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## REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES

May 5, 2014

**Board Members Present:** Aaron Nelson ATC – Chair  
Eric Freas ATC – Vice-Chair  
Harold Callihan – Public Member  
Bart Peterson ATC – Athletic Trainer Member  
Jennifer Fadeley – Public Member

**Staff Present:** J. Randy Frost – Executive Director  
Karen Whiteford – Administrative Assistant

**Legal Staff Present:** Elizabeth Campbell – Assistant Attorney General

### Call to order

The regularly scheduled telephonic meeting of the Arizona State Board of Athletic Training was called to order at 9:33 a.m.

### Approval of the Meeting Minutes

Bart Peterson moved to accept the regular session meeting minutes of April 7, 2014. Eric Freas seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

### Declaration of conflicts of Interest

Aaron Nelson recused himself from 7(a) initial application for Kristine Foltz.

### Review Board Meeting Schedule

There were no changes made to the meeting schedule. The meeting time will be at 9:30 a.m.

- a. June 2, 2014 In Person
- b. July 7, 2014 In Person
- c. August 4, 2014 Telephonic

## **Review, Discussion, and Possible Action - Complaints, Investigations & Compliance**

### **Initial Review of Complaints**

Aaron Arreola, ATC Lic. #1258. Mr. Arreola was in attendance to discuss his failure to disclose negative background information. Mr. Arreola explained why he marked his application in the manner in which he did. He apologized for unintentionally misleading the Board. The Board members had several questions regarding his past licensure and certification. After some discussion, Harry Callihan moved to dismiss the filing of a complaint against Mr. Arreola. Eric Freas seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0

### **Open Complaints and Investigations**

There were no open complaints.

### **Discipline Status Report**

The Board discussed the Disciplinary Status Report of the following licensees:

1. Ricardo Moreno, ATC Lic. # 0281, Staff reported that Mr. Moreno has completed the requirements of his consent agreement and will complete probation on 5/9/14. A letter releasing him from probation will go out on 5/9.
2. Steven Patera Lic. #1088, Staff reported that Mr. Patera has signed his consent agreement and has inquired about the required CEs. He must complete everything by March of 2015.
3. Ryo Watanabe Lic. #0979, Staff reported that Mr. Watanabe has signed his consent agreement and his license was issued. He must complete his CEs by June 7, 2014. Mr. Watanabe indicated to staff that he will complete his CEs on time. The Board directed staff to contact Mr. Watanabe.

### **Informal Interviews**

There were no informal interviews to come before the Board.

### **Substantive review, discussion, and vote regarding the applications for licenses as follows:**

#### **a. Initial applications**

Anthony Cukierski	John DiCicco*	Kristine Foltz
Zachary Fournier	Margaret Rall*	Lizette Rodriguez
Yusuke Takahashi*		

Jennifer Fadeley moved to approve 4 initial applications. Bart Peterson seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0. Aaron Nelson Recused himself.

The Board reviewed the license application of John DiCicco. After some discussion, Bart Peterson moved to approve the initial application. Harry Callihan seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

The Board reviewed the license application of Margaret Rall. Ms. Rall disclosed discipline five years prior. Eric Freas moved to approve the initial application of Margaret Rall. Harry Callihan seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

The Board reviewed the license application of Yusuke Takahashi. Mr. Takahashi practiced without a license for 31 days. Bart Peterson moved to approve the license application of Mr. Takahashi pursuant to a consent agreement for probation, continuing education and a civil penalty. Eric Freas seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

**b. Renewal applications**

Allison Connolly	Dale Gilbert*	Christopher Gorosics
Mark Gruesbeck	Katsuhiro Ichihara	James Imhoff
Vanessa Jacinto	Jeffrey Jankowski	April Jessee
Curtis Johnson	Emily Johnson	Lauren Johnson
Matthew Johnson	Anna Johnson Manternach	Bruce Johnston
Charles Jones	Justin Kokoskie	Adam Krueger
Kristine Kuschel	Kathleen Langan	Gregory Latta
Mark Letendre	David Linaker	Thomas Lyle
Jacquleen Papa*		

Harold Callihan moved to approve 23 of the 25 renewal applications. Eric Freas seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0. The Board reviewed 2 renewal applications.

