



Physical Therapy Compact Commission Special Meeting Agenda

June 27, 2023

2:30 p.m. ET

[Virtual Meeting](#)

Presiding Officer: Kathy Arney, Chair

I. Call to Order

The special meeting of the Physical Therapy Compact Commission will come to order at 2:30 PM ET, June 27, 2023.

II. Roll Call of Delegates – Charlotte Martin, Secretary/Treasurer

The Secretary/Treasurer will call the roll of delegates.

III. Appointment of the Minutes Approval Committee

IV. Review and Adopt Rules Amendments (Action Required)

V. Review and Adopt Bylaws Amendments (Action Required)

VI. Announcements

VII. Adjournment

Chair Kathy Arney adjourned the meeting at --:-- PM ET on June 27, 2023.

2023 Draft Amendments to PT Compact Rules Recommended by the Executive Board

Please note that additions are indicated by red underlined text. Deletions are indicated by ~~red strikethrough~~ text. Black text is existing unchanged text.

1) Rule 1.1 – Definitions

Reason: To add a definition of “board administrator”.

Proposed Amendment:

“Board administrator” means an individual serving as administrative staff to a member state’s physical therapy licensing board.

2) Rule 4.2 – U.S. Code Citation for Active Duty Military

Reason: To make a technical correction to the citation for “active duty military” in Section 2 of the model statute.

Proposed Amendment:

Add new Rule 4.2 to Chapter 4

Rule 4.2 – U.S. Code Citation for Active Duty Military

The reference in to 10 U.S.C Section 1209 and 1211 contained in Section 2, paragraph 1 of the model statute should correctly be 10 U.S.C. Chapter 1209 and 1211. Any references in the model statute to 10 U.S.C. Section 1209 and 1211 should be interpreted as 10 U.S.C. Chapter 1209 and 1211.

2023 Draft Amendments to PT Compact Commission Bylaws Recommended by the Executive Board

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1) Amend Article VI, Section 4 to change the terms of office from two years to three years.

Section 4. Election and Succession of the Executive Board.

- A. Members of the Executive Board will be elected for a term of three (3) ~~two (2)~~ years or until their successors are elected and assume office.
- B. Members of the Executive Board cannot serve more than two consecutive full terms in the same office.
- ~~C. Elections for the Chair, Secretary/Treasurer, and 2 At Large Member positions shall occur at the annual meeting in odd-numbered years.~~
- ~~D. Elections for the Vice Chair and 2 At Large Member positions shall occur at the annual meeting in even-numbered years. The individuals elected to these positions at the first annual meeting in November 2017 shall serve until the annual meeting in November 2018.~~
- E. Members of the Executive Board will assume office at the close of the annual meeting at which the individuals are elected.
- F. Members of the Executive Board so elected shall serve without compensation or remuneration, except as provided by the Compact.
- G. In the case of a tie vote, the Chair will toss a coin to decide which candidate will go forward into the next round of elections or to decide which candidate is the winner of the election. Heads and tails will be assigned alphabetically by last name (for example, candidate Baird would be assigned “heads” and candidate Thorton would be assigned “tails.”

Position	Current Term End	Term End After Amendment	Next Year of Election to Implement Staggering of Terms
Chair	2023	2024	2027
Vice Chair	2024	2025	2028
Secretary/Treasurer	2023	2024	2026
Member-at-Large	2023	2024	2026
Member-at-Large	2023	2024	2027
Member-at-Large	2024	2025	2028
Member-at-Large	2024	2025	2028

This table illustrates how the positions will be staggered for the first time the position is up for election after the adoption of this amendment.

2) Delete Article VI, Section 5 to eliminate need for contingency elections.

Section 5. Vacancies in Office.

- A. Chair

As Recommended by the Executive Board on 5/9/2023

The Vice Chair will fill a vacancy occurring in the office of Chair for the remainder of the unexpired term.

B. Vice Chair or Secretary/Treasurer

A vacancy occurring in the position of Vice Chair or Secretary/Treasurer between meetings of the Commission may be filled by appointment by the Executive Board. The appointee will serve for the remainder of the unexpired term.

