

Minutes

The Athletic Trainers Advisory Committee of the Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision met on August 22, 2018, in accordance with the Open Meeting Act. The regularly scheduled meeting was held at the office of the Board, 101 NE 51st Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Advance notice of this regular meeting was transmitted to the Oklahoma Secretary of State on October 10, 2017. The notice and agenda were posted on the agency's website on August 20, 2018 at 2:56 p.m. in accordance with 25 O.S. § 311.9.

Members Present:

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

Others Present:

Lyle Kelsey, Executive Director
Reji Varghese, Deputy Director
Barbara J. Smith, Executive Secretary
Lisa Cullen, Acting Director of Licensing
Thomas Schneider, AAG, Committee Advisor

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

Dr. Northcutt moved to approve the minutes of January 31, 2018, as written. Mr. Chlouber seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

MICHAEL ASHTON appeared in support of his application for Athletic Trainer licensure. The Committee initially reviewed Mr. Ashton's application in August of 2017 where it was tabled pending receipt of further information. In the January 31, 2018 committee meeting following review of the additional information, the Committee requested a personal appearance. Mr. Ashton's application is complete and he currently holds an active Physical Therapist license in Oklahoma.

The applicant advised that he moved to Oklahoma in August of 2016 to work with the Oklahoma City Blue. He stated that at the time he was working as a Physical Therapist for the Blue, but has since been promoted and is working with the Thunder as a Physical Therapist until he is licensed as an Athletic Trainer. The applicant stated he never practiced as an athletic trainer or physical therapist in Oklahoma without a license, but was spending his time in a "shadowing" role. He does not hold an AT license in any other state.

Mr. Ashton went on to confirm that he applied for AT licensure in 2016. Upon questioning, the applicant admitted he served as the AT when traveling with the Blue due to his misinterpretation of the law and rules regarding licensure.

He advised that he did not receive any information from the Licensing Department until March of 2018. At that point, he immediately advised the Blue he could not serve in any way as an AT. Donald Strack, his manager at the time, told him he did not have to be licensed as an AT, but Mr. Ashton stated it was his own misinterpretation that led to the confusion.

Mr. Brown moved that the application of **MICHAEL ASHTON** for Athletic Trainer licensure be forwarded to the Medical Board for review and action based on a recommendation of "no recommendation" by the Athletic Trainers Advisory Committee. Dr. Northcutt seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

JAMES READY appeared in support of his application for Athletic Trainer licensure. He previously held Florida, Texas and Arizona licenses which are not currently active. Mr. Ready advised that he moved to Oklahoma in 2017 to work with the LA Dodgers. At that time he submitted his application paperwork and had the understanding that once his information was submitted, he was allowed to work as an AT under a temporary license. By the time all of his information was submitted, he was no longer working as an AT for the Dodgers. He is currently coaching but would like to ultimately teach AT and wants to get this matter resolved.

Applicant's team (supervising/consulting) physician while he was with the Dodgers was primarily Dr. Jim Barrett and that is who signed the Form 5. He lives in Oklahoma. Lisa Cullen confirmed that Mr. Ready's application documentation was received in February of 2017. He is certified through the Board of Certification for the Athletic Trainer ("BOC").

After further discussion and review of the chronology of events, Mr. Brown moved to approve the application of **JAMES READY** for Athletic Trainer licensure pending receipt of the protocol and Form 5, and with a Letter of No Tolerance placed in his file. Mr. Chlouber seconded the motion. (Before the vote, and during discussion, it was noted that the timeline of Mr. Ready was quite different than the previous applicant (Mr. Ashton) which the Committee relied on in making its decision.) In response to a question regarding the role of supervising/consulting physician for an AT, Mr. Kelsey stated he will research the law and rules in that regard. A roll call vote was unanimous in the affirmative and the motion carried.

AMANDA WATKINS did not appear in support of her application for Athletic Trainer licensure. She has moved to Missouri and is withdrawing her application. No action was required of the Committee.

