

**STATE OF INDIANA
BEFORE THE
PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD**

Notice is hereby given that the
Indiana Physical Therapy Board
will meet in person and virtually/electronically through Zoom on
August 7, 2024 beginning at 10:00 A.M.

MEETING MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM 10:02 A.M.**
Board Members Present: Megan Certo, Heather Freeman, Therese Eutsler, Elizabeth Bailey, Sean Bagbey
Staff Present: Toby Snell, Ashlee Scott, Bradley Repass, Clarence Leatherbury, Jill Haddad
2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA** Motion made by TE and seconded by EB to adopt the agenda
Motion carries 5-0-0
3. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES** Motion made by HF and seconded by SB to adopt the minutes
Motion carries 5-0-0
4. **REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**
Autumn Murphy

COURT REPORTER Margie Addington

Sean Bagbey and Ashlee Scott Conduct the Personal appearance for renewals in Room CC-4

5. **VIRTUAL PERSONAL APPEARANCE**

A. Nicole Houser Renewal Positive Response

Ms Houser appears virtually

Went thru a divorce and made bad decisions

Was not placed on criminal probation and she did meet with a counselor to help her through it. She has started taking medication for anxiety to help. She has also stated that she has not completed her required continuing education for this renewal

Motion made by TE and seconded by HF to deny the renewal. She will need to submit another renewal after completing her required continuing education and provide copies of her certificates. She will need to appear at the next available meeting.

Motion carries 4-0-0

6. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING

A. Hossam Youssef 05003265A

Petition to Withdraw Probation 2020 PTB 0001

Mr Youssef appears without counsel

Britney McMahan appears on behalf of the state

Motion made by HF and seconded by TE to withdraw the probation

Motion carries 4-0-0

B. Helen Hatfield 06005197A

Petition to Withdraw Probation 2022 PTB 0003

Ms Hatfield appears

Autumn Murphy appears on behalf of the state

Motion made by TE and seconded by EB to withdraw the probation early

Motion carries 4-0-0

Sean Bagbey and Ashlee Scott returns back to the meeting in W064

C. Tonna Grigsby 06003432A

Petition to Reinstate 2024 PTB 0001

Ms Grigsby appears

Britney McMahan appears on behalf of the state

Motion made by TE and seconded by HF to reinstate the license from suspension

Motion carries 4-0-1

Motion made by SB and seconded by HF to place the license on probation no less than 2 years

Motion carries 4-0-1

7. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

A. Meghan Earls -Initial Application PR

Ms Earls appears

09/2023 Meghan entered into a plea agreement for OWI and was placed on probation for 6 months. Has completed all requirements.

Motion made by HF and seconded by TE to approve the license free and clear

Motion carries 5-0-0

B. Craig Snider- Initial Application PR

Mr Snider appears

Charged with OWI. He pled guilty. Received a second OWI.

Found a doctor based on what he had been experiencing for the last two years. He started suffering from tremors in his hands, trouble with speech, irritability and increased anger. Since seeing his doctor, things are getting better, and he was properly diagnosed. On criminal probation until 2027.

Motion made by EB and seconded by TE to approve the license on probation
Motion carries 5-0-0

8. DISCUSSION

A. Practice Ruling

1. Question:

Title 842 states that a PT can supervise no more than the equivalent of 3 full-time PTAs if face-to-face daily consultant is not occurring. Does this mean that a PT can supervise 2 full time PTAs and 2 part-time PTAs? Can you please provide clarity on what "the equivalent of 3 full time PTAs" means? Also, please clarify what face-to-face contact entails. Does FaceTime or Zoom count? When daily interaction is face-to-face is the ruling that 4 PTAs may be supervised by 1 PT? Also, where is the source doc for this ruling?

Board Answer:

The board does not offer any additional information to this question.

2. Question:

Clarify if "direct supervision" of a PT aide means the PT must be within the line of sight while the aide performs designated tasks, or can the PT simply be present in the building?

Board Answer:

Refer to the definition of the PT aide. A PT aide may only be used in an operational task.
Refer to the definition of a task and then go to the definition of direct supervision.
Refer them to the definitions located in APTA.org level of supervision
PT and PTA are always responsible for the PT Aide.

3. Question:

Provide clarity if a physical therapist with an Indiana license practicing in Indiana may provide wellness services, such as sports performance enhancement or personal training, without being restricted to the Physical Therapy Practice Act requirement of requiring a referral from a qualified provider after 42 days. This would be in a case where no physical therapy services related to a PT plan of care for rehabilitation/habilitation are provided, truly wellness or personal training.

Board Answer:

Tabled until November 6th meeting

B. FSBPT Annual meeting

This will be held in Iowa on October 31, 2024-November 2, 2024

FSBPT would like to have as many board members as possible and administrative staff to attend to accept the excellence award. They will also fund a speaker from each state. Two spots available administrative side and board member side. 5–7-minute presentation as to what the state did to win this award.

9. PERSONAL APPEARANCES IN ROOM CC-4 FOR RENEWALS

A. Shane Wallen

Shane appears

10/3/23 had manic episode and attack another person (was not a patient) and was arrested. Checked into psychiatric hospital for 27 days. Now taking meds and still attending counseling. Charged with misdemeanor domestic battery. 24-week domestic program, probation will be complete 02/2025 RECOMMEND ON PROBATION FOR NOT LESS THAN 1 YEAR, QUARTERLY REPORTS every 90 days, DOCUMENTATION OF COMPLETION OF CRIMINAL PROBATION.

