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Board of Allied Health Professions Public Meeting Minutes March 23, 2023

Board Members Present:

Deborah Slater, Secretary, OT Stacy Potvin, PTA Melanie Glynn, OTA (left meeting at 10:44 a.m.) Diane Smith, OT Catherine Lane, PT Randy Jean, PT Reena Patel, AT

Staff Members Present:

Brian Bialas, Executive Director Sheila York, Board Counsel Joshua Boeh-Ocansey, Board Counsel Lauren McShane, Investigator Supervisor

All board members and staff appeared by videoconference.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m.

Board Business

- **Roll Call Vote for Attendance:** Mr. Bialas called the roll of board members: Deborah Slater, Stacy Potvin, Melanie Glynn, Diane Smith, Catherine Lane, Randy Jean, and Reena Patel all present by videoconference.
- Public Meeting Minutes of February 23, 2023: After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Jean, seconded by Ms. Slater, to approve the Public Meeting Minutes of February 23, 2023. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

- Executive Session Minutes of February 23, 2023: After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Potvin, seconded by Ms. Smith, to approve the Executive Session Minutes of February 23, 2023. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.
- 2022 Federation of State Board of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) Delegate Selections and Model Practice Act Workshop: The Board considered the election of a Voting Delegate, Alternate Delegate, and Administrator for upcoming FSBPT meetings, including the Model Practice Act Workshop. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Potvin, seconded by Ms. Slater, to elect the following people:

Catherine Lane: Voting Delegate
Reena Patel: Alternate Delegate
Brian Bialas: Administrator

The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Discussion

• Continuing Education (CE) Audits, CE Audits for Complaints, and Delegated Authority to Resolve CE Deficiencies: The Board considered a draft consent agreement to resolve CE violations by respondents to complaints. Board counsel will review the draft agreement, and the Board will consider the draft again at a future meeting.

Monitoring

• Austin Callahan, 2021-001189-IT-ENF, Approval of Proposed Monitor: The Board reviewed Ms. Callahan's submission of a proposed monitor, Anne Whiting. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Potvin, seconded by Ms. Glynn, to approve Ms. Whiting as Ms. Callahan's monitor. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Executive Session CLOSED under G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(7) to comply with M.G.L. c. 4, § 7, ¶ 26(c) and G.L. c. 214, § 1B – adhering to the public records law and to preserve the confidentiality of medical record information

At 9:29 a.m., a motion was made by Ms. Potvin, seconded by Ms. Smith, to exit the public meeting and enter into executive session under G.L. c. 30A, \S 21(a)(7) to comply with M.G.L. c. 4, \S 7, \P 26(c) and G.L. c. 214, \S 1B – adhering to the public records law and to preserve the confidentiality of medical record information, to review a petition to reinstate. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

The Board entered executive session at 9:29 a.m.

Closed Session under G.L. c. 112, § 65C to Conduct Investigatory Conferences

The Board entered investigative conference at 9:56 a.m.

During the investigative conference, the Board took the following action:

Settlement

2022-000840-IT-ENF (JR): Gave direction to

prosecutor

Case Interview

2022-000922-IT-ENF (MC): Interviewed

respondent; refer to Office of Prosecutions

Cases

CASE-2023-0019 (AS): Refer to Office of

Prosecutions

Ms. Glynn left the meeting at 10:44 a.m.

CASE-2023-0030 (Orthopedic & Sports Physical Therapy of Cape Cod): Dismiss

Adjournment

At 10:49 a.m., a motion was made by Ms. Potvin, seconded by Ms. Smith, to exit closed session and return to open session, then adjourn. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

The meeting adjourned at 10:49 a.m.

The above minutes were approved at the public meeting held on April 27, 2023.

Brian Bialas, Executive Director

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List of Documents Used by the Board at the Public Meeting:

- Agenda for Meeting of March 23, 2023
- Public Meeting Minutes of February 23, 2023
- Executive Session Minutes of February 23, 2023
- 1.31.23 Email from C. Jennings of FSBPT re: Delegate Selection
- 3.9.23 Email from C. Jennings of FSBPT re: Model Practice Act Workshop
- Draft CE Violation Consent Agreement
- Austin Callahan, 2021-001189-IT-ENF, Documents re: Proposed Monitor