator
22 Michael Briscoe, Licensing Manager
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24 **Legal Counsel:** Kara Holsinger, Assistant Attorney General
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26 **Guests:** Craig Tonguet, Texas Physical Therapy Association (TPTA) Executive Director
27 Stacey Mather, TPTA Staff
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30 A. Call to order
31 B. Public comment
32 C. Approval of minutes from the July 20, 2017 meeting.
33 D. Discussion and possible action on the Texas Physical Therapy Association (TPTA) Continuing
34 Competence Approval Program (CCAP) report.
35 E. Discussion and possible action on developing a Request For Proposal (RFP) for outsourcing
36 continuing competence activities approval.
37 F. Discussion and possible action on proposing changes to §329.2. Licensure by Examination
38 pursuant to SB 317 amendments to Sec. 453.205. LICENSE EXAMINATION, Occupations Code
39 and Sec. 453.207 REEXAMINATION, Occupations Code during the 85th Legislative Session.
40 G. Discussion and possible action on proposing changes to §341.2. Continuing Competence
41 Requirements pursuant to SB 317 amendment to Sec. 453.254 CONTINUING COMPETENCE,
42 Occupations Code during the 85th Legislative Session.
43 H. Discussion and possible action on a request for review of educational credentials from a foreign-
44 educated physical therapist.
45 I. Discussion and possible action on requests for appeals to re-take the National Physical
46 Therapy Examination (NPTE).
47 J. Discussion and possible action on issues related to physical therapy entry-level education and
48 continuing competence.
49 K. Discussion and possible action on future meeting dates and agenda items.
50 L. Adjournment
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53 **A. Call to order**

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55 Jeff Tout, acting Chair in the absence of Dr. Sanders, called roll and determined a quorum was present.
56 He called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.
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1 **B. Public comment**

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3 There was no public comment.
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5 **C. Approval of minutes from the July 20, 2017 meeting.**

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7 Motion: To approve the minutes as submitted.
8 Made by: Liesl Olson
9 Second: Jeff Tout

10 *Motion passed unanimously.*

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12 **D. Discussion and possible action on the Texas Physical Therapy Association (TPTA)**
13 **Continuing Competence Approval Program (CCAP) report.**

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15 Stacey Mather reported that the processing time for CCAP applications is now averaging 2 - 4 weeks
16 if there are no issues with the submission, and reviewed the CCAP Application Processing Data. She
17 also reported that PTwebucation.com has been approved as an accredited provider, and several other
18 reaccreditations of providers have been completed since the Board's last meeting.

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20 There were several action items contained within the CCAP report that the Committee reviewed and
21 discussed.

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23 Motion: To recommend upholding the denial of Application #180738.
24 Made by: Liesl Olson
25 Second: Jeff Tout

26 *Motion passed unanimously.*

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28 The Committee issued a cautionary note for the reviewers that just because an author/presenter of a
29 CC course is not licensed in the US would not preclude them from being an appropriate speaker or
30 author of a course, and that a PT who does not have a DPT could be an appropriate speaker or author
31 of a course with DPTs in the audience or taking a course online based on specialized training and
32 experience.

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34 Motion: To recommend denying granting credit for written case study reflections.
35 Made by: Liesl Olson
36 Second: Jeff Tout

37 *Motion passed unanimously.*

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39 Motion: To recommend the clarification of documentation as either the certificate or
40 letter of attendance/completion to be included in the CCAP Policy Manual.
41 Made by: Liesl Olson
42 Second: Jeff Tout

43 *Motion passed unanimously.*

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45 Motion: To recommend the clarification of participant attendance tracking at live courses
46 to be included in the CCAP Policy Manual.
47 Made by: Liesl Olson
48 Second: Jeff Tout

49 *Motion passed unanimously.*

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51 **E. Discussion and possible action on developing a Request For Proposal (RFP) for**
52 **outsourcing continuing competence activities approval.**

1 Ms. Gordon reviewed the legislative requirement for an RFP if the Board decides to continue
2 outsourcing continuing competence activities approval. The Committee charged her to develop an
3 outline of the current process and present it at the next meeting for review.
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6 **F. Discussion and possible action on proposing changes to §329.2. Licensure by**
7 **Examination pursuant to SB 317 amendments to Sec. 453.205. LICENSE EXAMINATION,**
8 **Occupations Code and Sec. 453.207 REEXAMINATION, Occupations Code during the**
9 **85th Legislative Session.**

10 The Committee reviewed the rule changes necessitated as a result of the statute amendment.

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13 Motion: To recommend approving the proposed changes to §329.2. Licensure by
14 Examination.

15 Made by: Liesl Olson

16 Second: Jeff Tout

17 *Motion passed unanimously.*
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19 **G. Discussion and possible action on proposing changes to §341.2. Continuing**
20 **Competence Requirements pursuant to SB 317 amendment to Sec. 453.254**
21 **CONTINUING COMPETENCE, Occupations Code during the 85th Legislative Session.**
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23 The Committee reviewed the rule changes necessitated as a result of the statute amendment.

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25 Motion: To recommend approving the proposed changes to §341.2. Continuing
26 Competence Requirements.

27 Made by: Liesl Olson

28 Second: Jeff Tout

29 *Motion passed unanimously.*
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31 **H. Discussion and possible action on a request for review of educational credentials from**
32 **a foreign-educated physical therapist.**
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34 The Committee discussed the credentials evaluation and support documentation provided by the
35 foreign-educated physiotherapist.

36 Motion: To bring forward the discussion and recommendation to the Board.

37 Made by: Liesl Olson

38 Second: Jeff Tout

39 *Motion passed unanimously.*
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41 **I. Discussion and possible action on requests for appeals to re-take the National**
42 **Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE).**
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44 The Committee discussed the requests for appeals to re-take the NPTE.

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46 Motion: To recommend that request #1 for an appeal to re-take the NPTE be
47 granted.

48 Made by: Liesl Olson

49 Second: Jeff Tout

50 *Motion passed unanimously.*
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52 Motion: To recommend that request #2 for an appeal to re-take the NPTE be
53 granted.

54 Made by: Liesl Olson

55 Second: Jeff Tout

1 *Motion passed unanimously.*

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3 **J. Discussion and possible action on issues related to physical therapy entry-level**
4 **Education and continuing competence.**

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6 Ms. Gordon presented information on the Best Practices for Physical Therapist Clinical Education that
7 was reported to the American Physical Therapy Association 2017 House of Delegates and the response
8 from the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy.

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10 She also reported that the 2018 NPTE fee increase has been deferred to 2019, and that new content
11 outlines are available for the NPTE.

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13 There was no action on any of the items.

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15 **K. Discussion and possible action on future meeting dates and agenda items.**

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17 The next committee meeting was set for January 25, 2018 in Austin with discussion of the CC Approval
18 RFP included on the agenda.

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20 **M. Adjournment**

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22 Motion: To adjourn the meeting.

23 Made by: Liesl Olson

24 Second: Jeff Tout

25 *Motion passed unanimously.*

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27 Mr. Tout adjourned the meeting at 2:34 p.m.

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30 **Date reviewed by the Committee:** 1/25/2018

31 **Action taken by the Committee:** approved as submitted