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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL AFFAIRS

**F I N A L M I N U T E S**

MEETING OF:

**STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY**

TIME: 8:59 A.M.

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Board Room B  
One Penn Center  
2601 North Third Street  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17110

September 21, 2017

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State Board of Physical Therapy  
September 21, 2017

BOARD MEMBERS:

- Cynthia Potter, PT, Chairperson
- Kathryn Waters, Deputy Commissioner of Professional and Occupational Affairs - Absent
- Sandra Campbell, PT
- Gary L. Coburn
- Jeffrey R. Elliott - Absent
- Tammy S. Frey, PTA, Secretary
- Geraldine Grzybek, PT
- Rachel Levine, MD, Physician General - Absent
- Jeremy Robb, Attorney General's Office designee - Absent
- Timothy M. Schell, PT
- Pamela Barnhart, Consumer Protection Member

BUREAU PERSONNEL:

- Thomas A. Blackburn, Esquire, Board Counsel
- Jason Anderson, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
- Michelle Roberts, Board Administrator

ALSO PRESENT:

- Zachary Rauhauser, Drayer Physical Therapy Institute
- Scott Voshell, Vice President, Pennsylvania Physical Therapy Association

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5 The regularly scheduled meeting of the State  
6 Board of Physical Therapy was held on Thursday,  
7 September 21, 2017.

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9 Official Call to Order

10 [Cynthia Potter, PT, Chairperson, officially called  
11 the meeting to order at 8:59 a.m. A quorum was noted  
12 to be present.]

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14 Approval of Minutes of the July 20, 2017 meeting

15 CHAIRPERSON POTTER:

16 The Minutes are there for you to read.

17 Any additions or corrections to the

18 Minutes? If not, is there a motion to  
19 approve?

20 MS. GRZYBEK:

21 So moved.

22 MS. CAMPBELL:

23 Second.

24 CHAIRPERSON POTTER:

25 It's been moved and seconded to approve

1 the minutes. All in favor, say aye?

2 Opposed, no? Abstentions?

3 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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5 Report of Prosecutorial Division

6 [Jason Anderson, Esquire, Board Prosecutor, presented  
7 a Consent Agreement for File No. 14-65-09723.]

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9 Appointments

10 [Chairperson Potter introduced Zachary Rauhauser,  
11 Applicant, present to request a third attempt at the  
12 PTA exam.

13 Mr. Rauhauser noted a study plan to review his  
14 weak areas in neuromuscular and musculoskeletal  
15 diseases. Mr. Rauhauser had a mentor at Drayer  
16 Physical Therapy and was working with a PTA to review  
17 his areas of difficulty.]

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19 Report of Board Chairperson

20 [Cynthia Potter, PT, Chairperson, will be attending  
21 the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy  
22 annual meeting in November as the delegate due to the  
23 resignation of David Kozich, PT, from the Board.

24 She also will be attending the first Physical  
25 Therapy Compact Commission meeting the day after the

1 conference and noted 14 states will be participating.

2 As far as the delegate assembly, there will be  
3 one motion to reapprove the areas of focus of the  
4 federation, which had not changed from previous years.

5 Chairperson Potter stated elections will include  
6 two members of the Board of Directors and a member of  
7 the Nominating Committee. She noted that Jim Clahane  
8 was running for the Nominating Committee.]

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10 Report of Board Counsel

11 [Thomas A. Blackburn, Esquire, Board Counsel, informed  
12 the Board that he will not be permanently returning to  
13 the State Board due to a change in personnel. Juan  
14 Ruiz, Esquire, will be immediately returning to the  
15 State Board of Physical Therapy.

16 Mr. Blackburn referred to the Report of the  
17 Status of Cases for the Board's review. He stated the  
18 Consent Agreement presented earlier was not on that  
19 list because the Commonwealth negotiated the Consent  
20 Agreement prior to filing charges.

21 He also noted the Status of Regulations Report.

22 Mr. Blackburn updated the Board on a disciplinary  
23 matter on appeal of Kristy Anne Willson. Oral  
24 argument was scheduled in Philadelphia on October 17,  
25 2017. Either Mr. Ruiz or Mr. Blackburn will attend

1 the hearing.]

