

1 The Florida Board of Orthotists and Prosthetists will hold a meeting on Wednesday, July, 13,
2 2016, commencing at 9:00 a.m., or shortly thereafter. This meeting will be held at the Double
3 Tree Orlando Airport, 5555 Hazeltine National Drive, Orlando, FL 32812 407 856-0100 to which
4 all persons are invited to attend. Participants in this public meeting should be aware that these
5 proceedings are being recorded and that an audio file of the meeting will be posted to the board's
6 website.

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8 **AGENDA**

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10 **Meeting began at 9:10 am**

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12 **I. CALL TO ORDER (Roll Call):**

13 Gail Curry called the roll. All Board Members are present.

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15 **Board Members:**

16 Tommy Chmielewski, LPO, Chair
17 Brett Saunders, CPO, FAAOP
18 Ruphlal R. Gooljar, CPO, MA
19 George H. Meyer, Jr.
20 Wayne Rosen, LPED, LPO

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22 **Board Staff:**

23 Anthony B. Spivey, DBA, Executive Director
24 Gail Curry, Program Operations Administrator
25 Siby Koshy, Bureau of Operations

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27 **Board Counsel:**

28 Tom Barnhart, Assistant Attorney General
29 Office of Attorney General

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31 **Audio/Visual:**

32 Vanguard Audio Visual

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34 **Court Reporter:**

35 American Court Reporting

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37 **Section I ended at 9:11 a.m.**

38 **Section II started at 9:11 a.m.**

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40 **II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

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42 Brett Saunders had a question about item number 3, Residency Extension question. This will be
43 under Future items.

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45 a. April 22, 2016 – Teleconference Call

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47 **Action taken:** Motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Chmielewski, Seconded by Mr.
48 Saunders.

49 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried

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1 **Section II ended at 9:13 a.m.**
2 **Section III started at 9:13 a.m.**

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5 **III. UNLICENSED ACTIVITY PRESENTATION** - Sidronio “Chilo” Casas
6 Mr. Casas gave a presentation on unlicensed activity and the way it works and what it
7 accomplishes for the safety of the citizens of Florida. Mr. Casas answered questions from the
8 Board Members.

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10 Dr. Spivey asked if some filed an “anonymous” complaint how they would get the updates.
11 They would have to create a fictitious email to get the updates.

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13 Some discussion about braces that are purchased by mail/email. Unlicensed Activity unit will
14 investigate anyone dispensing without a license. If it is out of state then they would work with the
15 Federal government.

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17 **Section III ended at 9:34 a.m.**
18 **Section IV started at 9:34 a.m.**

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20 **IV. ALTHEA POWELL-CHANDLER:**

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22 **a. Discussion of Arizona Brace**

23 Ms. Powell-Chandler gave a presentation regarding the Pedorthists not being able to make the
24 Arizona Brace. She explained that the brace was invented by a Pedorthist and the Pedorthists isn't
25 allowed to use it.

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27 **Discussion:** Mr. Chmielewski explained what the brace was used for. Mr. Saunders explained
28 that the Board cannot change the statute, 468.8011. The brace has evolved over the years and
29 doesn't seem to be in the Scope of Practice for a Pedorthist any longer.

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31 **b. Pedorthist Board Member**

32 Ms. Powell-Chandler would like to see a pedorthist represented on the Board. Feels like Mr.
33 Rosen being on the board is a conflict of interest because he holds 2 licenses.

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35 **Discussion:** Mr. Saunders referred to Statue 468.8011 and the Scope of Practice.

36 Mr. Saunders explained that membership on the Board is a gubernatorial appointment, chosen by
37 statute. She could request to be appointed to the Board by the Governor. Statues are not easily
38 changed.

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40 **Section IV ended at 9:50 a.m.**
41 **Section V started at 9:50 a.m.**

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43 **V. RATIFICATION:**

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45 **a. Licensure –**

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47 **i. Orthotists/Prosthetists**

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49 316 – 321

50 **Action taken:** Motion to approve the Ratification List for Licensure of Orhtotists/Prosthetists

1 was made by Mr. Chmielewski, Seconded by Mr. Saunders.
2 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried

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4 **ii. Prosthetists**

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8 **Action taken:** Motion to approve the Ratification List for Licensure of Prosthetists was made by
9 Mr. Chmielewski, Seconded by Mr. Saunders.

10 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried

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13 **iii. Orthotists**

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17 **Action taken:** Motion to approve the Orthotists was made by Mr. Chmielewski, Seconded by
18 Mr. Saunders.

19 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried

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21 **iv. Orthotic Fitter**

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25 **Action taken:** Motion to approve the Orthotic Fitter was made by Mr. Chmielewski, Seconded
26 by Mr. Saunders.

27 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried

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29 **v. Orthotic Fitter Assistant**

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31 NONE

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33 **vi. Pedorthists**

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37 **Action taken:** Motion to approve the Pedorthists was made by Mr. Chmielewski, Seconded by
38 Mr. Saunders.

39 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried

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41 **vii. Orthotic Resident**

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45 **Action taken:** Motion to approve the Orthotic Resident was made by Mr. Chmielewski,
46 Seconded by Mr. Saunders.

