



**Government of the District of Columbia
Department of Health
Board of Occupational Therapy**

**899 NORTH CAPITOL ST. NE – 2ND FLR.
WASHINGTON, DC 20002**

March 20, 2017

2:30pm-5:00pm

MEETING MINUTES

BOOT Mission Statement:

“To provide oversight to licensed professionals and ensure the health and safety of citizens and visitors in the District of Columbia through provision of health care services.”



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BOARD MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE: March 2017

BOARD MEMBERS:		
	FRANK GAINER, CHAIR	Present
	TRACEY ELLIS, VICE CHAIR	Present
	ROXANNE ARNEAUD, MEMBER	Absent
	CHARLES BOND, RRT, MEMBER	Present
	CONSUMER MEMBER	Vacant
STAFF:	ROBIN JENKINS–EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	Present
	MAVIS AZARIAH– HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	Absent
	ERIC YEAGER–HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	Present
	REBECCA ODRICK – INVESTIGATOR	Present
	DEREK BROOKS – SUPERVISORY INVESTIGATOR	Present
	DIANE MOORER – IT SUPPORT	
	PANRAVEE VONGJAROENRAT, ESQ. – ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL	Present
VISITOR:	KENDRA WAGNER, STUDENT	Present



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OPEN SESSION March 2017: Call to Order:

	<u>Senior Deputy Director's Report:</u> None	
	<u>Executive Director's Report:</u> The Executive Director announced that on March 1, 2017 she appeared at the oversight hearing before the D.C. Council's Committee on Health and reported on the progress of all the Allied and Behavioral Health Boards under her direction. Seven chairs of the 19 licensing boards gave testimony to the committee, and the information was well received, the Executive Director reported. She also noted that the Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments (MOTA) has indicated that this Board may soon have a Consumer Member.	
	<p><u>Chairperson's Report:</u> The Board Chair regretted not being able to attend the oversight hearing before the City Council, but he said that he submitted written testimony. He also noted that he was recently sworn in again at the City Council.</p> <p>Board Chair Frank Gainer expressed concern that the Physical Therapy Board is expanding the scope of practice for Athletic Trainers too broadly stating Athletic Trainers should not be able to treat patients who have suffered strokes or patients with ADL because they are not trained. He announced that he plans to attend the Board of Physical Therapy's next meeting on April 12 to voice his concerns.</p> <p><u>Board Members Reports:</u> Board Member Tracey Ellis said that she will be sworn in again soon as well. Board Member Charles Bond reported that he completed the required ethics course, but said that he still has not been issued an email address. Board Member Tracey Ellis said that she also completed the ethics course, and that she does have an email address.</p>	
	<u>Attorney's Report:</u> All regulation updates were reported by the attorney.	



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OS-0320-01	The Board approved the December 2016 Open Session Minutes with the correction that they be labeled "December 2016," not "June 2016."	ALL
OS-0320-02	<p><u>Update on Dance Therapy Regulations</u> The Executive Director reported that the Dance Therapy regulations are outdated and recommended that they be updated. At the same time, she recognized that there are currently only five (5) licensed Dance Therapists in D.C., so there is a question of how urgent the need for revision is at this time. She suggested an initiative to conduct more outreach so that the public can learn about the profession and become interested in being licensed professionals.</p>	
	<p><u>Adjournment</u> The Open Session Board meeting ended at <u>3:35 pm</u> and pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b), and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board moved into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting.</p> <p>The Next Board meeting is scheduled for <u>June 19, 2017.</u></p>	

Frank E. Gainer, Chairperson

Date