MINUTES OF THE MEETING FOR THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS (NSBAT)

DATE: **January 28, 2016**

LOCATIONS:

University of Nevada Reno
University of Nevada Las Vegas
1664 N. Virginia Street
4505 S. Maryland Parkway
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Las Vegas, Nevada 89154

1. Meeting called to order by Stacey Whittaker, Executive Secretary at 9:00 a.m.

Board Members Present: Tiffney Touton, Jeremy Haas, Tedd Girouard, Eathan O'Bryant, Frank Sakelarios.

Staff Present: Stacey Whittaker, Executive Secretary; Brett Kandt, Chief Deputy Attorney General.

- **2. Public Comments.** No members of the public present at this time.
- 3. Introduction of newly appointed Board Members and update on Board Member appointments. (Discussion only) Stacey Whittaker welcomes Tedd Girouard and Frank Sakelarios to the Board and thanks them for their willingness to serve. Stacey also reviews the current terms of each Board Member. There are no further questions or comments.
- **4. Election of Chairperson for the Nevada State Board of Athletic Trainers. (For possible action)** Eathan O'Bryant nominates Tiffney Touton for the position of Board Chair. Jeremy Haas seconds the motion. Motion passes unanimously.
- **5. Review and approve Board meeting minutes of November 12, 2015. (For possible action)** Tiffney Touton motions to approve the November 12, 2015 meeting minutes as written. Frank Sakelarios seconds the motion. Motion passes unanimously.
- **6. Update on disciplinary action reports and investigations of unlicensed activity.** (For possible **action**) Stacey Whittaker reports to the Board that there were no disciplinary actions taken by the Board during the 4th quarter, 2015 and that 4 (four) licenses were issued or restored. There are now over 200 Licensed Athletic Trainers in Nevada. There are no further questions or comments.
- 7. Review and discuss update on proposed language from the Subcommittee on Pharmaceuticals. (For possible action) Tiffney Touton informs the Board that the Subcommittee will be meeting on February 4, 2016 to review the proposed language changes and will have a report back to the Board at the next scheduled meeting. There are no further questions or comments.
- 8. Review and discuss Nevada Revised Statutes Chapter 640B and Nevada Administrative Code of Chapter 640B for proposed changes in the 2017 Legislative Session. (For possible action) The Board discusses the current NRS and NAC and does not see any changes that need to take place now. The results of the Subcommittee meeting next week will determine if any language changes will be proposed regarding Athletic Trainers and Pharmaceuticals. The Board discusses the importance of having Athletic Trainers at all Nevada High Schools but realizes this is not something they can mandate in the near future. The biggest obstacle is the fiscal and logistical aspects of having Athletic Trainers work at the rural area High Schools. The Board further discusses how the schools can justify putting the athletes at risk without having an Athletic Trainer on site. The concern also lies with being able to supply the Athletic Trainers should this requirement be mandated down the road. The Board will look into other

State's statutes to see if they are mandating Athletic Trainers at the secondary schools and place this item on the Board's next meeting agenda for further discussion. There are no further questions or comments.

- **9.** Review and discuss the Board's current license application process to include procedures for background checks. (For possible action) The Board continues their discussion regarding issuing the licenses before the background results are received. Chief Deputy Attorney General, Brett Kandt advises the board that they do not have the statutory authority to do this and unless they want to add a Provisional License to their language, he advises against this. His reason being is that the Boards are established to protect the public and issuing a license before having this information could be detrimental. The Board is not in favor of adding a Provisional License at this time and is understanding of the new process. Stacey Whittaker has emailed some of the larger employers of Athletic Trainers in Nevada giving them the heads up that this is now the policy and to prepare accordingly. There are no further questions or comments.
- 10. Review and discuss financial status of the Board and all matters relating thereto. (For possible action) Stacey asks if there are any questions regarding the financial statements that were sent out, there are none. Tiffney Touton motions to approve the financial statements. Jeremy Haas seconds the motion. Motion passes unanimously.
- 11. Board Member Training provided by the Attorney General's Office. (Discussion only) Chief Deputy Attorney General, Brett Kandt provides the Board with a brief training session on subjects such as the Open Meeting Law, Public Records Law, Ethics Commission, Administrative Procedures, Due Process and Board Member responsibilities. There are no further questions or comments.
- 12. Future agenda items. (For possible action)
 - A. Review and approve meeting minutes of 1/28/2016.
 - B. Update on disciplinary action reports and investigations of unlicensed activity.
 - C. Review and discuss financial status of the Board.
 - D. Review and discuss update on proposed language from the Subcommittee on Pharmaceuticals.
 - E. Review and discuss mandating the presence of Athletic Trainers at all Nevada High Schools and information gathered pertaining to such.
- **13. Discussion, possible decision on date of next board meeting. (For possible action)** The next board meeting is scheduled for Friday March 18th, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.
- **14. Public Comments.** There are no members of the public present at this time.
- **15. Meeting adjournment.** (**For possible action**) Tiffney Touton motions to adjourn the meeting of the Nevada State Board of Athletic Trainers at 10:10 a.m., Tedd Girouard seconds the motion. Motion passes unanimously, 5-0.