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3 Report of Commissioner - No Report

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5 Report of Board Administrator - No Report

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7 Updates & Questions

8 [Scott Voshell, Vice President, Pennsylvania Physical  
9 Therapy Association, stated that Steve Barrar, from  
10 the Southeast Philadelphia region, will be sponsoring  
11 the Compact Bill Licensure in the state of  
12 Pennsylvania. PPTA has also endorsed two other  
13 candidates to the Board. The Governor's Office had  
14 not yet received their endorsements. At least two  
15 more candidates were on the Governor's desk for  
16 review.

17 Mr. Voshell questioned the licensure fee  
18 reduction. Mr. Blackburn stated the regulation was  
19 still in the preparation stage of collecting all  
20 financial data.

21 Mr. Voshell noted that the state of Pennsylvania  
22 does not recognize continuing education for dry  
23 needling. He also noted the opportunity for  
24 regulatory activities through the State Board.]

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1 [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act, at  
2 9:21 a.m. the Board entered into Executive Session  
3 with Thomas Blackburn, Esquire, Board Counsel, for the  
4 purpose of conducting quasi-judicial deliberations and  
5 to receive legal advice from Counsel. The Board  
6 returned to open session at 9:55 a.m.]

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8 MOTIONS

9 MR. BLACKBURN:

10 The Board was just in Executive Session.  
11 We conducted quasi-judicial  
12 deliberations in the matter of File No.  
13 14-65-09723 in which prosecution  
14 presented the Consent Agreement this  
15 morning. Also to review the request of  
16 Zachary Rauhauser to sit for the PTA  
17 exam for a third attempt. Additionally,  
18 the Board was in Executive Session to  
19 receive legal advice from Counsel.

20 Following those discussions, I  
21 understand there is a motion to accept  
22 the Consent Agreement?

23 MR. SCHELL:

24 I'll make that motion.

25 MS. CAMPBELL:

1 I'll second.

2 CHAIRPERSON POTTER:

3 It's been moved and seconded to accept  
4 the Consent Agreement. All in favor,  
5 say aye? Opposed, no? Abstentions?

6 [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's  
7 name is Karen Louise Yost, PTA.]

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9 MS. FREY:

10 I'll make the motion that we do allow  
11 the Applicant, Zachary Rauhauser, to sit  
12 for the third attempt.

13 CHAIRPERSON POTTER:

14 Is there a second to the motion?

15 MS. GRZYBEK:

16 Second.

17 CHAIRPERSON POTTER:

18 It's been moved and seconded to allow  
19 Zachary Rauhauser to sit for a third  
20 attempt at the exam. All in favor, say  
21 aye? Opposed, no? Abstentions?

22 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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24 Miscellaneous

25 [Chairperson Potter referred Board Members to the Case



1 Status Report, and Mr. Blackburn clarified the hearing  
2 dates on the report.

3 Mr. Schell noted concerns of the size of the  
4 Probable Cause Committee. Ms. Campbell was named last  
5 meeting also.]

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7 [Chairperson Potter requested nominations for the Vice  
8 Chair position.]

9 MS. GRZYBEK:

10 I would be willing to serve in that  
11 capacity.

12 CHAIRPERSON POTTER:

13 Geri.

14 MS. CAMPBELL:

15 Second to her nomination.

16 CHAIRPERSON POTTER:

17 Any other nominations? All in favor of  
18 Geri Grzybek as Vice Chair of the Board,  
19 say aye? Opposed, no? Abstentions?

20 [The motion carried. Ms. Grzybek abstained from  
21 voting on the motion.]

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23 Miscellaneous

24 [Chairperson Potter noted that the Federation of State  
25 Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) voted not to

1 implement the fee increase for the National Physical  
2 Therapy Exam (NPTE) until 2019.]

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4 Board Meeting Dates

5 [Chairperson Potter referred the Board to the  
6 remainder of the meeting dates for 2017 as well as the  
7 2018 meeting dates.]

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9 Adjournment

10 CHAIRPERSON POTTER:

11 If there is no other business, is there  
12 a motion to adjourn?

13 MR. SCHELL:

14 I'll move that one.

15 MS. CAMPBELL:

16 Second.

17 CHAIRPERSON POTTER:

18 It's moved and seconded to adjourn the  
19 meeting. All in favor, say aye?

20 Opposed, no? Abstentions?

21 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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23 [There being no further business, the State Board of  
24 Physical Therapy meeting adjourned at 10:02 a.m.]

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1 [The next Board meeting is November 9, 2017.]

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*Corey Elizabeth Summers*

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Minute Clerk

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