

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Athletic Trainers
September 22, 2020
Zoom Meeting**

Members Present

Ciara Taylor
Danielle Platt
Wes Richardson
Lydia Thurston
Mike Jones
Chris King
Clarke Jackson
Robert Agee, MD
James Robinson, MD
Eric Law, MD

Members Absent

Others Present

Jim Davis, Assistant AG
Leah Taylor, Executive Secretary

Chairman Jones called the special meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Declaring a quorum present, he welcomed those present. He explained the meeting was being held utilizing Zoom due to COVID-19 precautions and restrictions and the allowances made by Governor Ivey's state of emergency declarations.

Chairman Jones then called for consideration of the minutes of the Jul 14, 2020, meeting contained in the meeting folder and called for discussion or corrections. (Attachment 1) ***A motion was made by Dr. James Robinson to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2020, meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Dr. Robert Agee and was unanimously approved.***

Chairman Jones called on Leah Taylor to present the Financial Report. (Attachment 2) ***A motion was made by Chris King and seconded by Dr. Robert Agee to accept the Financial Report as submitted. Motion approved unanimously.***

Chairman Jones explained that he brought the Board together in the special called meeting for the purpose of discussing the current situation of athletic trainers having difficulty locating Emergency Cardiac Care courses meeting the Board's standard (Attachment 3) and required for renewing their licenses. He further reported that the Board Office had received several calls from different parts of the State reporting this situation and seeking options. In view of this new situation, which is a result of COVID-related risks and concerns, Chairman

Jones invited comments from the Board Members. Discussion ensued, and resulted in the consensus that the Board should make an exception for the current license renewal period beginning October 15, 2020, by allowing online certification courses and waiving any in-person and hands-on skills demonstration requirements. ***Chris King made the motion that the Board reconsider it's position on making accommodations related to Emergency Cardiac Care requirements for this year's renewal period as stated at the July 14, 2020, Board Meeting due to continuing COVID-related risks and complications. Wes Richardson provided the second to the motion, and it carried unanimously.***

Discussion continued, and different options were considered for the upcoming license renewal period. ***A motion was made by Chris King and seconded by Dr. Eric Law to amend the Board's Emergency Cardiac Care standard for the renewal period beginning October 15, 2020, by allowing any completely online certification course and waiving the requirement for any type of hands-on and/or mannequin-assisted skills demonstrations. This motion will only affect the license renewal process for 2021 because of the current environment created by COVID-19. The motion was approved unanimously.***

Chairman Jones then presented the names of 57 new licensees for license confirmation/ratification, a list of whom is attached hereto and made a part hereof. (Attachment 4) ***Danielle Platt moved that the Board ratify the licenses of all 57 licensees presented. Dr. Robert Agee provided the second to the motion, and it carried unanimously.***

Chairman Jones called for any other business. There being none, he reported that the next Board Meeting is scheduled for 6:30 PM on Tuesday, December 8, 2020, unless a meeting has to be called before that date. ***Dr. Robert Agee moved that the meeting be adjourned, with the second being provided Chris King. The motion carried unanimously.*** The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Jones, Chairman

Ciara Taylor, Secretary