

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE - VIRTUAL
MINUTES**

June 29, 2021

**Department of Health Professions
Perimeter Center
9960 Mayland Drive
Henrico, Virginia 23233**

CALL TO ORDER:

A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mira Mariano, PT, PhD, Chair (Virtual)
Rebecca Duff, PTA, DHSc (Virtual)

DHP STAFF PRESENT:

Kelley Palmatier, Deputy Executive Director (Virtual)
Angela Pearson, Senior Discipline Manager (In-Person)
Claire Foley, Adjudication Specialist (Virtual)

MATTER:

**Paul Choi, P.T. Reinstatement Applicant
License #2305-210027
Case #206689**

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Choi appeared virtually before the Committee in accordance with the Board's Notice of Informal Conference dated April 30, 2021 and he was not represented by counsel.

The Committee fully discussed the allegations as referenced in the April 30, 2021 Notice of Informal Conference with Mr. Choi.

CLOSED SESSION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Duff and duly seconded by Dr. Mariano, 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 Paul Choi, P.T. Reinstatement Applicant. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Palmatier and Ms. Pearson attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting

was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its discussions.

RECONVENE:

Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee re-convened in open session.

DECISION:

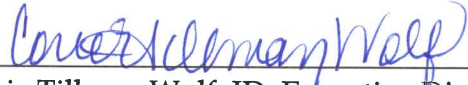
Upon a motion by Dr. Duff and duly seconded by Dr. Mariano, the Committee voted and ordered the reinstatement of the Respondent's license, probation, counseling, a chaperone when working with female patients, the respondent to provide future P.T. employers with a copy of the Board Order and to provide quarterly reports from the employer and counselor to the Board. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 10:43 a.m.



Mira Mariano, PT, PhD, Chair



Corie Tillman Wolf, JD, Executive Director

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Department of Health Professions
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CALL TO ORDER:

A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 11:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mira Mariano, PT, PhD, Chair (Virtual)
Rebecca Duff, PTA, DHSc (Virtual)

DHP STAFF PRESENT:

Kelley Palmatier, Deputy Executive Director (Virtual)
Angela Pearson, Senior Discipline Manager (In-Person)
Claire Foley, Adjudication Specialist (Virtual)

MATTER:

Usama M. Abdelghany, P.T.
License #2305-005855
Case #198480

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Abdelghany appeared virtually before the Committee in accordance with the Board's Notice of Informal Conference dated February 9, 2021 and he was not represented by counsel.

The Committee fully discussed the allegations as referenced in the February 9, 2021 Notice of Informal Conference with Mr. Abdelghany.

CLOSED SESSION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Duff and duly seconded by Dr. Mariano, 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 Usama M. Abdelghany, P.T. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Palmatier and Ms. Pearson attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its discussions.

RECONVENE:

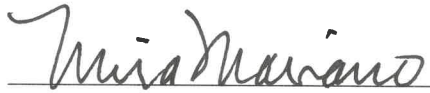
Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee re-convened in open session.

DECISION:

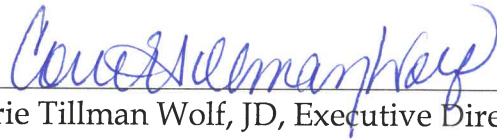
Upon a motion by Dr. Duff and duly seconded by Dr. Mariano, the Committee voted and ordered a reprimand, monetary penalty and continuing education. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 12:30 p.m.



Mira Mariano, PT, PhD, Chair



Corie Tillman Wolf, JD, Executive Director

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