

Minutes

The Therapeutic Recreation Committee of the Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision met on February 6, 2024, in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act. Advance notice of this regular meeting was transmitted to the Oklahoma Secretary of State on December 1, 2023, and posted on the Board's website on January 28, 2024, at 12:10 p.m. pursuant to 25 O.S. § 311(A)(9).

Members in attendance:

Angela Roberts, TRS
Michelle Higgins, TRS
Renee Maynard, TRS
Ms. Rendy Janssen

Members absent:

Tim Passmore, Ed.D., TRS, Chair

Others in attendance:

Sandra Harrison, JD, Deputy Director
Barbara J. Smith, Executive Secretary
Valeska Barr, Assistant Director of Licensing
P.J., Therapy Dog, VA Hospital, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Having noted a quorum, Ms. Roberts, who was acting as chair in Mr. Passmore's absence, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Barbara Smith called roll to establish the quorum for the record. Introductions of staff and committee members were made.

The Committee reviewed the meeting minutes of November 28, 2023. Ms. Higgins moved to approve the minutes as written. Ms. Maynard seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

ASTRUD RAY-KUBIER appeared virtually in support of her application for Therapeutic Recreation Specialist licensure. Her application is incomplete. Following review and discussion, Ms. Higgins moved to recommend approval pending completion of the file. Ms. Maynard seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Next, the Committee reviewed applications for licensure. Ms. Maynard moved to recommend approval of the incomplete applications of **MARQUITTA WHITFIELD, SHEA MARIE MCKENZIE, and HANNA FAITH JACKSON** for Therapeutic Recreation Specialist licensure pending completion of the files. Ms. Higgins seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Once again, staff was delighted to welcome P.J., Therapy Dog, VA Hospital, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, to the meeting. P.J. was in the care of Ms. Roberts during the meeting. He was given special attention by staff as a reward for his exemplary behavior.

There being no further business, Ms. Roberts moved to adjourn the meeting. The time was 3:16 p.m.