Minutes

The Advisory Committee on Orthotics and Prosthetics of the Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision met on February 22, 2019, 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 10, 2018. The notice and agenda were posted on the Board's website on February 15, 2019 at 12:19 p.m. pursuant to Title 25 O.S. §311.9.

Members present were:
Jonathan Day, LPO, Chairman
Dee McKasson, LO, Vice-Chairman
Jeffrey M. Arnette, LPO
Mr. Ron King

Members absent were:
Mr. Bill Dunham
Mr. Hank Ross, Medical Board Representative
Michael Huggins, CP, LPO

Also present were:
Barbara Smith, Executive Secretary
Lisa Cullen, Director of Licensing
Thomas Schneider, AAG, Committee Advisor

Having noted a quorum, the meeting was called to order by Mr. Day at 11:07 a.m.

Next, the Committee considered nominations for the positions of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson pursuant to Okla. Admin. Code 435:55-1-3. Mr. King nominated Jonathan Day for the position of Committee Chair. Mr. McKasson seconded and the vote is recorded below:

Jonathan Day, LPO, Chairman  Yes
Dee McKasson, LO, Vice-Chairman  Yes
Jeffrey M. Arnette, LPO  ABSTAIN
Mr. Ron King  Yes

Mr. Day nominated Dee McKasson for the position of Vice Chairman. Mr. King seconded the motion and the vote is recorded below:

Jonathan Day, LPO, Chairman  Yes
Dee McKasson, LO, Vice-Chairman  Yes
Jeffrey M. Arnette, LPO  ABSTAIN
Mr. Ron King  Yes
Following Committee review, Mr. McKasson moved to approve the minutes of October 19, 2018, as written. Mr. King seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

ALEXANDER DAHINTEN appeared in support of his application for Licensed Prosthetist/Orthotist licensure. Ms. Cullen stated she received the applicant’s Form 5 showing that he was going to start work November 5, 2018, but it was discovered that he had been practicing prior to that time. A cease and desist letter was sent to him by the licensing staff. He completed his training in December of 2017, and passed the boards in October of 2018. Upon questioning, he told the Committee that he had business cards printed that said he was "Board Eligible." The applicant stated his employment started in April of 2018 and there was never any intention to deceive. He advised that while he was working, he was under supervision the whole time and all of his notes were discussed with, and reviewed and signed by a licensed prosthetist. As soon as he was made aware of his licensure status, he came forward and asked what he could do to rectify it. He stated that he has not seen a patient since he received the cease and desist letter.

Upon discussion by the Committee and review of Okla. Admin. Code 435:55-7-1, Mr. Schneider advised the Committee that the rule allows an applicant to practice under supervision without a license during the gap between completion of formal education and passing the board exam and, therefore, it would be appropriate to recommend approval of this application. Mr. McKasson moved to recommend approval of the application of ALEXANDER DAHINTEN for Licensed Prosthetist/Orthotist licensure. Mr. Arnette seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Next, the Committee reviewed applications for licensure. Mr. Arnette moved to recommend approval of the incomplete application of MICHAEL PHILIP PODRASKY for Licensed Prosthetist/Orthotist licensure pending completion of the file. Mr. McKasson seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mr. McKasson moved to recommend approval of the following complete applications for Licensed Prosthetist/Orthotist licensure. Mr. Arnette seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

LPO 112  VAN DER WATT, FRANCOIS J  
LPO 113  CROWELL, JEREMY JOHN  
LPO 114  PLESCIA, DEBORAH

Mr. King moved to recommend approval of the complete applications of ALEXANDER ASHOFF and LAUREN RANELLE ARNOLD for Licensed Prosthetist licensure. Mr. Arnette seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mr. Arnette moved to recommend approval of the incomplete application of HAILEY KARRIN JONES for Registered Orthotist Assistant licensure pending completion of the file. Mr. McKasson seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

There being no new business, Mr. McKasson moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Arnette seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative. The time was 11:42 a.m.