**c. Renewal applications: (Board Review)**

The Board reviewed the application of Dale Gilbert. Mr. Gilbert’s license expired on April 1, 2014. Mr. Gilbert attested that he was out of town and did not practice for several days but did for the 23 remaining days. Eric Freas moved to approve the renewal application of Dale Gilbert pending the signing of a consent agreement for probation, continuing education and a civil penalty. Bart Peterson seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

The Board reviewed the application of Jacquleen Papa. Ms. Papa’s license expired on April 1, 2014. Ms. Papa attested that she has been unemployed and has not practiced. Harry Callihan moved to approve the renewal application of Jacquleen Papa. Eric Freas seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

**d. Incomplete applications:**

Andrew Cleves	Maria Delliveneri	Aaron Evans
Audrey Marquez		

The Board staff updated the Board on the incomplete applications. Mr. Frost notified the Board that a letter was sent to Ms. Marquez reminding her that she can’t practice.

**e. Previously approved applications: (Board Review)**

There were no previously approved applications for the Board's review.

**Review, Discussion, and Possible Action - Other Business**

- a. Status of the discussion between the AT and OT Board Chairs. Aaron Nelson reported that he has reached out to Mr. Tutelman of the OT Board but has yet to make a connection. This item will remain on future agendas.
- b. State participation in the BOCs Disciplinary Action Exchange. The Board discussed the negatives and the positives to participation. After some discussion, the Board directed staff to monitor the site and report to the Board regarding others state participation and the types of information disclosed. This item is to remain on future Board agendas for discussion.
- c. Emails received from Michelle Gonzalez, President of the AzATA, regarding EMTs at youth sporting events and rumors regarding ATs use of dry needling. The Board discussed correspondence received regarding complaints from ATs that EMTs are performing duties that require an AT. The discussion centered on the scope of practice for both practitioners and whether what EMTs do violates the AT laws. Assistant AG, Elizabeth Campbell stated that if the EMTs are operating within their scope of practice then there would be no violation. After the discussion the Board directed staff to research the Statutes and Rules for EMTs and contact the EMT Board and report back at the June meeting.

The Board also discussed dry needling and whether or not there has been any interest by ATs in dry needling. No one is aware of any activity by ATs. Board President Aaron Nelson and Assistant Attorney General Elizabeth Campbell stated that dry needling is not within the scope of practice for an AT. The Board asked staff to monitor and keep the Board informed.

- d. E-mail received from Debbie Craig @ NAU regarding the use of student workers at the USAVB Open. The Board directed staff to send correspondence to the coordinator of the event and point out the Board's rules and statutes.
- e. Outcome of the meeting with Dr. Javier Cardenas and discussion with Mike Nesbitt regarding the formation of a Task Force to address the issue of the lack of ATs at youth sporting events. Mike Nesbitt was present for the meeting and gave the Board his impression of the meeting what he felt we gained from the meeting. The meeting was a very productive meeting. Dr Cardenas was on board with our concerns and agreed to set a meeting with all the concerned parties. The meeting could work into a task force to address AT coverage at state school sporting events. This item will remain on the agenda as this initiative advances.

**Review, Discussion and Possible Action - Administrative Matters**

- a. Revenue and Expenditure – Mr. Frost advised the Board of the Boards finances and that with the supplemental received the Board will finish the year in the black.

b. Review of Administrative Project Status - Mr. Frost updated the Board on the following projects:

- Policies and Procedures – Sunrise/Sunset Process
- Board Automation
- Budget Supplemental
- School Board Presentation
- Legislative Updates

c. Future Agenda Items

Several items discussed in this meeting will be carried over to future meetings.

### **Call to the Public**

There were no members of the public present.

### **Adjournment**

Eric Freas motioned to adjourn the meeting for April 7, 2014. Harold Callihan seconded the motion. The Board Meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Randy Frost, Executive Director