MINNESOTA BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

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Public Board Meeting
August 6, 2026

Meeting was conducted electronically and in person – Board Room 104

MINUTES

Of a meeting of the Minnesota Board of Physical Therapy held Thursday, August 6, 2026, beginning at 4:13 PM at Randolph Square, 355 Randolph Avenue, St. Paul, MN via Webex in Board Room 104.

Members and Staff present via in Person and Webex: Steven Scherger, PT (president); Samantha Mohn-Johnsen, PT (vice president); Sara Conrad, PTA (secretary); Pamela Peters, Public Member; Allen Rasmussen, Public Member; Neel Shah, MD; Tanya Terman, PT, Adam Urick, PT; Heather VanGrootheest, PTA; Erin DeTomaso, Executive Director, Elena Bullard, Board Staff; Paige Bourland, Board Staff; Erin Farmer, AAG

Members Absent: Katy Goettsch, Board Staff

Public Attendees:

PUBLIC SESSION

BOARD MATTERS

1. **Call to Order, Roll Call, and 2026 Meeting Schedule:** The meeting was called to order at 4:13 PM by President Steven Scherger. The 2026 Board meeting schedule was reviewed. Roll call was taken. Introduction of new appointed Board Member: Heather VanGrootheest, PTA.

2. **Approval of Prior Minutes from the May 6, 2026, Board Meeting:** Minutes from May 6, 2026, were approved.

3. **AGO Presentation** – Erin Farmer, AAG: Legal Duties for Board Members

4. **HPSP Reports:** Allen Rasmussen. Monthly reports May 2026, June 2026, July 2026. Last meeting was held on May 12, 2026.

5. **Executive Director's Report:** Statute changes were effective July 1, 2026. Board will receive the official document this fall. If future Rule changes are expected, the Board will hold off on ordering/printing Practice Act Books. The fall Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy Annual Education Meeting will be held, October 2026, in Greenville, South Carolina. 5 Board Member terms are up in 1/2027 – board staff to send emails to those seeking re-appointment. Board's 2026 Biennial report is due this fall. The Biennial Report will be published/available late winter or early spring.

6. **Newsletter Topics for 2027**

CONSENT ITEMS

7. **MOTION/PASSED:** Approval of FY27 funding registration and expenses for Heather VanGrootheest, Sara Conrad, and Board Staff: Elena Bullard and Paige Bourland to attend the FSBPT 2026 Annual Conference and Delegate Assembly, October 2026.

8. **MOTION/PASSED:** Election of 2026 Committee Members
    - Administration: Steven Scherger (Chair), Samantha Mohn-Johnsen, Sara Conrad
    - Complaint Review: Steven Scherger (Chair), Samantha Mohn-Johnsen, Allen Rasmussen, Adam Urick
    - Continuing Education: Tanya Terman (Chair), Sara Conrad, Steven Scherger, Neel Shah, Adam Urick, Heather VanGrootheest
    - Legislative: Sara Conrad (Chair), Pamela Peters, Allen Rasmussen, Adam Urick, and TBD*
    - Licensure: Samantha Mohn-Johnsen (Chair), Sara Conrad, Allen Rasmussen, Adam Urick, and TBD*
9. **MOTION/TABLED:** Proposed Board Meeting dates for 2027

COMMITTEE MATTERS

10. **Administration/Personal Committee:** Steven Scherger, Chair
    MOTION/PASSED: Approval of Financial Report of Fiscal Year 26 and Fiscal Year 27 to date: Actual Receipts and Expenses through July 31, 2026.

11. **Complaint Review Committee:** Steven Scherger, Chair
    CRC meeting was held on June 22, 2026. The next meeting is scheduled for August 24, 2026. Complaint Review Report for FY27 as of July 31, 2026. Total complaints opened since 7/1/2026: 4. Total complaints received since 7/1/2026 & are currently open: 4. Total complaints received since 7/1/2026 & are dismissed & closed: 0.

12. **Continuing Education Committee:** Sara Conrad, Chair
    Courses reviewed by committee: 343 approved for full credit, 29 approved for reduced credit, 0 denied, 1 deferred. Courses reviewed by Board Staff and reviewers as of May 7, 2026: 372 courses.

13. **Legislative and Policy Committee:** Steven Scherger, Board Member
    Legislative Committee have not met. Legislative Committee will schedule to meet TBD before the next Board meeting.

14. **Licensure Committee:** Samantha Mohn-Johnsen, Chair
    MOTION/PASSED: Approval of licensure of Physical Therapists and Physical Therapist Assistants: May 8, 2026, through August 7, 2026, PT Applicants #1-247 and PTA Applicants #1-37 subject to receipt of all verification documents.
    MOTION/PASSED: Denial of licensure for PT Applicants #1-17 and PTA Applicants #1-12 based on not obtaining passing scores on the NPTE
    REPORT: Administrative Denial of Inactive License Applications: PT Applicants #1-6 and PTA Applicant #4
    MOTION/PASSED: Board approval of the FCCPT Type One report (including TOEFL) for foreign educated applicant "AA".
    MOTION/PASSED: Board approval of waiver for all of the 6-months supervised traineeship for foreign educated applicant "AA".

MOTION/PASSED: Board approval of successful completion of 480 hours of supervised practice for PT re-entry applicant "BB"

MOTION/PASSED: Board approval of the FCCPT Type One report (including TOEFL) for foreign educated applicant "DD"

EXECUTIVE SESSION

15. **Noel Burdash, PTA #A894:** Board approval of an Order of Unconditional License for Noel Burdash, PTA #A894.
16. **Jamee Nelson, PTA #A769:** Board approval of an Order of Unconditional License for Jamee Nelson, PTA #A769.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

17. **APTA Changes to Code of Ethics**
18. **Sexual Misconduct PT Statement**
19. **ELDD and CPR Report from FSBPT**
20. **MN APTA update**
21. **Public Comment period**
22. **Upcoming Meetings**
    - Wednesday, November 4, 2026 at 4:00 PM
      Please notify Board staff if you are unable to attend

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:09 PM.

Sara Conrad

Sara Conrad, PTA, Secretary
Minnesota Board of Physical Therapy

11/4/2026
DATE