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BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN PHYSICAL THERAPY



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Minutes of January 21, 2025, Public Board Meeting

Virtual Meeting Public Notification and Hearing/Viewing Instructions Provided at the Opening of the Meeting by Board Chair Anderson.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Anderson called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Leslie Anderson, Physical Therapist, Chair

Jennifer Adrienne McAuley, Physical Therapist, Vice Chair

Tracie Papsadora, Physical Therapist, Complaint Officer

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ashley Gagnon, Physical Therapist

STAFF PRESENT

Geraldine L. Betts, Administrator

Megan Hudson-MacRae, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel

Meagan McLaughlin, Comprehensive Health Planner II

Clark Phinney, Comprehensive Health Planner II

Dominic Cotone, Comprehensive Health Planner I

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MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Review and approval of the minutes of October 8, 2024

Papsadora moved to accept the minutes of October 8, 2024, as presented. Seconded McAuley, Anderson in favor, Gagnon absent.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Papsadora moved to re-elect Anderson as Board Chair, seconded by McAuley. Anderson in favor, Gagnon absent.

Anderson moved to re-elect McAuley as Board Vice-Chair, seconded by Papsadora. Anderson in favor, Gagnon absent.

Anderson moved to re-elect Papsadora as Board Complaint Officer, seconded by McAuley. Anderson in favor, Gagnon absent.

APPLICATION REVIEW AND BOARD ACTION

Isabella Cook (Exam Eligibility)

Anderson moved to approve the exam eligibility request of Issabella Cook for 7th attempt at the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE). Seconded by McAuley. Papsadora in favor, Gagnon absent.

REVIEW OF SUPERVISION

2024-PHY-19870

Papsadora moved to terminate the probationary requirement of 2024-PHY-19870. Seconded by McAuley. Anderson in favor, Gagnon absent.

REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION

Brittany Chapin, DPT, CBIS, Maine Center for Integrated Rehab

Papsadora moved to approve the request of Ms. Chapin to supervise three (3) Physical Therapy Assistants. Seconded by Papsadora, Gagnon in favor, McAuley abstained.

BOARD ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Administrator Betts discussed the Physical Therapy compact that was passed by the Maine Legislature in 2023 which will take effect January 1, 2026. Administrator Betts provided members with preparations required to implement this compact. Board members made a request to add this agenda item to the May 13, 2025, board meeting agenda for a more discussion.

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PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

Issabella Cook addressed the board regarding her exam eligibility and thanked the Board for their consideration.

Christine Helstrom, Rehab Services Manager from Caribou, Maine addressed the Board regarding the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) agreement with our Board and when she could expect the contract to be in place.

Sandy Meyers, Director of Rehabilitation, Northern Light Hospital, Waterville, Maine addressed the Board about the new Physical Therapy compact and details regarding this new law.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:27 a.m. Seconded by McAuley. Papsadora in favor, Gagnon absent.

Prepared by: Meagan McLaughlin, Comprehensive Health Planner II

Board Approved: May 13, 2025