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61.5-01-01-01. Organization of the North Dakota board of physical therapy.

1. **History.** The state examining committee for physical therapists was created in 1959 to assist the state board of medical examiners in the examination and registration of physical therapists in North Dakota. While it operated as a separate committee, it was by law an advisory committee to the state board of medical examiners. The forty-sixth legislative assembly in 1979 revamped most of North Dakota Century Code chapter 43-26 on physical therapists, and in the process made the committee a separate entity with complete jurisdiction over the examination and registration of physical therapists. In 1989, the legislative assembly allowed physical therapists to practice without a physician referral and in 2005 the fifty-ninth legislative assembly completely revised the physical therapy practice act and renamed the committee the North Dakota board of physical therapy.
2. **Meetings.** Any board member who fails to attend two consecutive annual meetings shall have been deemed to have resigned unless the member has reasons satisfactory to the board for being unable to attend.
3. **Compensation.** Board members shall receive expenses from board funds for each day or a portion thereof spent in board work as provided for other state officers in North Dakota Century Code chapter 44-08.
4. **Executive officer.** The board shall designate an executive officer and shall compensate any person it hires to administer the board's duties.

Contact information is available on the North Dakota board of physical therapy website at www.ndbpt.org.

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