

Oregon Board of Physical Therapy
Board Meeting Minutes
Jan 17 and Jan 19, 2024

Wednesday, January 17

Board Members Present: Erica Shanahan, PTA, Chair; Hoku Okumura, PT, Vice Chair; Erin Crawford, PT; Sandra Hahn; Becca Reisch, PT; Michael Rennick, PT; Susan Reynolds, PT; Dwight Terry

Board Members Absent: None

Staff: Michelle Sigmund-Gaines, Executive Director; Sherri Paru, PT, Clinical Advisor/Investigator, Gayla Goodwin, Licensing Coordinator, Sarah Casey, Operations and Policy Analyst.

Staff Absent: None.

Legal Counsel: Joanna Tucker Davis, AAG.

PUBLIC (OPEN) SESSION

Chair Shanahan convened the Board into Public Session at 4:30 PM for the purpose of roll call. No members of the public were present.

EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION

After roll call, the meeting entered into Executive Session at 4:32 PM pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(f) and ORS 192.660(2)(L).

At 8:22 PM, Chair Shanahan adjourned Executive Session.

Friday, January 19 [Meeting Recording](#)

PUBLIC (OPEN) SESSION

Chair Shanahan convened the Board into Public Session at 8:40 AM.

Board Members Present: Erica Shanahan, PTA, Chair; Hoku Okumura, PT, Vice Chair; Erin Crawford, PT; Sandra Hahn; Becca Reisch, PT; Michael Rennick, PT; Susan Reynolds, PT; Dwight Terry.

Board Members Absent: None

Staff: Michelle Sigmund-Gaines, Executive Director; Sherri Paru, PT, Clinical Advisor/Investigator, Gayla Goodwin, Licensing Coordinator, Sarah Casey, Operations and Policy Analyst.

Staff Absent: None

Legal Counsel: Joanna Tucker Davis, AAG.

Members of the Public Present: Yes

Board Motions:

Case PT 775-08/22

Motion by Member Okumura to close case.
Motion seconded by Member Reisch.
Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 8-0.

Case PT 782-08/22

Motion by Member Okumura to close case.
Motion seconded by Member Reisch.
Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7-0. Member Crawford Abstained.

Case PT 824-08/23

Motion by Member Okumura of finding of sufficient evidence of violation of ORS 688.140(2)(a)(b)(e), OAR 848-045-0020(2)(i), OAR 848-040-0145(3) and OAR 848-040-0170(#1).
Motion seconded by Member Reisch.
Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 8-0.

Case PT 832-10/23

Motion by Member Okumura of finding of sufficient evidence of violation of ORS 688.135(1)(a)(c), ORS 688.140(2)(a)(d)(f), OAR 848-045-0020(2)(i), OAR 848-040-0155(#1)(a)(b) and (2) and OAR 848-040-0170(#1).
Motion seconded by Member Reisch.
Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 8-0.

Case PT 831-10/23

Motion by Member Okumura of finding of sufficient evidence of violation of ORS 688.135(5) ORS 688.140(2)(a)(k)(A), and (m), OAR 848-045-0020(2)(i)(j)(l)(n), and (2)(p)(A).
Motion seconded by Member Reisch.
Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 8-0.

Case PT 835-11/23

Motion by Member Okumura to close case.
Motion seconded by Member Reisch.
Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 8-0.

Case PT 836-12/23

Motion by Member Okumura to revoke license for violations of ORS 688.135(2) and (5), ORS 688.140(2)(a)(k)(A), (m) and (t), and OAR 848-045-0020(2)(i)(j)(l)(m) and (p)(A), and OAR 848-040-0105(6).
Motion seconded by Member Reisch.
Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 8-0.

Case PT 843-12/23

Motion by Member Okumura to deny application for license for violations of ORS 688.120, ORS 688.140(2)(a)(c) and OAR 848-010-0044(2)(3) and (7).

Motion seconded by Member Reisch.
Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 8-0.

Case PT 838-12/23, PT 842-12/23, PT 837-12/23 and PT 826-09/23

Motion by Member Okumura to ratify the administrative closure of these cases pursuant to delegated authority.

Motion seconded by Member Reisch.
Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 8-0.

Consent Agenda Items

The following items were presented as a consent agenda. Board members reviewed the items prior to the meeting.

- 1 Board Meeting Minutes, Draft—Nov 15 and 17, 2023.
- 2 Ratification of PT/PTA Licenses & Temp Permits issued Nov 1, 2023 – Dec 31, 2023.
- 3 Executive Director’s Report for Jan 2024.

Member Okumura moved to approve the consent agenda items as written.
Member Reisch seconded the motion.
Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 8-0.

Public Comments

None.

Board Member/Committee/Delegate Reports

PT Compact Commission and FSBPT Delegate Update:

PTCC:

31 Jurisdictions currently issuing Compact Privileges. Alabama is expected to start Mid-2024. Staff Casey has been appointed to the Education and Outreach Committee.

FSBPT:

Staff Paru has been appointed Chair of Sexual Misconduct & Boundaries Committee. The Regulatory Workshop is scheduled for May 16-18 and will be held both in-person and virtual.
Our Delegate and Alternate Delegate will need to be selected at the March Meeting.

Strategic Plan Progress Review:

We will begin the planning process for the next forecast at our March meeting with the purpose of creating the updated plan. We will be transitioning the current strategic planning materials into the statewide formats.

Update from Rule Advisory Committee on OAR 848 Division 40

The recent meeting was to identify issues and gather info. Next meeting will take place in April-May to begin the process of addressing issues and gather recommendations to present to the Board.

Open Roundtable:

Review of the Jan 2024 Clear Symposium attended by Staff Paru and Director Sigmund-Gaines.

Board General Discussion & Action Items**2024 Legislative Session:**

Current known legislative concepts being introduced by other parties were reviewed. These included LC 98, LC 146, LC 219 Sec 40, and LC 256. Legislative concepts may or may not be introduced as bills in this session.

2024 Renewals

Migration to system upgrade was postponed due to the timing of renewals. Changes specific to renewals have been completed. We started with a soft launch of renewals. Board agreed to having staff send a postcard reminder.

OHA Workforce Data Survey:

Completion of the survey is required for all health professionals at renewal. OHA proposed adding questions addressing burnout/mental health. Concerns from Boards regarding types of questions asked being inappropriate for a mandatory survey and without any follow-up for those that may be in crisis. OHA is reconsidering. OHA intends to add SOGI Demographics to the survey in 2025. We are working to develop a partnership with OHA to improve the timing of data collection and analysis.

Other Business

Member Reynolds inquired about the Certified PT Aide program being offered at a Community College. Board Staff will plan to bring additional information to a future meeting.

Member Michael Rennick announced he has volunteered to participate on the FSBPT workforce committee.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:50 AM.