

**North Dakota State Board of Occupational Therapy Practice  
August 9, 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 1:00 pm.

**Present**

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

***{Angie Neigum and Sarah Nielsen absent}***

**Minutes**

**May 10, 2021, Special Board Meeting - A motion was made** to approve the minutes. (Olson/Idso/carried)  
[Neigum and Nielsen absent] **[Bd. Office]**

**Audit**

The only finding was “Internal Control over Financial Reporting” meaning that the Board does not have enough Board members or staff to have each person handle a different aspect of the finances. This is a finding that appears on all the Board’s audits and is not a significant deficiency.

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

**FARB Conference**

Lockard is request funds to attend the FARB conference. The conference is an annual conference for regulatory Board attorneys.

**A motion was made** to approve expending \$300 to help Lockard with expenses for the FARB conference. (Idso/Hughes/carried) [Roll Call Vote: Idso (y), Hughes (y), Olson (y)] [Neigum & Nielsen absent] **[Bd. Office]**

**Update on Licensee Self-Report**

**Isaac George – A motion was made** to table the item until the next meeting and request him to submit the pretrial diversion documents in 6 months. (Olson/Idso/carried) [Roll Call Vote: Idso (y), Hughes (y), Olson (y)] [Neigum and Nielsen absent] **[Bd. Office]**

**Applicant Review**

**Megan Hoyhtya - A motion was made** to grant the license. (Idso/Olson/carried) [Roll Call Vote: Idso (y), Hughes (y), Olson (y)] [Neigum & Nielsen absent] **[Bd. Office]**

**Jurisprudence Exam**

No changes from Nielsen, Hughes, Idso, and Olson. Board office will check with Neigum if she had any changes. Tabled to next meeting for any changes from Neigum. **[Bd. Office]**

**Telehealth Question**

Legal counsel states that Board can ask anything they want but what will they do with that information. ND law (NDCC 43-51-03(2)) states that the relationship must have been formed in the other state to do telehealth without a ND license. Board no longer feels the question on the application is necessary.

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The Board will review their telehealth statement at the next meeting. Board office will seek out telehealth statement from physical therapy and speech pathology boards. **[Bd. Office]**

**List of Approved Licensees (5/5/2021-8/2/2021)**

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

**Board Appointments**

Idso may be moving out of state and will let the Board office know in the next couple of weeks. **[Idso]**

Olson wishes to be reappointed but is unsure she qualifies now that she is retired. Legal counsel says to apply and let the governor's office determine if she's still qualified. **[Olson]**

**NBCOT Presentation**

Barb Williams with NBCOT explained the role of NBCOT in licensure exams and partnership with the Board.

**Next Meeting Date**

The Board will meet again sometime in January 2022.

**Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 pm.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Kari Idso,  
Board Chair**

**Jacinda Simmons  
Administrative Assistant  
NDBOTP Office**

**NDBOTP New Licenses and Limited Permits Issued 5/5/2021-8/2/2021**

Last Name	First Name	License #	Type	Issue Date	Expiration	Employer Name	City	State
Abel	Brooke	1587	OT	06/24/2021	6/30/2022	CHI Health at Home	Breckenridge	MN
Arnhalt	Michelle	1869	OT	7/21/2021	6/30/2022	Benedictine Living Community	Wahpeton	ND
Berglund	Kaitlyn	1857	OT	6/28/2021	6/30/2022			
Bruggman	Stephanie	1856	OT	6/28/2021	6/30/2022	ISD 271 Bloomington Public Schools	Minneapolis	MN
Cassell	Evan	1859	OT	6/28/2021	6/30/2022			
Coalwell	Lexie	1860	OT	7/2/2021	6/30/2022	Sanford Health	Fargo	ND
Fetsch	Dalton	1871	OT	7/26/2021	6/30/2022	Sanford Health	Fargo	ND
Grimley	Allyson	1862	OT	7/8/2021	6/30/2022			
Hamann	Megan	1865	OT	7/12/2021	6/30/2022	Embrace Therapy Services	Fargo	ND
Harpster	Jennifer	1853	OT	6/1/2021	6/30/2022	Remedy Therapy	Pierre	SD
Harrell	Rachel	1861	OT	7/6/2021	6/30/2022			
Jensen	Madison	1868	OT	7/21/2021	6/30/2022	Big Country Rehab	Douglas	WY
Johnson	Melanie	1858	OT	6/28/2021	6/30/2022	Essentia Health-South University Clinic	Fargo	ND
McCabe	Colleen	1873	OT	8/2/2021	6/30/2022	Select Medical	Philadelphia	PA
Morgan	Kiley	1863	OT	7/9/2021	6/30/2022	Cariant Health Partners	Omaha	NE
Nieuwsma	Nicole	1875	OT	8/2/2021	6/30/2022			
Peacock	Alycia	LP	OT LP	06/14/2021	10/14/2021	Little Miracles, Inc.	Grand Forks	ND
Peterman	Brianna	LP	OT LP	07/26/2021	11/26/2021			
Romsdal	Macie	1866	OT	7/12/2021	6/30/2022	Pediatric Partners Clinic	Fargo	ND
Saunders	Jordan	1855	OT	6/24/2021	6/30/2022			
Schumacher	Tasha	1463	OT	05/24/2021	6/30/2022	Bozeman Health Deaconess Hospital	Bozeman	MT
Schumacher	Bailey	LP	OT LP	06/24/2021	10/24/2021			
Sherry	Kelsey	1864	OT	7/12/2021	6/30/2022	Altru Health System	Grand Forks	ND
Shorma	Casandra	1369 - LP	OT LP	05/10/2021	9/10/2021			ND
Spanos	Grace	LP	OT LP	05/24/2021	9/24/2021			
Spero	Michael	1872	OT	8/2/2021	6/30/2022	Therapy Express	Boise	ID
Steffen	Brandon	1874	OT	8/2/2021	6/30/2022	Altru Health System	Grand Forks	ND
Stevens	Shalee	1854	OT	6/4/2021	6/30/2022			
Stiegelmeier	Karen	LP	OT LP	05/14/2021	9/14/2021			
Vee	Joshua	1568 - LP	OT LP	07/02/2021	11/2/2021			

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Wavra	Gabrielle	LP	OT LP	05/17/2021	9/17/2021	Pediatric Partners	Bismarck	ND
Wendel	Abby	1867	OT	7/19/2021	6/30/2022			
Wittenberg	Shelby	1870	OT	7/26/2021	6/30/2022	Red Door Pediatric	Bismarck	ND