

Minutes

The Athletic Trainers Advisory Committee of the Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision met on February 10, 2016, in accordance with the Open Meeting Act. The meeting was held at the office of the Board, 101 NE 51st Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Advance notice of this regularly scheduled meeting was transmitted to the Oklahoma Secretary of State on October 1, 2015, and posted on the Board's website on February 9, 2016. The notice and agenda were posted in prominent public view on the front doors of the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision building located at 101 NE 51st St., Oklahoma City, OK on February 9, 2016 at 8:15 a.m.

Members Present:

Jeffrey L. McKibbin, AT
Alex C. Brown, AT
Barry L. Northcutt, MD
Keith Chlouber, AT
Megan Meier, MD

Others Present:

Reji Varghese, Deputy Director
Barbara J. Smith, Executive Secretary
Teresa Mitchell, Director of Licensing
Tiffany Wythe, AAG, Committee Advisor
University of Central Oklahoma Apprentice Athletic Trainer students

Having noted a quorum, Mr. McKibbin called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. New Committee member, Dr. Megan Meier was welcomed to the Committee.

After Committee review, Mr. Brown moved to approve the Minutes of August 26, 2015 as written. Mr. Chlouber seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Ms. Barbara Smith, Executive Secretary, presented the proposed permanent rule revisions to *Okla. Admin. Code 435:25-1, 2 and 435:25-11-1*. Ms. Smith advised that new law recently went into effect and the rule revisions were necessary to remain in compliance with the law. After Committee review, Mr. Brown moved to recommend approval for the adoption of the proposed permanent rules as presented. Dr. Northcutt seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

The Committee next reviewed applications for licensure. Mr. Brown moved to recommend approval of the following complete applications for Athletic Trainer licensure. Mr. Chlouber seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**REBECCA MICHELLE BATES
KELSEY ANNE BOSTOCK**

**BENJAMIN J CLEVELAND
KIMBERLY J DUSKIN**

**COURTNEY KAY HARPER
ANTHONY T ROBERTSON**

MORGAN SELLERS
EMILIE TAYLOR SHANNON
KACI ELIZABETH SPENCE

SARA MARIE STERIA
KATIE SCARLETT STOUT
SAMANTHA A WAGNER

CHRISTINA WEST

Mr. Brown moved to recommend approval of the following incomplete applications for Athletic Trainer licensure pending completion of the file. Mr. Chlouber seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

ZANE P BRUGENHEMKE
SAMANTHA D CARTER
LAUREN CHAMNESS

LAURA A HORNER
ROGER OLEN KOLLOCK, JR
BRYCE RUDEK

ALLISON LYNN WIENEKE

A general question was raised by that Committee that if a background check was done at the time of applying for Apprentice Athletic Trainer license, and the applicant was now applying for AT licensure, would a new background check be required? Mr. Varghese advised it would be in order to verify Applicant's activity if there were time gaps on the application.

Mr. Brown moved to recommend approval of the following complete applications for Apprentice Athletic Trainer licensure. Mr. Chlouber seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

CHRISTY LEE MOTE
MELISSA SAMPSON

DENNAN SHAE WHEELER
WALTER L WRIGHT, II

Ms. Tiffany Wythe, AAG-Committee Advisor, advised the Committee in the law and rules regarding what is an appropriate amount of time for an applicant to retain Apprentice Athletic Trainer licensure status when not actively "clocking hours" toward full Athletic Trainer licensure; i.e., the applicant has completed the curriculum but was not successful on the exam, and if the Committee needed a law and/or rule change. Ms. Wythe discussed the definition of "clock hours" and reported that the law does not mention "clock hours." So, in her opinion, even though an AAT may not be putting in clock hours, under the law the AAT license is still valid. Further, the law states that AAT licensure is valid for a year. Ms. Wythe advised that the definition in statute would have to be changed to support the rule regarding "clock hours," or the rule should have to change to match the law. Mr. McKibbin stated a problem they are seeing is individuals who have completed the educational process and graduated, but they have not yet passed the exam so they are in limbo. For a licensed AAT, they may continue to practice as an AAT. If an AAT is set to take the exam after his/her license would expire, he/she can renew again based on the law, which does not limit how many times an AAT may renew their licensure. The Committee took no action on this matter at this time and did not request that it be added to a future Agenda. See: "*Apprentice Athletic Trainer*" means a person who is putting in clock hours toward becoming a licensed Athletic Trainer. (*Okla. Admin. Code 435:25-7-1*); "*Supervision*." An *Apprentice Athletic Trainer* is a person who assists in the duties usually performed by an athletic trainer under the direct supervision of a licensed athletic trainer. (*Okla. Admin. Code 435-25-7-2*); and "*Apprentice athletic trainer*" means a person who assists in the duties usually performed by an athletic trainer under the direct supervision of a licensed athletic trainer. (*Title 59 O.S. Sec. 526.2*)

There being no new business, Mr. Brown moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Chlouber seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative. The time was 9:22 a.m.