

APPROVED
VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MINUTES DECEMBER 9, 2021
Department of Health Professions
Perimeter Center
9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201
Henrico, VA

CALL TO ORDER: A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Amanda Barner, M.D., Chair
Brenda Stokes, M.D.
James Arnold, D.P.M.

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline
Jennie F. Wood, Case Manager, Discipline
Tracy Robinson, Adjudication Specialist

MATTER: Felix Eugene Shepard, Jr., M.D. License No.: 0101-053138
Case No.: 214072

DISCUSSION: Dr. Shepard appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated September 29, 2021. Dr. Shepard was represented by Christopher Stevens, Esquire.

The Committee fully discussed the allegations in the Notice with Dr. Shepard.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by Dr. Stokes, and duly seconded by Dr. Arnold, 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 Dr. Shepard. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Wood 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 re-convened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION: Upon a motion by Dr. Arnold, and duly seconded by Dr. Stokes, the Committee made certain Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and voted to approve Dr. Shepard's return to practice under terms of the prior Board Order entered May 2021.

VOTE: The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT: The Committee adjourned at 10:16 a.m.


As provided by law this decision shall become a Final Order thirty (30) days after service of such Order on Dr. Shepard, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Dr. Shepard, within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail three (3) additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of the Special Conference Committee shall be vacated.



Amanda Barner, M.D., Chair

12/9/21

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William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director

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CALL TO ORDER: A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 10:31 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brenda Stokes, M.D., Chair
Amanda Barner, M.D.
James Arnold, D.P.M.

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline
Jennie F. Wood, Case Manager, Discipline
Shevaun Roukous, Adjudication Specialist

MATTER: **Julian Pappy Choe, M.D.** License No.: 0101-050711
Case No.: 211632

PRELIMINARY MATTER: The Chair noted that the time was 10:31 a.m. and Dr. Choe was noticed to appear before the Committee at 9:00 a.m. and was not present.

Ms. Roukous advised that the Notice had been sent to Dr. Choe's address of record with the Board by overnight and First class mail.

RULING: Based on the information provided by Ms. Roukous, the Chair determined that proper notice had been provided to Dr. Choe, therefore, the informal conference would proceed in his absence.

DISCUSSION: Dr. Choe did not appear before the Committee in accordance with the Board's Notice of Informal Conference dated September 29, 2021, nor was he represented at the conference by legal counsel.

The Committee fully considered the evidence before it and received information from Ms. Roukous regarding the allegations in the Notice.

DECISION: Upon a motion by Dr. Barner, and duly seconded by Dr. Arnold, the Committee made certain Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and voted to mirror the terms of the Maryland Order.

VOTE: The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT: The Committee adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

As provided by law this decision shall become a Final Order thirty (30) days after service of such Order on Dr. Choe, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Dr. Choe, within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail three (3) additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of the Special Conference Committee shall be vacated.

Brenda Stokes M.D.
Brenda Stokes, M.D., Chair

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CALL TO ORDER: A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 1:05 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: James Arnold, D.P.M., Chair
Amanda Barner, M.D.

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline
Jennie F. Wood, Case Manager, Discipline
Anne Joseph, Adjudication Specialist

OTHERS PRESENT: Cindy Spencer, Office Administrator
Mrs. White

MATTER: James Wheeler White, D.C. License No.: 0104-000625
Case No.: 209124

DISCUSSION: Dr. White appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated September 21, 2021. Dr. White was represented by Phillip Baker, Esquire.

The Committee fully discussed the allegations in the Notice with Dr. White.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by Dr. Barner, and duly seconded by Dr. Arnold, 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 Dr. White. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Wood 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 re-convened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION: Upon a motion by Dr. Barner, and duly seconded by Dr. Arnold, the Committee made certain Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and voted to dismiss the matter.

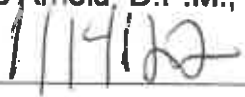
VOTE: The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT: The Committee adjourned at 2:45 p.m.


As provided by law this decision shall become a Final Order thirty (30) days after service of such Order on Dr. White, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Dr. White, within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail three (3) additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of the Special Conference Committee shall be vacated.



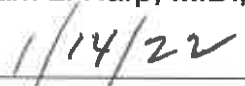
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