

## Minutes of the April 10, 2020 Board of Athletic Training Conference Call Meeting

### **1. ROLL CALL**

Jessica Roberts, Chairperson, called the meeting of the Board of Athletic Training to order at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, April 10, 2020 in the Licensure Unit conference room at the State Office Building in 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.

**Members Present:** The following members answered roll call:

Jessica Roberts, Chairperson  
Rebecca Docter, Vice-Chairperson  
Amie Carnahan, Member  
Michael Nicola, Member

**Others Present:**

Natalee Hart, Assistant Attorney General  
Jeff Newman, Investigator  
Anna Harrison, Compliance Monitor  
Claire Covert-ByBee, Program Manager  
Antonio Carranza, Health Licensing Coordinator

### **2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

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

### **3. REAFFIRMATION OF MAIL BALLOT**

The Board reaffirmed the mail ballot regarding approval of the November 5, 2019 meeting minutes.

### **4. INVESTIGATIONAL & CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION/REPORTS – CLOSED SESSION**

**MOTION:** Docter moved, seconded by Carnahan to go into closed session at 9:03 a.m. to hear discussions regarding confidential information and to protect the reputation of the individuals named or referenced in such discussions. Voting aye: Carnahan, Docter, Nicola and Roberts. Voting nay: None. Motion carried.

*These minutes were approved by the Board of Athletic Training via mail ballot.*

## **5. BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS ON APPLICATIONS – OPEN SESSION**

The Board returned to open session at 9:37 a.m.

There were no recommendations.

## **6. DISCUSSION/RESPONSE TO COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING 172 NAC 17 LICENSURE OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS**

There were no comments made at the public hearing or submitted to the department for the board to address.

## **7. ADOPTION OF 172 NAC 17 LICENSURE OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS**

**MOTION:** Docter moved, seconded by Nicola to adopt 172 NAC 17 as written. Voting aye: Carnahan, Docter, Nicola and Roberts. Voting nay: None. Motion carried.

## **8. COVID-19 AND LICENSURE**

Covert-ByBee gave an overview of Executive Order 20-10 which was signed on March 27<sup>th</sup> by Governor Ricketts and enacted temporary changes to licensure during the emergency declaration. One aspect that affects athletic trainers is that any profession under the Uniform Credentialing Act is allowed to temporarily reinstate without meeting continuing education requirements during the duration of the emergency declaration. She also mentioned that there are frequently asked questions documents available on the website about the executive orders as well as telehealth.

## **9. LICENSURE APPLICATION PROCESSING REPORT**

Carranza presented the application processing report for informational purposes only.

## **10. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

## **11. TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING**

Suggested topics for the next meeting included conviction review update, legislative update and regulation update.

## **12. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Docter, Vice-Chairperson