

South Carolina Board of Physical Therapy Examiners
Quarterly Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 13, 2005 10:00 A.M.
Synergy Business Park, Kingtree Building
110 Centerview Drive, Room 111
Columbia, SC 29211

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Cindy Ellis Witherspoon, P.T., Chairperson
James Ryan Jr., P.T.A., Vice Chair
Dargin Ervin, P.T., Member
Diane Funderburk P.T., Member
Eric A. Schmidt, P.T., Member
Marilyn Swegert, P.T., Member
Roy Christopher Junkins, P.T.A., Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Veronica Reynolds, Administrator
Sharon Dantzler, Advice Counsel
Rick Wilson, Advice Counsel
Tanya King, Board Assistant

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Dale Reeves, Public Member (unexcused absence)

Public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the Board of Physical Therapy Examiners office, lobby of the Kingtree Building, 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. A quorum was present at all times.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Witherspoon, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. The meeting was held in Room 111, Kingtree Bldg., 110 Centerview Dr., Columbia, South Carolina.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The January 13, 2005 Quarterly Meeting Agenda was presented for review and approval.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Witherspoon made a motion to re-order the agenda. The motion was seconded and approved.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were presented for review and approval.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Ryan made a motion to accept the minutes for October 14, 2004. The motion was seconded and approved.

4. **DISCIPLINARY REPORT**

There were no disciplinary cases to report.

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

Reconsideration of Prior Consent Order

John Thomas

Mr. Thomas made an appearance before the Board.

Mr. Ervin rescued himself from the case.

Motion: Ms. Funderburk made a motion made the Board go into Executive Session to obtain legal advice, in compliance with Section 30-4-70 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Schmidt made a motion all restrictions on the license be lifted such that the respondent may continue the unrestricted practice of Physical Therapy without Further order of the Board. The motion was seconded and approved.

Benjamin Strickland

Mr. Strickland made a personal appearance before the Board.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Swegert made a motion to lift any restrictions on the license. The motion was approved and seconded.

Application Hearing

Tamara Garrison

Ms. Garrison made an appearance before the Board.

Motion. Ms. Funderburk made a motion to go into Executive Session.

Chris Junkins recused himself.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Ervin made a motion Ms. Garrison be allowed to take the national exam and be granted a license to practice as a physical therapy assistant if she passes the exam with conditions. The motion was seconded and approved.

Robin Powell

Ms. Powell made a personal appearance before the Board.

Chris Junkins recused himself.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Ervin made a motion Ms. Powell be allowed to take the national exam and be granted a license to practice as a physical therapy assistant if she passes. The motion was seconded and approved.

Russell Dela Pena

Mr. Dela Pena did not make an appearance.

Ms. Funderburk recused herself.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Ervin made a motion to approve the application for licensure with non- disciplinary conditions. The motion was seconded and approved.

6. CONTINUED BUSINESS

1. Administrator's Report

Ms. Reynolds stated the renewal period ended December 31, 2004 and staff is currently processing late renewals. Ms. Reynolds provided information to the Board from the State Ethics Commission. Ms Reynolds stated the forms should be completed and filed with taxes on or before April 15, 2005.

2. Application on Leigh Woodman

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Ms. Woodman did not make a personal appearance.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Schmidt made a motion that Ms. Woodman be granted a license. The motion was seconded and approved.

4. Update on Sloan Vs S.C. Board of Physical Therapy Examiners Case

Ms. Witherspoon stated the Board had not received a ruling from the Judge. The Judge had indicated he would have a written decision in place by December 1, 2004.

5. PT Random Audits

The Board members will conduct a random audit for a second time and request 10 % of the licensees is selected.

9. ADJORNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:22 pm.

Next Meeting: April 14, 2005, Kingstree Building, Room 111

Administrator

Date