Motion made by TE and seconded by EB to renew on probation, signed order from employer, self-quarterly reports,

Motion carries 5-0-0

A. Sarah Farmer

Sarah appears

2022 started seeing a patient. A few months after the patient was discharged, she started a relationship with the patient and accepted a large monetary gift. The patient's family found out and reported it. She was terminated. She is currently practicing "skilled nursing" and has completed CEs for ethics and jurisprudence. Recommends going before the full board. Full board review

Motion made by TE and seconded by EB to renew the license free and clear and issue a letter of reprimand.

Motion carries 5-0-0

B. Allison Bush

Allison appears

Had 2 drinks after work. swerved and hit a parking ticket box and it fell over. In DADS program until 4/11/2025. Completed alcohol assessment on 8/6/24 and counseling. Has to do monthly drug screening until the program is completed.

Recommend probation with quarterly reports until completion of criminal probation. (DADS program), need documentation of completion of probation.

Motion made by SB and seconded by TE to renew the license on probation no less than 9 months with quarterly self-reports.

Motion carries 5-0-0

C. Alexa Mirza

Alexa appears

10/2023 charged with DUI. Plead to misdemeanor. Received another one in December 2023 and was charged with another DUI. Checked self into inpatient rehab for 30 days, then completed outpatient rehab. Now back to practicing 3 days a week.

Currently in 2-year program with court for drug screening and monthly check in. Once the program is complete the felony will be dismissed. 8 months sober. Recommends probation until completion of criminal probation. Quarterly reports every 3 months.

Motion made by TE and seconded by HF to renew on probation, self-quarterly reports, Motion carries 5-0-0

D. William Cowger II

William appears

Received second DUI in 2022. Was initially pulled over for speeding. Blew .06 but blood draw showed THC in system. Completed all criminal probation in 4/2024 and on specialized driving privileges until March 2025. Recommended to renew license free and clear.

Motion made by HF and seconded by TE to renew the license free and clear

Motion carries 5-0-0

E. Kendra Sponn

Kendra Sponn

Terminated in 01/2023. Complaint for being rude and made a comment about the meeting in front of students. Currently practicing at another job since March 2023. No complaints and states everything is going great. Recommends appearing before the full board. Full board review.

Motion made by SB and seconded by TE to approve the renewal on probation no less than 6 months completing six hours of CE that is preapproved by board. Supervisory reports, signed order by employer,

Motion carries 5-0-0

F. Ethan Hancock

Ethan fails to appear

Motion made by TE and seconded by EB to deny the renewal

Motion carries 5-0-0

G. Marcie Muhlbeier

Marcie appears

Reprimanded and terminated in May 2024 for something someone else had done.

Was having issues with another co-worker going to supervisor saying she was lying for multiple things. Currently practicing at another place with no issues.

Recommended to renew free and clear.

Motion made by HF and seconded by TE to renew the license free and clear

Motion carries 5-0-0

H. Craig Roberts

Craig fails to appear

Motion made by SB and seconded by TE to deny the renewal

Motion carries 5-0-0

I. Derek Goins

Derek appears

OWI in November with an accident. Didn't want to wait on uber due to kid being at home sick and trying to get home to child. Currently on probation until 01/2025.

Completed all treatment and evals required by courts. Completed MAD program.

Recommended probation until completion of criminal probation with documentation of completion. Quarterly reports.

Motion made by HF and seconded by TE to renew the license on probation for 6 months, with self-quarterly reports and proof of probation completion.

Motion carries 5-0-0

J. Dylan Scripture

Dylan appears

March 2024 received OWI misdemeanor. 6months probation, specialized driving from 6am-8pm, drug and alcohol assessments. Attends meetings every 2 weeks. Completes criminal probation 9/22/24. Recommend probation for 6 months. Quarterly reports, completion of criminal probation.

Motion made by TE and seconded by HF to renew on probation for 6 months with self-quarterly reports

Motion carries 5-0-0

K. Lon Mills

Lon appears

Was terminated on 03/2023. Disagreement on scheduling patients. Cardon and Select have an agreement with home-health. Was employed by Cardon. Cardon terminated over the phone with supervisor, and then hired on full time with Select and been there ever since. Recommend renewing free and clear.

Motion made by TE and seconded by EB to renew free and clear

Motion carries 5-0-0

L. Kenneth Dugger

Kenneth appears

Working outpatient setting and terminated in 01/2024 for exchanging conversation outside of work with patient. A complaint was filed with the company. Now working with inpatient skilled nursing since March 2024. Recommend probation with 6 hours in CEs in ethics and jurisprudence, quarterly reports.

Motion made by HF and seconded by SB to renew on probation for one year with self-quarterly reports, completion of 6 hours of CE

Motion carries 5-0-0

M. Darla Sullivan

Darla appears

Arrested and has pending charges for false informing. Recommends full board review.

Appears before the full board

Motion made by SB and seconded by TE to renew fee and clear. She is to keep the board updated with the pending charges.

Motion carries 5-0-0

N. Brenda Loggins

Brenda appears

5/6/24 was pulled over, police searched vehicle and found drugs. My stepdaughter has drug problems and is using the vehicle but registered to Brenda. My stepdaughter no longer lives in home. Charges are pending for possession of Methamphetamine. Still employed but cannot treat patients until resolved. Recommended to appear before full board. Appears before the full board.

Motion made by SB and seconded by TE to renew the license free and clear. She is to keep the board updated with the pending charges.

Motion carries 5-0-0

10. PROBATION REPORT

11. ADJOURNMENT 3:32 P.M.

Megan Certo.

Megan Certo, Board Chair

**Next Meeting Date:
November 6, 2024**