MINUTES INDIANA ATHLETIC TRAINERS BOARD MAY 13, 2025

9:00 a.m. (local time) 402 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, W064 INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204

CALL TO ORDER & ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

9:03 a.m.

Scott Lawrance called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and declared a quorum in accordance with Indiana Code § 25-5.1.

Members present:

Scott Lawrance
John Doherty
Jenna Walls
Larry Leverenz
Jennifer VanSickle

Members absent:

None

Staff Present:

Amy Hall, Board Director, Indiana Professional Licensing Agency Chris Shea-Russell, Assistant Board Director, Indiana Professional Licensing Agency Jill Haddad, Advisory Counsel

`ALL VOTES ROLL CALL VOTE

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made to approve the amended agenda. John Doherty and seconded by Jennifer VanSickle

Motion Carried: 5/0/0

Scott Lawrance - YEA
Jenna Walls - YEA
Larry Leverenz - YEA
Jennifer VanSickle - YEA
John Doherty - YEA

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 8, 2024, MEETING

A motion was made to adopt the minutes from the October 8, 2024, meeting. There was an error with which has been changed and updated.

Motion made by Jenna Walls and seconded by John Doherty.

Motion Carried: 5/0/0

Scott Lawrance - YEA
John Doherty - YEA
Larry Leverenz - YEA
Jennifer VanSickle - YEA
Jenna Walls - YEA

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 11, 2025, MEETING

A motion was made to adopt the amended minutes of the February 11, 2025, meeting. There was an error with which has been changed and updated.

Motion made by Larry Leverenz and seconded by Jennifer VanSickle.

Motion Carried: 5/0/0

Scott Lawrance - YEA John Doherty - YEA Larry Leverenz - YEA Jennifer VanSickle - YEA Jenna Walls - YEA

REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Ian Matthews reported to the board. There is currently 1 open investigative consumer complaint. There are no open litigation files open.

PERSONAL APPEARANCE

Zachary Sweatman – Positive Response – Initial Application

Zachary Sweatman appeared in person on his application's positive response. He discussed in chronological order of events. Three years ago, he was a professor and the strength conditioning coach in Wisconsin. His personal life was rocky, and his wife left him. He confided in a student athlete to hold his head above water. A relationship formed with this athlete. Coworkers learned of this and he shared with his coworkers and the university of this relationship and resigned. He does not intentionally want to work in Indiana at the present time but wants to open the door of opportunity just in case he wishes to work in Indiana. His Athletic Trainer

license is on probationary status in Kentucky and Illinois. He is not to work in an educational institution of any kind and must attend counseling to meet the requirements of his probation. NATA gave him a one year suspension and BOC gave him a private censure of which he submits counselling therapy reports.

A motion was made by Larry Leverenz and seconded by Jennifer VanSickle to approve the application on probation. The probation will run concurrently with the probation in Kentucky and Illinois, no practicing in educational institutions, quarterly reports from employer but if he is not working in Indiana, then self-reports are required.

Motion Carried: 5/0/0

Scott Lawrance - YEA
John Doherty - YEA
Larry Leverenz - YEA
Jennifer VanSickle - YEA
Jenna Walls - YEA

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

1. Athletic Training Compact

There is a national push for the athletic trainers to have a Compact to allow easier access for licensure for athletic trainers. States still maintain their autonomy and requirements will be maintained. There are many unanswered questions. There needs to be more information provided as the work is being created for the Compact.

2. Continuing Education Guidelines

Current Graduates are currently required to have 25 hours of continuing education if they are licensed for more than six months whereas if one is licensed for less than six months, no continuing education is required. There is discussion of changing the requirements to reflect what the BOC requires. To reflect graduation dates and prorate the hours. Scott Lawrance and John Doherty will make up the rules committee. Scott Lawrance will reach out to the local association to be involved in the rules committee.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Jennnifer VanSickle and seconded by John Doughtery to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:58.

Motion Carried: 5/0/0

Scott Lawrance - YEA Jenna Walls - YEA Larry Leverenz – YEA Jennifer VanSickle – YEA John Doughtery - YEA

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING October 7, 2025

Scott Lawrance, Chair