

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY MINUTES

October 17, 2003

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sue Elcik, Mary Woodbury, Shelley Rau, and Sherlee Keough

MEMBERS ABSENT: Julie Kadnar

OTHERS PRESENT: Diane Staples, Board Clerk; Penny Vaillancourt, Administrator;

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Sue Elcik at 9:20 a.m.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Shelley Rau and seconded by Sherlee Keough to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2003 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

LICENSE APPROVALS

A motion was made by Shelley Rau and seconded by Sherlee Keough to approve 17 occupational therapists, 2 occupational therapy assistants, and 5 temporary occupational therapists since the last meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATORS COMMENTARY

The Ceu audit rule went into effect on August 19, 2003. On this board's next renewal in March 2005 10% of the licensees will be audited and their continuing education will be reviewed by the Board. All others will attest on their renewal form that they have completed the CEU requirement. We are working on putting together the on line renewals for all Board, but it is in a testing mode at this time.

NBCOT has sent a notice/report regarding aliens and illegal immigrants and foreign trained professionals.

COMPLAINT OFFICERS REPORT

Shelley Rau reported that there are no new complaints.

Sue Elcik reported that all consent agreements that were pending have been signed and that Rebecca Dick's supervisor has submitted her understanding and report for supervision. Also Parise Veil has signed a consent agreement for practicing without a license.

CORRESPONDENCE

NBCOT has sent a competency assurance update.

Occupation Therapy Lifetime Certification Committee headed by Barbara Plummer has sent information. Sue will check on the web for more detailed information.

CGFNS sent an update on dates for foreign trained applicants to take the English proficiency test.

NBCOT announced the appointment of Margaret Bent as director of competency development activities.

AOTA announced that they are working on a new professional development tool.

MISCELLANEOUS

NBCOT's annual conference will be April 23-24 in Pittsburgh, PA.

The department of labor has listed the title of Occupational Therapy Assistant incorrectly. Penny will contact them to make the correction.

Diane Sauter-Davis of KVTEC e-mailed regarding other states elimination of temporary licenses since the development of on demand testing. This Board chose not to respond at this time.

An e-mail was received from Patty Shaffer questioning the supervision of an entry level COTA regarding daily direct contact. The board deemed that she can work without supervision after the daily contact has been made but cannot work on the supervisor's day off without daily contact. Sue will respond.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for November 21, 2003 at 9:15 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane L. Staples, Board Clerk