## VIRGINIA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

February 7, 2014

CALL TO ORDER: A Special Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Board of

Psychology ("Board") convened on February 7, 2014, at 12:05 p.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960

Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Edward Peck, III, Ph.D.

Giordana De Altin Popiolek, Psy.D.

Thomas Ryan, Ph.D.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Catherine Chappell, Executive Director

Patricia L. Larimer, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline

Peter Opper, Adjudication Specialist

MATTER SCHEDULED: Margaret M. Wong, School Psychologist

License No.: 0803-000229

Case No.: 148069

**DISCUSSION:** Dr. Wong appeared before the Committee in person in accordance

with a Notice of the Board dated November 18, 2013, to review allegations that she may have violated portions of the laws and regulations governing the practice of psychology in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Dr. Wong was represented by Christopher E. Hassell, Esquire. The Committee fully discussed the

allegations contained in the notice with Dr. Wong.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by Dr. Ryan and duly seconded by Dr. De Altin

Popiolek, the Committee voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Margaret Wong. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Chappell and Mr. Opper attend the closed meeting, because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations.

**RECONVENE:** Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed

session met the requirements of § 2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee reconvened in open session and announced its decision.

**DECISION:** Upon a motion by Dr. Ryan, and duly seconded by Dr. De Altin

Popiolek, the Committee made certain Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and voted to issue Dr. Wong a reprimand and to

place her on probation under certain terms and conditions.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Catherine Chappell
Catherine Chappell, Executive Director

2/25/2014 Date