On April 30, 2018, the Board of Physical Therapy met at Department of Health, Creekside Two at CenterPoint, 20425 72nd Ave S, Suite 307 Kent, WA

MEMBERS PRESENT
Renee Compton, PTA, Chair
Andrew Wodka, PT, DPT, Vice-Chair
Ticha Green, PT, DPT
Chrisandra Osborne, PT, DPT
Kathryn Dale, PT
Don Prest, Public Member - Absent

STAFF PRESENT
Kris Waidely, Program Manager
Brandon Williams, Program Associate
Martin Pottioni, DOH-OHP Director
Lilia Lopez, AAG Advisor
Bill Kellington, Supervising Staff Attorney
Maura Craig, Policy Analyst

GUESTS PRESENT
Jackie Barry, Executive Director (PTWA)
Melissa Johnson, Lobbyist (PTWA)
Shana Robbins, physical therapy student

OPEN SESSION

1. CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order by Renee Compton, PTA, Chair, at 10:00 a.m.
   1.1. Introductions – The board, staff and guests introduced themselves.
   1.2. Approval of Agenda – The agenda was approved as presented.
   1.3. Approval of meeting minutes from February 5, 2018 – The meeting minutes were approved as presented.

2. RULES HEARING – 10:00 a.m.
   Rules considered were to clarify and expand the definition of sexual misconduct to establish clearer standards of conduct for physical therapists and physical therapist assistants, to add specific language to permit military spouses and domestic partners to be considered for expedited licensure if meeting the specific requirements, to establish more current and appropriate examination standards for physical therapy applicants, to repeal existing rules that are not
consistent with laws or other regulations of the state, and to amend and update continuing competency requirements as a prerequisite to renewing a PT or PTA license among other things. The hearing was concluded at 11:01 a.m.

3. FEDERATION OF STATE BOARDS OF PHYSICAL THERAPY (FSBPT) UPDATES
   • 2018 NPTE Policies
     The board reviewed the 2018 National Physical Therapy Examination Policies document that provides an overview of the policies followed by the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy in the development and administration of the NPTE. There were no comments.

   • 2018 FSBPT March News Brief
     Highlights of the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) March 2018 edition of Federation News Briefs were reviewed. Of special note was recognition of Washington State becoming the third jurisdiction to opt into the new alternate approval process (AAP). There was interest in looking into ProCert continuing competency activity certification.

4. NEWSLETTER
   Dr. Green shared the articles she had created and compiled on the new educational requirement changes and on the required 200 hours of clinical experience. The statistics and the “What would you do?” sections will continue in the next issue. Additional articles to be written include a reminder about suicide risk prevention training, news on the PT Compact, a status report on the progress of the new rules, on supervision, the new CE hours, and a reminder of spinal manipulation CE requirements. Articles on board member recruitment and about the new online licensure renewal application process will also be written. The end of May was determined as the deadline for submitting articles to Mr. Williams for creation of a June publication.

5. FEDERATION OF STATE BOARDS OF PHYSICAL THERAPY (FSBPT) 2018 ANNUAL MEETING AND DELEGATE ASSEMBLY
   The board voted for the delegate and alternate delegate to attend the 2018 FSBPT Annual Meeting and Delegate Assembly, October 25-27, 2018, in Reston, Virginia. The delegate and alternate delegate are fully funded by the FSBPT.

   MOTION: The motion was made to designate Renee Compton as delegate and Chrisandra Osborne as alternate delegate to attend the 2018 FSBPT meeting in October 25-27, 2018. The motion was seconded and approved.

6. CORRESPONDENCE
   The board reviewed and discussed correspondence received regarding the Home Waiver Program. Ms. Waidely will reply to the Home Waiver Program letting them know the board is looking further into their program and request.

7. APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL TO RECEIVE LISTS/LABELS
   The board voted on requests for lists and labels of physical therapists and physical therapist assistants for the following:
7.1 Therapy Management Corporation – The board voted to deny Therapy Management Corporation’s request for lists and labels.
7.2 Alzheimer’s Association, WA State Chapter – The board voted to approve the Alzheimer’s Association, WA State Chapter’s request for lists and labels.

8. PROGRAM REPORT Information was provided to the board by Ms. Waidely, Program Manager and Mr. Maresh, Executive Director.

