

Texas Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners
RULES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Rules Committee
August 4, 2016
333 Guadalupe, Suite #2-510
Austin, TX 78701
3:00 PM

Committee Members Present: Sally Harris, COTA
Amanda Jean Ellis, Public Member

Committee Members Absent: DeLana Honaker, OTR, PhD, FAOTA,
Rules Committee Chair

Counsel Present: Kara Holsinger, Assistant Attorney General

Staff Present: John Maline, Executive Director
Mark Turek, Chief Investigator
Cynthia Machado, Licensing Manager
Michael Briscoe, Asst. Licensing Manager
Lea Weiss, OT Coordinator

1. Call to Order

Sally Harris, who chaired the meeting in DeLana Honaker's absence, called the roll and established that a quorum existed. The meeting was called to order at 3:07 PM.

2. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

3. Approval of Minutes of February 19-20, 2016 Rules Committee meeting

Motion: To approve the minutes as written

Made by: Amanda Ellis

Second by: Sally Harris

Motion passed.

4. Discussion and possible action on proposing a rule amendment to §369.1, Display of Licenses

The Committee discussed changes to §369.1, Display of Licenses, which would clarify the section by removing the provision that the wallet-sized license must be carried by the licensee when in practice settings other than the licensee's principal place of business. The changes would also clarify in this section that a licensee may provide occupational therapy services according to the terms of the license upon online verification of current licensure and license expiration date from the Board's license verification page by removing language referring only to a new licensee with a regular or temporary license. The change would align this section with other existing sections that refer to additional license types that may be verified online.

Motion: To recommend changes to §369.1, Display of Licenses, as discussed

Made by: Amanda Ellis

Second by: Sally Harris

Motion passed.

1 **5. Discussion and possible action on proposing a new rule section regarding**
2 **licensure of individuals with criminal convictions**

3 The Committee discussed that any action on the item would wait until the Sunset Commission
4 had rendered its decision regarding the Sunset Staff Report recommendation concerning
5 directing the Board to adopt rules to specify the types of criminal activities that may result in
6 denial, suspension, or revocation of a license.
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8 **6. Discussion and possible action on changes to the Jurisprudence Examination**

9 Sally Harris reordered the agenda to discuss agenda item 7 prior to agenda item 6.

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11 The Committee discussed changes to the Jurisprudence Examination.
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13 **7. Discussion and possible action on questions received by the Texas Board of**
14 **Occupational Therapy Examiners related to the OT Practice Act and Board Rules**

15 The Committee discussed questions related to the OT Practice Act and Board Rules as
16 received by the Texas Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners.
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18 **8. Discussion and possible action on future meeting dates and agenda items**

19 The Committee discussed a possible meeting date of November 3, 2016, during the TOTA
20 Mountain Central Conference in Sugar Land.
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22 **9. Adjournment**

23 The Committee adjourned at 3:32 PM.
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25 **Minutes adopted on:** November 3, 2016