

Minutes of the April 4, 2019 Board of Athletic Training Conference Call Meeting

Jessica Roberts, Chairperson, called the conference call meeting of the Board of Athletic Training to order at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 4, 2019 in the 1st Floor Licensure Unit, Conference Room 1 at the Nebraska State Office Building located at 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. The meeting was duly publicized by distribution of the Notice of Meeting and Agenda prior to the meeting and posting the agenda at the entrance of the Department of Health and Human Services Division of Public Health at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting.

Roberts announced that this is a public meeting and the Open Meetings Law is posted.

The following Board members and Department Staff were present at the meeting: Rebecca Docter; Jessica Roberts; Claire Covert-ByBee, Program Manager; Antonio Carranza, Health Licensing Coordinator; and Ami Huff, Assistant Attorney General. Board member Lisa Moore joined by telephone. Board member Amie Carnahan was not present.

Docter moved, seconded by Moore to adopt the agenda. Voting aye: Docter, Moore and Roberts. Voting nay: None. Absent: Carnahan. Motion carried.

Docter moved, seconded by Moore to approve the minutes from the January 25, 2019 meeting. Voting aye: Docter, Moore and Roberts. Voting nay: None. Absent: Carnahan. Motion carried.

Docter moved, seconded by Moore to approve the minutes from the February 6, 2019 meeting. Voting aye: Docter, Moore and Roberts. Voting nay: None. Absent: Carnahan. Motion carried.

Covert-ByBee provided an update on the regulation review process. She stated in 2017 the department reviewed all regulations and created a report illustrating how they could be less restrictive. This included removing duplicative language and creating 172 NAC 10, a chapter of regulations that applies to all professions under the Uniform Credentialing Act. It also included removing duplicative language that is in the Athletic Training Practice Act. Additionally it was requested that any regulations that are considered overly burdensome be removed as well. The department has now been tasked with implementing those changes. Covert-ByBee advises the main focuses for the Board should be initial licensure, continuing education requirements and unprofessional conduct.

The Board started discussion with the Definitions. After discussion, it was recommended to remove the Anghoff Method from the definitions. The Board discussed altering the definitions of "Graduate Student" and "Student Athletic Trainer," but recommended leaving the definitions as is. The Board did recommend changing "Student Athletic Trainer" to "Athletic Training Student." (*Huff entered the meeting at 9:35 a.m.*)

The Board reviewed the regulations regarding Initial Licensure Requirements, 172 NAC 17-003.01. They recommended clarification in 172 NAC 17-003.01 3 b. to identify which trainer is the student and which trainer is supervising. The Board also recommended moving 172 NAC

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17-003.01 4 regarding Student Athletic Training to definitions and combine and format with the already existing definition.

The Board continued with 172 NAC 17-003.01A and B. The Board recommended updating 2 to “Holds a current cardiopulmonary (CPR) *for healthcare providers* certificate from a nationally recognized organization that issues the certificates;” for both A and B. They also recommended removing 4 from A and B as well requiring retaking the licensure examination.

The Board discussed continuing competency requirements, 172 NAC 17-004. The Board recommended changing “NATABOC” to “BOC”. The Board also recommended updating CPR in this section as well to include “for healthcare providers.”

The Board altered a few performance domains under 172 NAC 17-004.01B to update and provide clarity. The Board recommended removing informal self-study as an approved form of continuing education. They also recommended removing the section regarding professional development courses as it was viewed as redundant. The Board recommended to remove all qualifiers for “author” for continuing education.

Huff started the discussion regarding unprofessional conduct. The Board and Huff discussed what information was needed under Professional Relationships and recommended removal of all regulations that were listed elsewhere in the regulations and statutes.
(Huff left the meeting at 10:41 a.m.)

Covert-ByBee provided a reminder that the renewal deadline is May 1st, 2019 and that the DHHS website has been updated.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 22nd, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Moore, Secretary