

BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

March 17, 2025

2:30 PM to 3:30 PM

In Person Meeting Notice

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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 the provision of health care services."

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CALL TO ORDER:

	<p><u>Roll Call</u></p> <p><u>Board Members:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Gillian Rai, Board Chair • Mr. Charles Bond, Board Member • Mr. Frank Gainer, Board Member • Mr. Omololu Majekodunmi, Board Member <p><u>Board Staff:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. LaTrice Herndon, Executive Director • Ms. Fatima Abby, Health Licensing Specialist • Ms. Joanne Drozdoski, Board Attorney • Ms. Whitney Moore, Investigator <p><u>Visitor:</u></p> <p>Konah Bernard, OT, NBCOT Ambassador</p>	
OS-0317-01	<p><u>Approval of the Open Session Agenda</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u></p> <p>Consideration of the Open Session Agenda from the March 17, 2025 Meeting.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u></p> <p>Motion made by Mr. Frank Gainer to accept the March 17, 2025, Open Session Agenda with the added addendum. Seconded by Mr. Charles Bond.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u></p> <p>Dr. Gillian Rai, Mr. Frank Gainer, Mr. Charles Bond and Mr. Omololu Majekodunmi voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
OS-0317-02	<p><u>BOARD/DEPARTMENT’S REPORT</u></p> <p>A. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Herndon reminded the board that the Performance Oversight hearing for the Boards of Dentistry, Medicine, Pharmacy, and Psychology was held on March 5, 2025. The hearing featured 	

	<p>testimony from public witnesses as well as from Chairpersons of the boards. The hearing can be watched at the following link.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Census: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Occupational Therapists:915 ▪ Occupational Therapy Assistants: 65 • Legislative Updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ There was no legislative other than the information Ms. Herndon reported. <p>B. BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was no report from the Board attorney. The Board attorney indicated that there was a quorum. <p>C. BOARD CHAIR’S REPORT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was no report from the Board Chair. 	
OS-0317-03	<p><u>Open Session Minutes</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Consideration of the Open Session Minutes from the December 16, 2024, meeting.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Mr. Charles Bond to accept December 16, 2024, Open Session Minutes. Seconded by Mr. Omololu Majekodunmi.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Dr. Gillian Rai, Mr. Frank Gainer, Mr. Charles Bond and Mr. Omololu Majekodunmi voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
OS-0317-04	<p><u>Use of AI to Complete Occupational Therapy Documentation</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> The Board is to begin discussions about how they wish to regulate it here in the District of Columbia.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> No motion was made. The Board members do find that Artificial intelligence (AI) is a great tool to use. However, the Board discussed</p>	

	cyber security concerns including HIPPA violation concerns. Tabled to the next Board meeting for more discussion.	
OS-0317-05	<p><u>Open Session Consent Agenda</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Consideration of the applications approved for purposes of review and/or ratification of Board actions taken since the last Board meeting.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> The Consent Agenda is a record of the decisions and/or actions taken by the Board or its staff since the last meeting.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Mr. Omololu Majekodunmi to accept the Open Session Consent Agenda. Seconded by Dr. Gillian Rai.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Dr. Gillian Rai, Mr. Frank Gainer, Mr. Charles Bond and Mr. Omololu Majekodunmi voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
OS-0317-06	<p><u>MOTION TO CLOSE & ADJOURN</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).</p> <p><u>Background:</u> Pursuant to DC Official Code § 2-575(b), the Board will move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting to discuss the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To consult with an attorney to obtain legal advice and to preserve the attorney-client privilege between an attorney and a public body, or to approve settlement agreements pursuant to § 2-575(b)(4)(a). 2. Preparation, administration, or grading of scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examinations pursuant to section § 2-575(b)(6). 3. To discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to section § 2575(b)(9). 	

	<p>4. To plan, discuss, or hear reports concerning ongoing or planned investigation of alleged criminal or civil misconduct or violations of law or regulations, if disclosure to the public would harm the investigation pursuant to section § 2-575(b) (14).</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Mr. Frank Gainer to close the Open Session Meeting. Seconded by Mr. Omololu Majekodunmi.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Dr. Gillian Rai, Mr. Frank Gainer, Mr. Charles Bond and Mr. Omololu Majekodunmi voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
Public Comment	<p><u>Public Comment:</u> Ms. Konah Bernard, OT, NBCOT Ambassador, updated on the NBCOT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NBCOT performed practice analysis studies in 2022. They have updated some of the content outlines and the Practice Analysis Executive Summary on the website. • Many states now recognize NBCOT Navigator online continuing education competency assessment tool as an option for those who want to get continuing education requirements. • NBCOT has launched OT campaign to help promote the profession in which ambassadors and clinicians go to various platforms such as schools, etc. to explain what is occupational therapy. 	

The next meeting is scheduled for **June 16, 2025**.
This ends the Open Session Minutes.

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