

## Minutes

The Athletic Trainers Advisory Committee of the Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision met on January 10, 2024, in accordance with the Open Meeting Act. Advance notice of this regular meeting was transmitted to the Oklahoma Secretary of State on December 1, 2023. The notice and agenda were posted on the agency's website on January 2, 2024, at 10:07 a.m. in accordance with 25 O.S. § 311(A)(9).

### Members Present:

Keith Chlouber, AT  
Robert Fulton, AT  
Barry L. Northcutt, MD  
Megan Meier, MD  
Sydney Ringer, AT

### Others Present:

Patti Parrish, JD, General Counsel  
Sandra Harrison, JD, Deputy Director  
Barbara J. Smith, Executive Secretary  
Lisa Cullen, Director of Licensing  
Valeska Barr, Assistant Director of Licensing

Having noted a quorum, Mr. Chlouber, Acting Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Following Committee review, Dr. Northcutt moved to approve the minutes of August 16, 2023, as written. Mr. Fulton seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

The Committee then entertained nominations for Committee Chairperson. Dr. Northcutt nominated Mr. Fulton to serve in that role. Mr. Fulton accepted the nomination. Mr. Chlouber seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**DEVON BRYANT** appeared virtually in support of his application for Athletic Trainer licensure. He applied in August of 2022 for Oklahoma licensure and has been working in various jobs since that time. The last time he practiced as an AT was September of 2022. Following discussion, Dr. Northcutt moved to approve the application pending completion of the file. Dr. Meier seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**CHRISTOPHER WATSON** appeared virtually in support of his application for Athletic Trainer licensure. His Oklahoma license lapsed in August of 2022, and he last practiced in June of 2022. He left practice at the University of Oklahoma to enter direct medical sales. He wants to renew his license in the event he decides to return to the practice of AT in the future. Following discussion, Mr. Fulton moved to approve the application. Dr. Meier seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Next, the Committee reviewed applications for licensure. Dr. Northcutt moved to recommend approval of the incomplete application(s) for Athletic Trainer licensure pending

completion of the file(s) as shown on *Attachment #1* hereto. Mr. Fulton seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mr. Fulton moved to recommend approval of the complete application(s) for reinstatement of Athletic Trainer licensure as shown on *Attachment #1* hereto. Dr. Northcutt seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

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**BROOKKE MAHAFFEY** appeared personally in support of her application for Athletic Trainer licensure. She began practicing as an AT on July 17, 2023 per her application, but she stated she did not start practicing as an AT until she received a temporary letter to practice. She is currently licensed in Pennsylvania. Following discussion, Dr. Northcutt moved to approve the application. Mr. Fulton seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**RHONDA WOOD** appeared personally in support of her application for Athletic Trainer licensure. Doug Rice, Attorney at Law, appeared with her. At the last meeting her application was reviewed but the Committee had questions regarding her possibly practicing without a license. Per her application it appeared she had been practicing since September of 2022. Her application is currently incomplete. She advised that she became BOC certified in August of 2022 and she is currently teaching at Murray State College. Upon licensure, she has plans to practice as an athletic trainer at Murray State University. Gary Bandy, AD at Murray State, appeared with her and stated he just recently took the job in August of 2023. He was initially unaware of the licensing situation with the applicant, but has since become fully aware. He does not believe there were any ATs employed at Murray State prior to hiring Ms. Wood.

Patti Parrish, JD, General Counsel, advised the Committee there is no authority for the Board or any of the Allied Committees to discipline an applicant who is not currently licensed. For physicians who are already licensed, a Letter of Concern (“LOC”) can be issued, but the only recourse for allied committees in statute is to send the matter to investigations/DA. Dr. Meier would like a way to put a LOC in the file so we might need to look at the rules regarding an LOC. Ms. Parrish stated she could look into changing the regulations. Following discussion, Dr. Northcutt moved to approve the application pending completion of the file. Mr. Fulton seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

There being no further business, Mr. Chlouber moved to adjourn the meeting. The time was 9:41 a.m.

**ATHLETIC TRAINER ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
JANUARY 10, 2024**

**INCOMPLETE ATHLETIC TRAINER APPLICATIONS**

AT 1340	BURK, MEGAN ANN
AT 1350	PUCKETT, ALEC DALTON-SHEA
AT 1352	KERFOOT-TIDWELL, CHRISTY MARIE
AT 1353	DIECKMANN, ANDREW KYLE
AT 1354	LANSDALE, LOGAN B
AT 1355	RIEGEL, HANNAH NICOLE

**COMPLETE ATHLETIC TRAINER REINSTATEMENT APPLICATIONS**

AT 682	COWAN, AMANDA JEAN
AT 947	JONES, LACEY MICHELLE
AT 987	BAKER, GRACE JEAN

**INCOMPLETE ATHLETIC TRAINER REINSTATEMENT APPLICATION**

AT 1200	MARCHINO, AMANDA KATHRYN
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**COMPLETE ATHLETIC TRAINER APPLICATIONS**

AT 1339	RICO JIMENEZ, MARIELA YESENIA
AT 1341	BYRNE, THOMAS JOSEPH JR
AT 1342	EDWARDS, MARIAH LEE
AT 1344	HOLMAN, RYLEE L.
AT 1345	FLORES FLORES, DANIEL
AT 1346	SONS, AMBER LYNN
AT 1347	CREER, BRYSON
AT 1348	LINDON, ALBERT CHARLES III
AT 1349	BERRY, JORDAN ASHLEY
AT 1351	SHAW, KYRA