C. At Large Members

A vacancy occurring in the position of At Large Member between meetings of the Commission may be filled by appointment by the Executive Board. The appointee will serve for the remainder of the unexpired term.

~~**D. Vacancy Due to Election**~~

~~If a vacancy occurs on the Executive Board as a result of an election, a second election shall be required. All candidates who were slated for any position on the Executive Board and were not elected in the first election will be slated in the second election unless they have indicated otherwise.~~

3) Amend Article VI, Section 6 to add unexcused absences as a rationale to remove a member of the Executive Board of Cause.

Section 6. Removal from Office.

A. Member of the Executive Board

1. The Executive Board may, by a vote of two-thirds (2/3rds) of the membership of the Executive Board, decide that a member of the Executive Board: has a Conflict of Interest; has become incapacitated and unable to fulfill their duties; **has three unexcused absences in a rolling twelve-month period;** or has engaged in conduct constituting Cause. In that event, the Executive Board member will be removed or, in the case of Conflict of Interest, resolve the Conflict of Interest to the satisfaction of the Executive Board. The affected Executive Board member will not vote on, and may be excluded from the discussion of, the issues. The decision of the Executive Board is final.
2. A member of the Executive Board may be removed from office for Cause by a two-thirds (2/3rds) vote of the Delegates voting at any meeting of the Commission. Cause is defined as conduct that is or could be detrimental to the good name of the organization, potentially or actually disturbs its wellbeing or potentially or actually hampers its work.
3. The removal of a member of the Executive Board in accordance with this section of the Bylaws does not impact that individual's status as the Delegate from the Member State or as the non-voting, ex officio member appointed by one of the organizations identified in Section 7.D.1.b. & c. of the Compact.

B. Member State Delegate

The Delegate from a Member State may be removed or suspended from office as provided by the law in that Member State.

4) Amend Article VI, Section 10.E to address possibility of virtual meetings.

E. Seating

1. ~~When meeting in person, all~~**All** voting Delegates, the individuals appointed to represent the two organizations identified in Section 7.D.1.b. & c. of the Compact, and appropriate Commission staff shall be seated together in a separate designated area.
2. All other attendees will be seated outside of the designated area.

5) Amend Article VII to address changes to committees.

Section 1. Standing Committees of the Commission.

The Commission may establish Standing Committees as deemed necessary to carry on the work of the Commission. The specific functions of any standing committees established by the Commission are described in the Policies.

Membership of Standing Committees of the Commission shall be appointed by the Commission for terms outlined in the Policies or Bylaws. The Commission may appoint individuals other than the Member State's Delegate to serve on Standing Committees of the Commission.

A. Elections Committee.

The Elections Committee will consist of two Delegates, who are not on the Executive Board or slated for election. Committee member s will serve two-year terms ~~will expire at the close of the following year's annual Commission meeting.~~

Section 2. Standing Committees of the Executive Board.

The Executive Board may establish Standing Committees from time to time as the Executive Board deems necessary to carry on the work of the Executive Board. The specific functions of any standing committees established by the Executive Board are described in the Policies.

Membership of Standing Committees of the Executive Board shall be appointed by the Executive Board for terms outlined in the Policies or Bylaws. The Executive Board may appoint individuals other than the Member State's Delegate to serve on Standing Committees of the Executive Board.

A. Finance Committee

The Committee will consist of at least three members, who will serve two-year terms. The Secretary/Treasurer shall serve as Chair of the Committee. ~~Committee member terms will expire at the close of the following year's annual Commission meeting.~~

B. Rules and Bylaws Committee

The Committee will consist of at least three members, who will serve two-year terms. ~~The Vice Chair shall serve as Chair of the Committee. Committee member terms will expire at the close of the following year's annual Commission meeting.~~

C. Compliance Committee

The Committee will consist of at least three members, who will serve two-year terms. The Committee will have at least one representative from a jurisdiction with an autonomous licensing board and at least one representative from a jurisdiction with a system that is run by an agency director, commission or council, with or without the assistance of a board and if the board does exist, it is strictly advisory. ~~A member of the Executive Board will serve as Chair of the Committee. Committee member terms will expire at the close of the following year's annual Commission meeting.~~