

**North Dakota State Board of Occupational Therapy Practice
May 10, 2021
Special Meeting
Held by virtual means via GoTo Meeting.
Minutes**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair, Kari Idso, at 10:00 am.

Present

Board Members – Kari Idso, Sarah Nielsen, Janae Hughes, and Carol Olson.
Others – Jacinda Simmons; Annique Lockard, Legal Counsel.

{Angie Neigum and Carol Olson absent}

Minutes

January 26, 2021 Regular Board Meeting - A motion was made to approve the minutes. (Idso/Hughes/carried)
[Neigum and Olson absent] **[Bd. Office]**

{Carol Olson present}

Financial Report

Ending March 31, 2021, revenue is over budget and expenses are under budget. Upcoming CDs will be renewed at the best rate.

A motion was made to approve the financial report. (Neigum/Olson/carried) [Roll Call Vote: Nielsen (y), Idso (y), Hughes (y), Olson (y)] [Neigum absent] **[Bd. Office]**

2021-2023 Budget

The line item for New Licenses was decreased slightly since there were less new licenses in the last 2 years. Line item for Renewed Licenses was increased as the last 2 years went about \$18,000 over budget. Scanning of files was decreased as Board office in doing most scanning in the office. Board office will be purchasing a desktop scanner at partial cost of approximately \$200 to the Board.

A motion was made to approve the 2021-2023 budget. (Idso/Olson/carried) [Roll Call Vote: Nielsen (y), Idso (y), Hughes (y), Olson (y)] [Neigum absent] **[Bd. Office]**

Complaint

A. Kinnischtzke - A motion was made to dismiss the complaint. (Nielsen/Olson/carried) [Roll Call Vote: Nielsen (y), Idso (y), Hughes (y), Olson (y)] [Neigum absent] **[Legal Counsel]**

Update on Licensee Self-Report

Isaac George – He submitted continuing education as the Board requested. His trial date will be July 13, 2021 for domestic violence, simple assault, and interference with a 911 call.

A motion was made to table the item until his court date. (Hughes/Idso/carried) [Roll Call Vote: Nielsen (y), Idso (y), Hughes (y), Olson (y)] [Neigum absent] **[Bd. Office]**

Administrative Rules Update

The Board's new Administrative Rules became effective on April 1, 2021.

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The Board will send out the Jurisprudence exam and assign questions to each Board member to review to make sure it is consistent with the new Administrative Rules. **[Bd. Office]**

Newsletter to Licensees - A motion was made to send out a newsletter to licensees notifying them of the updated rules. (Nielsen/Idso/carried) [Roll Call Vote: Nielsen (y), Idso (y), Hughes (y), Olson (y)] [Neigum absent] **[Bd. Office & members]**

2021 Legislative Session Update

OT Licensure Compact Legislation Update – No bill was filed but could be next session.

Telehealth Proposed Bill – Bill failed but could be brought up at next session.

HB1472 Consumer Access to Complementary and Alternative Healthcare – Bill failed in the House.

SB2336 Licensure Compacts – This bill concerns changing licensure compacts that are already in place by repealing all of them and requiring each Board to add compact language to their Administrative Code. It did not directly affect this Board. It was amended to be a legislative study that only applies to behavioral and mental health fields. The existing compacts are still in law. The bill was passed and signed by the Governor.

ACOTE Inactive Status for MS Degrees

UND and University of Mary has discontinued the master's degree for Occupational Therapy and going solely to the doctorate degree. This will not affect licensure requirements. The Board anticipated this when they changed their rules in 2014. The Administrative Rules require graduates of an approved program but do not state a specific degree. It allows for OTs to have a doctorate or master's degree in OT and for OTAs to have an associate or bachelor's degree in OT.

