

**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 12, 2017**

**Board Members Present**

Roy Christopher Junkins, P.T.A, Chair  
Mary Addison Blackstone, 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  
Lori Winkles, P.T., Member  
Dr. Anil Yallapragada, M.D., Member  
Texas T. Smith, Public Member

**Absent Member**

Matthew Judd Warren, P.T.A., Member  
Rachel Wiggins, P.T., Member

**Staff Present**

Veronica Reynolds, Board Administrator  
Adam Russell, Advice Counsel  
Shaun Strother, 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**

Mr. Junkins, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:04 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, Mr. Forlini made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded and approved.

### **Approval/Disapproval of Absent Members:**

**Motion:** In open session, Ms. Blackstone made a motion to excuse Ms. Wiggins and Mr. Warren absence. The motion was seconded and approved.

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

**Motion:** In open session, Ms. Blackstone made a motion to approve the October 13, 2016 meeting minutes - no corrections noted. The motion was seconded and approved.

### **New Business**

**Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE) Report:** Mr. Love, Chief Investigator of Office of Investigations and Enforcement presented two (2) reports. January 1, 2016 to November 29, 2016 there were three (3) active cases, three (3) do not open cases, and four (4) pending board action and January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015 there were one active case, thirteen (13) cases administratively closed, two (2) do not open and one pending board action. He stated that he had zero dismissals and letter of cautions and five (5) formal complaints to present to the Board.

### **IRC Recommendations**

**Case #:**

- 2015-3
- 2016-3
- 2016-4
- 2016-5
- 2016-7

**Motion:** In open session, Ms. Dilts made a motion to approve the IRC report as formal complaints. The motion was seconded and approved.

The Board reviewed the statistical report as information.

**Office of General Council (ODC) Report:** Ms. Reynolds, Board Administrator presented the Board with the ODC report to be reviewed as information only.

The Board reviewed the statistical report as information.

**Finance Report:** Ms. Reynolds, Board Administrator presented the financial report.

**Board Updates -2016 Renewals:** Ms. Reynolds, Board Administrator addressed the Board regarding the 2016 Renewal. She also reminded the Board members to file their Economic Interest Statement with the Ethics Commission prior to the deadline of March 30, 2017.

## **Application Hearings:**

### **Initial Applications**

**Luther Barnett:** The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Mr. Barnett should be granted a physical therapy license in South Carolina. Mr. Barnett made a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel.

**Motion:** In open session, Ms. Blackstone made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal advice from counsel regarding Mr. Barnett case. The motion was seconded and approved.

**Executive Session:** No votes were taken during executive session. [10:16 a.m. – 10:36 a.m.]

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

**Motion:** In open session, Ms. Blackstone made a motion that Mr. Barnett be granted a license to practice physical therapy in South Carolina. The motions was seconded and approved.

**Donna DeMarco:** The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Ms. DeMarco should be granted a physical therapy license in South Carolina. Ms. DeMarco made a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel.

**Motion:** In open session, Mr. Bowie made a motion that Ms. DeMarco be granted a license to practice physical therapy in South Carolina. The motions was seconded and approved.

**Bridget Jacobs-Holmes:** The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Ms. Jacobs-Holmes should be granted a physical therapy license in South Carolina. Ms. Jacobs-Holmes made a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel.

**Motion:** In open session, Ms. Winkles made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal advice from counsel regarding Ms. Jacobs-Holmes case. The motion was seconded and approved.

**Executive Session:** No votes were taken during executive session. [11:16 a.m. – 11:28 a.m.]

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

**Motion:** In open session, Ms. Barrow made a motion that Ms. Jacobs-Holmes be granted a license to practice physical therapy in South Carolina. The motions was seconded and approved.

**Angela Kessen:** The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Ms. Kessen should be granted a physical therapy license in South Carolina. Ms. Kessen did not make a personal appearance before the Board.

**Motion:** In open session, Ms. Blackstone made a motion to defer this case until such a time Ms. Kessen can appear before the Board. The motion was seconded and approved.

**Linda Lester:** The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Ms. Lester should be granted reinstatement of a physical therapy assistant license in South Carolina. Ms. Lester made a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel.

**Motion:** In open session, Dr. Yallapragada made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal advice from counsel regarding Ms. Lester case. The motion was seconded and approved.

**Executive Session:** No votes were taken during executive session. [11:37 a.m. – 11:42 a.m.]

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

**Motion:** In open session, Ms. Barrow made a motion that Ms. Lester be granted a provisional license to practice as a physical therapy assistant in South Carolina with conditions. The motions was seconded and approved.

**Amy Seymour:** The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Ms. Seymour should be granted reinstatement of a physical therapy assistant license in South Carolina. Ms. Seymour made a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel.

**Motion:** In open session, Ms. Winkles made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal advice from counsel regarding Ms. Seymour case. The motion was seconded and approved.

**Executive Session:** No votes were taken during executive session. [11:53 a.m. – 11:58 a.m.]

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

**Motion:** In open session, Ms. Barrow made a motion that Ms. Seymour be granted reinstatement of license to practice physical therapy in South Carolina. The motions was seconded and approved.

**Joseph Smith:** The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Mr. Smith should be granted a physical therapy license in South Carolina. Mr. Smith made a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel.

**Motion:** In open session, Ms. Winkles made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal advice from counsel regarding Mr. Smith case. The motion was seconded and approved.

**Executive Session:** No votes were taken during executive session. [12:18 p.m. – 12:55 p.m.]

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

**Motion:** In open session, Ms. Dilts made a motion that Mr. Smith be granted a license to practice physical therapy in South Carolina with conditions. The motions was seconded and approved.

**Discussion Topics:**

**a. Executive Session to Provide Litigation Update**

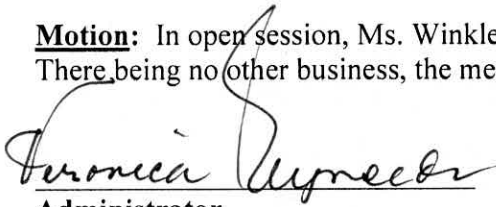
**A motion was made to go into executive session to discuss the litigation update.**

**Executive Session:** No votes were taken during executive session. [12:56 p.m. – 2:01 p.m.]

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** In open session, Ms. Winkles made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and approved. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:01 p.m..

  
Administrator

04/13/2017  
Date