



**CALIFORNIA BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY**

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**SPECIAL TELECONFERENCE BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Friday, April 7, 2017**

Board Member(s) Present

Denise Miller, OT – President  
Sharon Pavlovich, OTA - Secretary  
Laura Hayth, OT  
Teresa Davies  
Jeff Ferro  
Beata Morcos

Board Staff Present

Heather Martin, Executive Officer  
Jeff Hanson, Program Analyst  
Ileana Butu, Legal Counsel

1. Call to order, roll call, and establishment of a quorum.

At 11:06 a.m. President Denise Miller called the meeting to order. Contact was established at each teleconference site. Roll was called; and a quorum was established.

2. Finding of Necessity for Special Meeting (Gov. Code Section 11125.4)

- ❖ Sharon Pavlovich moved that the necessity for a special meeting is supported by the fact that providing the usual 10 day notice for a meeting of the Board would pose a hardship on the Board, in that the Board would be deprived of the ability to submit responses to the Sunset Review Committee timely since its next regularly scheduled meeting was not until June 1 and 2, 2017.

- ❖ Jeff Ferro seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Denise Miller	Aye
Jeff Ferro	Aye
Sharon Pavlovich	Aye
Laura Hayth	Aye
Teresa Davies	Aye
Beata Morcos	Aye

3. Public comment session for items not on the agenda.

Heather Javaherian, Program Director, Loma Linda University’s MOT Program, asked if the Board was aware of a proposal that discussed at the American Occupational Therapy Association national conference changing fieldwork requirements and replace an internship with a proposed new residency.

President Miller responded the Board is aware of the issue, that she served on the Ad Hoc Committee that discussed the future of fieldwork and the matter will be discussed at the June meeting.

4. Review and discussion of Proposed Responses to Sunset Issues Report and resulting proposed legislation necessary to respond to the legislative Background Paper for the California Board of Occupational Therapy; possible action.

Executive Officer Heather Martin referred Board Members to the meeting materials and explained that Board staff drafted responses to fifteen questions that the Joint Oversight Committee posed regarding the Board's Sunset Report.

President Miller indicated she had a question about Issue #3 and asked Ms. Martin if the Board was pursuing an attestation requirement that practitioners acknowledge that they have read the laws and regulations related to their practice. Ms. Martin responded "yes."

Laura Hayth identified a typographical error. Ms. Hayth indicated the rest of the report looked good. The Board members concurred.

Heather Martin asked Board members to look at Issue #14 and asked if they would like to identify several of the legislative proposals as being significant or a priority for the Board. Following discussion on the matter, President Miller indicated she would prefer all legislative proposals in the Board's Sunset report be equally considered by the Sunset Review Committee. Board members concurred.

- ❖ Jeff Ferro motioned for staff to make the identified edits (typographical error and include all legislative proposals in Issue #14) and submit the responses to the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee.
- ❖ Laura Hayth seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote**

Denise Miller	Aye
Jeff Ferro	Aye
Sharon Pavlovich	Aye
Laura Hayth	Aye
Teresa Davies	Aye
Beata Morcos	Aye

5. Adjournment.

At 11:44 a.m. the meeting adjourned.