# SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION

South Carolina Board of Physical Therapy Examiners
Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building
110 Centerview Drive, Room 108
Columbia SC 29211

Thursday, January 10, 2019

#### **Board Members Present**

Mary Addison Blackstone, P.T., Chair Lori McMillan, P.T., Vice-Chair Mollie Barrow, P.T., Member Hunter Bowie, P.T., Member Anna M. Dilts, P.T., Member Greg Forlini, P.T., Member Matthew Judd Warren, P.T.A., Member Rachel Wiggins, P.T., Member

# Staff Present

Mack Williams, Board Administrator Adam Russell, Advice Counsel Emily Butzer, Board Assistant

Public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the SC Board of Physical Therapy Examiners, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building 110 Centerview Drive, Room 108 Columbia, SC 29211 and provided to all requesting persons, organizations, and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

## Call to Order

Ms. Blackstone, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. The meeting was held in Room 108 located in the Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building at 110 Centerview Drive, in Columbia, South Carolina 29211.

#### Approval of the Agenda:

Motion: In open session, Ms. Barrow made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded and approved.

<u>Comments from Director Farr</u>: Director Farr introduced herself to the Board and stated she welcomed any questions or concerns, ideas or thoughts they may have and thanked the members for their service on the board.

### **Approval of the Minutes:**

Motion: In open session, Mr. Bowie made a motion to approve the September 5, 2018, special called meeting minutes - no corrections noted. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Forlini made a motion to approve the November 8, 2018, meeting minutes - no corrections noted. The motion was seconded and approved.

### New Business

Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE/IRC) Report: Mr. Love, Office of Investigations, presented the statistical report to the Board.

The Board accepted the statistical report as information.

# **IRC Recommendations**

Mr. Love presented the IRC report to the Board. There are four (4) cases for approval; Case 2017-14 and 2018-3 recommended as formal complaints, Case 2018-4 recommended for dismissal, and Case 2018-5 recommended for letter of caution.

In open session, Mr. Bowie made a motion to accept the recommendations of the IRC. The motion was seconded and approved.

Office of General Council (ODC) Report: Mr. Williams, Board Administrator, presented the ODC Report, four (4) open cases, two (2) pending actions, one (1) pending a consent agreement for an MOA, and one (1) pending a board hearing.

The Board accepted the ODC report as information.

**Finance Report:** Mr. Williams, Board Administrator, presented the financial report.

Renewals: Mr. Williams, Board Administrator, informed the board of the current renewal status.

Ethics Commission: Mr. Williams, Board Administrator, reminded the Board to file with Ethics Commission by the deadline of March 30, 2019.

#### **Application Hearing:**

## Renewal Applications

**Tamara Marchell McDaniel:** The purpose of this hearing was to determine whether Ms. McDaniel's license should be renewed to practice as a physical therapist assistant in South Carolina. Ms. McDaniel made a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Mr. Warren made a motion to close the proceedings to protect personal health information. The motion was seconded and approved.

<u>Motion</u>: In closed session, Ms. Dilts made a motion to go into executive session for legal counsel. The motion was seconded and approved.

Executive Session: No votes were taken during executive session. [10:26 a.m.—10:46 a.m.]

**Motion:** In closed session, Ms. Barrow made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded and approved.

<u>Motion</u>: In closed session, Ms. McMillan made a motion to renew Ms. McDaniel's license to practice as a physical therapist assistant with the conditions set forth by the Board. The motion was seconded and approved.

<u>Motion</u>: In closed session, Ms. McMillan made a motion to come out of closed session. The motion was seconded and approved.

Elizabeth Ryan Faircloth: The purpose of this hearing was to determine whether Ms. Faircloth's license should be renewed to practice as a physical therapist in South Carolina. Ms. Faircloth made a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Mr. Warren made a motion to close the proceedings to protect personal health information. The motion was seconded and approved.

<u>Motion</u>: In closed session, Ms. McMillan made a motion to go into executive session for legal counsel. The motion was seconded and approved.