VANESSA WILSON did not appear in support of her application for Athletic Trainer licensure. Ms. Cullen stated that it is an initial application and is incomplete. A personal appearance is not required. Mr. Brown moved to approve the application of **VANESSA WILSON** for Athletic Trainer licensure pending completion of the file. Dr. Meier seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Next, the Committee reviewed applications for licensure. Mr. Brown moved to recommend approval of the following incomplete applications for Apprentice Athletic Trainer licensure pending completion of the files. Mr. Chlouber seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**ARVE, ERIK HENRIK
SCHROEDER, KACEE LYNN
MILLER, MELISSA OLIVIA**

**VAN BOSKERCK, KRISTI LYNN
SCHAMBURG, GRANT RILEY
HAYES, CHRISTOPHER MARK**

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

**DOPSON, DANIEL KIKUTA
MILBY, ALEXANDER STEVEN
ROCHA, MARISSA LAUREN**

**HEDGES, HANNAH PAIGE
BURDGE, EMILEE RAELYNN
TERRY, TYRE' KORDYL**

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

**REEVES, MICHAEL ROSS
GUPTILL, TERRY LEROY
GIBSON, DILLON
SUMMERLIN, EMILY
HOPKINS, EMILY
BONHAM, AMBER ELIZABETH
ANGELBECK, ALLISON
JONES, CALEB ALLEN
CARTER, RYAN M
HOWE, JUSTIN D
WYNN, BRYAN M
BALL, RAINEE LYNE**

**WYATT, MARCUS BRADLEY
KOBAYASHI, KOUHEI
KRAJEWSKI, LEO FREDRICK
BISH, OLYVIA MCKENZIE
BENAVIDEZ, JAZMINE GABRIELLE
STANEK, BRANDON WILLIAM
VENNARD, TAYLER DANIELLE
BARTON, LINDSAY DIANE
BENHAM, MORGAN RAEANN
DEMEL, KAYLA BETHANY
MCMAHON, ERIN FAITH**

Mr. Brown moved to recommend approval of the following complete applications for re-entry of Athletic Trainer licensure. Dr. Meier seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

MCGINTY, ZACHARY MICHAEL

WEST, CHRISTINA

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

**CAPRA, AINSLEY
WHEELER, DENNAN SHAE
JEFFERSON, JAMES KENNETH
DANIELS, KELLY LYNN
TAYLOR-MEZA, ALICEA EMILY**

**NELSON, ERIN ELIZABETH
POSTIER, SYDNEY
EAST, SEAN ROBERT
MCGOVERN, MICHAEL JOSEPH
MARSIC, BRADLEY ALLEN**

**GREENWOOD, MCKENZIE BLAKE
WOERN, GRACE LAILA
BULIN, MELISSA ANN
CLARK, RYAN ALEXANDER
POSTON, EMILY ANNE
SABERS, KELLY RUTH
BAHE, KELSEY NICOLE
MOORE, MIKAYLA ASHLYN**

**TREVINO, KELLY ELIZABETH
WUNDER, KATHERINE ANN
HARMON, MACKENZIE GRACEN
BAUTISTA ENRIQUE, CARLOS
BOATRIGHT, ALIZE NORIKO
RUNDLE, TREK ALLEN
FINCH, MICHAEL J**

*Dr. Northcutt left the meeting.

Next, Reji Varghese reported that the status of the No-Practice Letters mailed to Michael Ashton, James Ready and Amanda Watkins was covered when Lisa Cullen presented the applications for review.

Then, the Committee heard from Robert Nisbet, MD, Coordinator, Oklahoma Allied Professional Peer Assistance Program (“APPA”). Dr. Nisbet explained that APPA is a voluntary program. APPA serves allied health professionals who have had substance abuse and/or behavioral issues and seek assistance. Dr. Nisbet stated that he has received no referrals from committee members and wanted to remind the committee that the APPA program is available. Members of the Committee were each provided an APPA brochure and Dr. Nisbet’s business card. Dr. Nisbet and Mr. Kelsey answered questions of the Committee and the Committee expressed their appreciation for the information.

Mr. Brown moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Meier seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative. The time was 10:42 a.m.