NBCOT/AOTA Update

NBCOT Leadership Forum 9/22-23/2021 – Hughes and Olson are interested in attending. NBCOT has not decided if it will be virtual or in-person or a combination. In past years, NBCOT has paid for one Board member and one administrator to attend. The Board office will send out information when available. **[Bd. Office]**

Request for Barbara Williams, NBCOT, to Attend a Board Meeting – A motion was made to grant their request to attend the next Board meeting sometime in August 2021. (Nielsen/Olson/carried) [Roll Call Vote: Nielsen (y), Idso (y), Hughes (y), Olson (y)] [Neigum absent] **[Bd. Office]**

Continuing Education Request

Sharon Drewlo – Authored book, "Guide & Grow: Baby's First Year" - A motion was made to approve the request for 20 hours of continuing education for the 2020-2022 licensing period. (Nielsen/Olson/carried) [Roll Call Vote: Nielsen (y), Idso (y), Hughes (y), Olson (y)] [Neigum absent] **[Bd. Office]**

List of Approved Licensees (1/12/2021-5/5/2021)

A motion was made that the Board approves and ratifies the attached list of issued licenses. (Olson/Idso/carried) [Roll Call Vote: Nielsen (y), Olson (y), Hughes (y), Idso (y), Olson (y)] [Neigum absent]

Nielsen asked if it would be helpful to the Board to ask each applicant if they intend to work in telehealth or in-person therapy. Legal Counsel states it would be dependent on the reciprocity rules if they can ask that information. Tabled to the next agenda.

Next Meeting Date

The Board will meet again sometime in August 2021.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 10:53 am.

Respectfully submitted,

**Kari Idso,
Board Chair**

**Jacinda Simmons
Administrative Assistant
NDBOTP Office**

NDBOTP Licenses Issued (1/12/2021-05/05/2021):

Last Name	First Name	License #	License Type	Issue Date	Expiration Date	Employer Name	Emp City/State
McCurry	Erin	1835	OT	2/1/2021	6/30/2022	Rock Creek Teletherapy	Billings, MT
Reishus	Jessica	1834	OT	2/1/2021	6/30/2022	Jump Start Pediatric Therapy	Coeur D' Alene, ID
Fladeland	Hannah	1836	OTA	2/1/2021	6/30/2022	Post Acute Medical	Fargo, ND
Austin	Savannah	1837	OT	2/2/2021	6/30/2022	San Carlos Apache Healthcare	Peridot, AZ
LaVoi	Taylor	1838	OT	2/2/2021	6/30/2022		
Johnson	Brooke	1839	OT	2/8/2021	6/30/2022	Mercy Hospital	Oklahoma City, OK
Lundblad	Jennifer	1840	OTA	2/12/2021	6/30/2022	North Dakota State College of Science	Wahpeton, ND
Freuer	Jessica	1516	OT	2/22/2021	6/30/2022	Good Samaritan Society	Bismarck, ND
Walthers	Kylie	1841	OT	2/22/2021	6/30/2022		
Chaput	Cheyenne	1842	OTA	2/22/2021	6/30/2022	Big Stone Therapies	Hillsboro, ND
Fisher	Ginger	1843	OTA	2/25/2021	6/30/2022	Blue Stone Therapy	Urbandale, IA
Summers	Amy	1844	OT	2/26/2021	6/30/2022	Home Care Health Services	Manitowoc, WI
Houge	Mary	1845	OT	3/1/2021	6/30/2022	naviHealth	Brentwood, TN
Duncan	Kathryn	Limited Permit	OTA	3/1/2021	7/1/2021	Great Kids Therapy	
Dardis	Wayne	1846	OT	3/8/2021	6/30/2022	Big Stone Therapies	Little Falls, MN
Dulka	Jacquelyn	1518	OT	3/8/2021	6/30/2022	Essentia Home Health	Fargo, ND
Melby	Paige	1847	OT	3/8/2021	6/30/2022	Good Samaritan Society	Robbinsdale, MN
Kolling	Laura	1245	OTA	3/8/2021	6/30/2022	Beyond Boundaries Therapy	Fargo, ND
Medina	Hayley	1848	OT	4/5/2021	6/30/2022	Craig Hospital	Englewood, CO
Pfau	Shannon	1850	OT	4/6/2021	6/30/2022	Creative Spirit Counseling	Fargo, ND
Van Cleve	Ariana	1849	OTA	4/6/2021	6/30/2022	Essentia Health	Fargo, ND
Radermacher	Kallie	1852	OTA	4/26/2021	6/30/2022		
Wagner	Scott	1131	OT	4/29/2021	6/30/2022	Little Lights Pediatric Therapy	Bismarck, ND