**Executive Session:** No votes were taken during executive session. [11:01 a.m.—11:40 a.m.]

<u>Motion</u>: In closed session, Mr. Warren made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In closed session, Ms. Dilts made a motion to renew Ms. Faircloth's license to practice as a physical therapist with the conditions set forth by the Board. The motion was seconded and approved.

<u>Motion</u>: In closed session, Mr. Bowie made a motion to come out of closed session. The motion was seconded and approved.

Nathan Lee Beaulieu: The purpose of this hearing was to determine whether Mr. Beaulieu's license should be renewed to practice as a physical therapist assistant in South Carolina. Mr. Beaulieu made a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Barrow made a motion to close the proceedings to protect personal health information. The motion was seconded and approved.

<u>Motion</u>: In closed session, Ms. Dilts made a motion to go into executive session for legal counsel. The motion was seconded and approved.

Executive Session: No votes were taken during executive session. [12:06 p.m.—12:30 p.m.]

<u>Motion</u>: In closed session, Mr. Bowie made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In closed session, Ms. McMillan made a motion to renew Mr. Beaulieu's license to practice as a

physical therapist assistant with the conditions set forth by the Board. The motion was seconded and approved.

<u>Motion</u>: In closed session, Ms. Wiggins made a motion to come out of closed session. The motion was seconded and approved.

Brenden Michael Blaschke: The purpose of this hearing was to determine whether Mr. Blaschke's license should be renewed to practice as a physical therapist in South Carolina. Mr. Blaschke made a personal appearance before the Board and was represented by Saunders Bridges, Esq.

Motion: In open session, Ms. McMillan made a motion to renew Mr. Blaschke's license to practice as a physical therapist in South Carolina. The motion was seconded and approved.

### **Discussion Topics:**

## a. Update on Proposed Regulations:

Mr. Russell, Esq., updated the Board on proposed legislation.

## b. Update on Disciplinary Guidelines:

Mr. Warren updated the Board on the disciplinary guidelines. The report was accepted as information.

# c. Update on PT Compact:

Mr. Russell, Esq., updated on the Board on the PT Compact and noted eight (8) states are issuing privileges as of January 2, 2019.

# d. Review 40-45-250 (F):

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Barrow made a motion to go into executive session for legal counsel. The motion was seconded and approved.

Executive Session: No votes were taken during executive session. [12:58 p.m.—1:14 p.m.]

Motion: In open session, Ms. Barrow made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded and approved.

The board determined an Inactive status would be effective at the beginning of the new license period.

## e. Physical Therapists and Prothrombin Time (PT/INR) Blood Tests:

The board determined that it is not within the scope of practice for a Physical Therapist to conduct the PT/INR Blood Test.

### f. 2019 Regulatory Training:

Motion: In open session, Ms. Dilts made a motion to approve Mr. Williams, Board Administrator, and Mr. Russell, Esq., to attend the Regulatory Training. The motion was seconded and approved.

## g. 2109 Annual Meeting:

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Dilts made a motion to appoint Ms. McMillan, as the delegate, and Ms. Blackstone, as the alternate delegate, for FSBPT annual meeting. The motion was seconded and approved.

### h. 2019 LIF Meeting:

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Wiggins made a motion to approve Ms. McMillan and Mr. Williams, Board Administrator, to attend the LIF Meeting, July 13-14, 2019, in Alexandria, VA. The motion was seconded and approved.

## i. Delegate Appointment for PT Compact:

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Dilts made a motion to appoint Mr. Warren, as the delegate for a two (2) year term, for PT Compact. The motion was seconded and approved.

# j. Election of 2019 Board Officers:

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<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Barrow made a motion to nominate Ms. Blackstone, as Board Chair, and Ms. McMillan, as the Board Vice-Chair, for 2019. The motion was seconded and approved.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: In open session, Ms. McMillan made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and approved.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:56 p.m.