47 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried

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1 **viii.** Prosthetic Resident

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3 53, 98, 99, 100, 101

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5 **Action taken:** Motion to approve the Prosthetic Resident was made by Mr. Chmielewski,
6 Seconded by Mr. Saunders.

7 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried

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10 **Section V ended at 9:55 a.m.**

11 **Section VI started at 9:55 a.m.**

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13 **VI. PROSECUTION REPORT:**

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15 Not represented today as there are no cases that are older than 1 year.

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17 **Section VI ended at 9:57 a.m.**

18 **Section VII started at 9:57 a.m.**

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21 **VII. CONTINUING EDUCATION:**

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23 Approved by CE Committee: Florida Association of Orthotists & Prothetists

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25 This was for information only.

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27 **Section VII ended at 9:57 a.m.**

28 **Section VIII started at 9:57 a.m.**

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30 **VIII. CHAIR/VICE-CHAIR REPORT:**

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32 a. Future Agenda Items

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34 Nothing to report.

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36 **Section VIII ended at 10:09 a.m.**

37 **BREAK**

38 **Section IX started at 10:14 a.m.**

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40 **IX. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Given by Dr. Anthony Spivey

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42 On Sept. 27th will be the annual Healthy Weight meeting Mr. Gooljar will be attending. On Sept.
43 28th there will be the Chair/Vice Chair meeting. Saunders will be attending.

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45 We have had a shortage of board staff. Out of an office of 12 we have been down 5 people. We
46 have been slammed. We have recently hired a Regulatory Supervisor and an Administrative
47 Assistant. Gail was recently hired.

48 **Section IX ended at 10:17 a.m.**

49 **Section X started at 10:17 a.m.**

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51 **X. BOARD COUNSEL REPORT:**

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2 Was given by Tom Barnhart.

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4 a. JAPC Letter – Rule 64B14-2.0015

5 b. JAPC Letter – Rule 64B14-2.002

6 These 2 rules are already in effect.

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8 c. JAPC Letter - Rule 64B14-7.003

9 Tabled until the Oct. meeting

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11 d. Rule 64B14-7.003 Notice of Proposed Rule

12 Any discussion or changes that you would like to make at this time?

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14 e. Rules Report

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16 **Section X ended at 10:56 a.m.**

17 **Section XI started at 10:56 a.m.**

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19 **XI. OLD BUSINESS:**

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21 Nothing to discuss.

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23 **Section IX ended at 10:56 a.m.**

24 **Section XII started at 10:56 a.m.**

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26 **XII. NEW BUSINESS:**

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28 We have a few carry overs that have already need noticed.

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30 **Section XII ended at 10:56 a.m.**

31 **Section XIII started at 10:57 a.m.**

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33 **XIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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35 a. Budget – George Meyer

36 Nothing to report

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38 b. Continuing Education – Tommy Chmielewski

39 FALP was already presented to you today.

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41 c. Credentials – Brett Saunders

42 Nothing to report.

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44 d. Disciplinary Compliance – Tommy Chmielewski

45 Consulted with Towanda Burnett and there is 1 case he reviewed and will terminated in Aug.

46 10 cases they are monitoring and 3 of those 10 are probation and 1 is working in our profession.

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1 e. Healthiest Weight – Ruphlal Gooljar

2 Mr. Gooljar has been working with Nick Van Der Linden from DOH and they are very close to
3 having a Healthy Weight course for Orthotists and Prothetists. This course should be approved
4 by September this year.

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6 f. Legislation – Wayne Rosen

7 Nothing to report. Tony will check for the contact person at DOH for Mr. Rosen. Also, will get
8 a New Board Member training set up for Mr. Rosen.

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10 g. Rules – Brett Saunders

11 Nothing to report.

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13 h. Probable Cause – George Meyer

14 Had 2 cases presented. Zero recommendations for continuing with the cases.

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16 i. Unlicensed Activity – Ruphlal Gooljar

17 As of July 7 there have been no Cease and Desists orders. Mr. Casas will be presenting to the
18 FAOP on Friday.

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20 **Section XIII ended at 11:12 a.m.**

21 **Section IV started at 11:12 a.m.**

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23 Any other business to be discussed?

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25 Anyone represented here that would like to speak to the Board?

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27 Ron LaFasce representing the FAOP. Gave an update relating to renewal and license fees.

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29 **IV. PROPOSED 2017 MEETING DATES**

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31 January 6, 2017 - TCC

32 April 14, 2017 - TCC

33 July 7, 2017 - TCC Conflict

34 October 20, 2017 – TCC

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36 Coordinate the July meeting with FAOP. July 7th is a conflict.

37 Post a tweet about the dates.

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40 **Section IV ended at 11:15 a.m.**

41 **Section XV started at 11:15 a.m.**

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43 **XV. NEXT MEETING DATE:**

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45 i. October 7, 2016 – Telephone Conference Call

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47 **Section XV ended at 11:15 a.m.**

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49 **XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

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Action taken: Motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Chmielewski, Seconded by Mr. Saunders.

Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

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