

RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

MINUTES OF MEETING

September 12, 2012

OPEN SESSION

The Open Session of the Board of Occupational Therapy was called to order at 3:00 pm on the above date in Room 104, Cannon Building, Department of Health, Three Capitol Hill, Providence, Rhode Island, pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Open Meeting Law, so called, and other applicable provisions of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, as amended. A quorum was established.

Board members in attendance: Board members not in attendance:

Kim Gilbert, Chair Eugene Leco

Janet Rivard Michaud

William Buonanno, MD Staff members in attendance:

J. Michel Martineau

Board members review and discuss a communication from Ms. Lisa Campo seeking the board's position on Telehealth, as well as other electronic means of communicating for RI. Members compliment the administrator for his initial response to Ms. Campo indicating the standard requirement is in order to practice OT in RI you must have a

RI OT license. Board members discuss the matter and direct the administrator to advise Ms. Campo that the matter of Telehealth is being discussed and researched by the board.

The minutes of the open session held on May 9, 2012 were presented.

On motion by Janet Rivard Michaud, seconded by Dr. Buonanno, a motion was made to accept the minutes; the vote to pass was unanimous.

Board members again express interest in soliciting volunteers to fill the OT vacancy on the board. The administrator advises that Department has established a process that involves conducting a search and board members and the public are advised to access the HEALTH website link (please see below) established to facilitate communications with an Assistant to the Director on this matter.

<http://www.health.ri.gov/partners/licensingboards/index.php>

Adjournment

Having no further business, on motion of Kim Gilbert, seconded by Janet Rivard Michaud, it was unanimously voted to adjourn. The Open Session of the meeting was adjourned at 3:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Michel Martineau

Administrator, Health Professions