1.1. Budget – Ms. Waidely provided the 2019 Biennium-To-Date Jul 01, 2017 Thru Apr 30, 2018 budget report. A hearing is tentatively scheduled for July 12, 2018 in Tumwater at 10:30 a.m. on the fee increase. Information on DOH’s costing model for determining the PT fees will be brought to the next meeting of the board.

The question was raised about whether the alternative approval process and its impact on the workload is being factored into the fee determination hearing. Ms. Waidely had previously submitted this question. A response that includes specific accounting details is desired.

Ms. Waidely reported that she will be filing the CR101 to implement HB 2446.

8.2. Board member vacancy update – Ms. Waidely reported that May 1, 2018 was publicized as the timeframe to submit applications but that recruitment remains open until at least more than one application is received.

8.3. Planning for upcoming meetings
• The board changed the date of the next regular board meeting to August 20, 2018. Public attendance will be at the DOH in Tumwater.

8.4. Other
• Ms. Waidely reported that she will be filing the CR101 for HB 2446 Physical Therapy Supervision, and the CR101 for the Compact Rules.

• Ms. Waidely informed the board of an email request from Melissa Johnson to add all email addresses in the DOH licensee database to the GovDelivery. Ms. Waidely reported that this has already been done and that by doing so the GovDelivery distribution increased from 1200 to 8600 recipients. Mr. Williams reported that recipients can unsubscribe if they no longer wish to receive the mailings, and that a notice to self-subscribe goes out in a third mailing to those who do not open two consecutive previous mailings. If the third mailing is not opened the recipient is automatically removed from the list.

9. CONSENT AGENDA
Items listed under the consent agenda (informational items) are considered routine matters and are approved without discussion upon approval of the agenda. If separate discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and placed on the regular business agenda for discussion.

9.1 CBT Comment Summary and Candidate Satisfaction Survey Report. No report was given.
10. PHYSICAL THERAPY LICENSURE COMPACT (PTLC) RULES
The board reviewed the PTLC rules, matters pertaining to them, and discussed the privilege fees and the PTLC board delegate’s term.

- Amendments to Rule 2.1 – Criminal Background Check. The significant difference in the amendment is that the FBI results would need to be obtained before making a decision on issuing the Compact whereas before, the Compact privilege could be issued while waiting for the FBI results. It was determined to approve this amendment as it serves well in protecting the public.

- Lilia Lopez, AAG, walked the board through the Commission’s response to the ten comments she had sent to them since the board’s last meeting. The Commission’s thoughtful and serious response to every comment, and the time they spent to make it was very much appreciated. Though no significant risks to the board were identified that would prevent the board from adopting the rules, Ms. Lopez will draft a reply to the Commission and send it to the members of the board. The reply will incorporate at least the following points:
  - Acknowledge the change necessary in Article IV (1)(h) to address consistency with statute regarding the shortening of the time frame from 30 days for notice to be given.
  - Encouraging the wording changes suggested for clarity and consistency in Rules 3.3 and 3.6.
  - Reassert the original comment on Rule 8.3 regarding the delegate’s responsibility in favor of changing it to being the responsibility of the board.

MOTION: The motion was made to adopt the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact Rules by filing a CR101 to adopt the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact Commission Rules by reference with the effective date of the Commission rules. The motion was seconded and approved.

- Ms. Waidely reported that the formula for late renewal fees is: $1.00 to $50.00 is set at 100% of the renewal fee, $51.00 to $100.00 is set at fifty dollars, and $101.00 and over is set at 50% of the renewal fee and no more than $300.00. The recommended Compact application fee is $45.00. Using the formula the renewal fee would $45.00 and the late fee would be $45.00. It would be the same for PTs and for PTAs.

MOTION: The motion was made to set the Compact privilege fee for the Physical Therapist and Physical Therapist Assistant at $45.00 for application, $45.00 for renewal, and $45.00 for late renewal with the exception of military spouses’ renewal fee. The motion was seconded and approved.

- Ms. Waidely reported that the Memorandum of Understanding is proceeding through the various DOH offices that will be sharing and reporting the Compact related data.

11. ADJOURNMENT
MOTION: The motion was made to adjourn the regular business meeting. The motion was seconded and approved. The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Kris Waidely, Program Manager
Board of Physical Therapy

Renee Compton, PTA, Chair
Board of Physical Therapy