

**APPROVED**  
**BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY**  
**LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

The Virginia Board of Physical Therapy Legislative/Regulatory Committee met on Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at the Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, 2nd Floor, Board Room #4, Henrico, Virginia.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Melissa Wolff-Burke, PT, EdD, Chair  
Sarah Schmidt, PTA, MPA  
Tracey Adler, PT, DPT  
Steve Lam, Citizen Member

**DHP STAFF PRESENT:**

Missy Currier, Deputy Executive Director  
Lynne Helmick, Deputy Executive Director  
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Policy Analyst

**QUORUM:**

With 4 Committee members present, a quorum was established.

**GUEST PRESENT VIA TELEPHONE**

Heidi Herbst Paakkonen, MPA, Continuing Competence Product Manager, Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT)

**CALLED TO ORDER**

The committee meeting was called to order at 10:53 a.m. to discuss replacement of the Practice Review Tool (PRT) with oPTion in regulations.

**DISCUSSION**

Melissa Wolff-Burke, Chair reminded the Committee that during the November 15, 2016 Board meeting, it was announced that PRT was being retired and being replaced by oPTion. Therefore, since PRT was referenced in several sections of the regulations, the decision was made to have the Legislative/Regulatory Committee conduct a more thorough review of oPTion to include assessing the four (4) different levels of performance that a licensee can achieve, and whether or not the Board should consider it as credit for continuing competence.

Ms. Currier stated that the NOIRA to consider oPTion as a replacement for PRT had received no comments as of the date of this meeting and that the comment period would end on February 22, 2017.

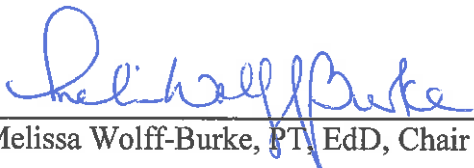
The Committee carefully considered the 4 levels of performance and sought clarification to several questions from Ms. Herbst Paakkonen from FSBPT.

### RECOMMENDATION

Upon a motion by Tracey Adler, and properly seconded by Sarah Schmidt, the Committee agreed to recommend oPTion for continuing competence and drafted suggested language to share with the full Board during the next meeting.

### ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

  
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Melissa Wolff-Burke, PT, EdD, Chair

  
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