VIRGINIA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Friday, May 25, 2012

CALL TO ORDER:

A Special Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Board of Psychology ("Board") convened on Friday, May 25, 2012, at 2:13 p.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center,

9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, VA.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Robert S. Falk, Ph.D.

Herbert Lee Stewart, Ph.D.

STAFF PRESENT:

Patricia L. Larimer, Deputy Executive Director

Peter Opper, Adjudication Specialist Kathy Theado, Administrative Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT:

Laura Siebert, LCSW

MATTER SCHEDULED:

Michael J. Perkins, Ph.D. License No.: 0810-000969

Case No.: 131333

DISCUSSION:

Dr. Michael J. Perkins appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated April 18, 2012, to review allegations that he may have violated portions of the laws and regulations governing the practice of Psychology in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Dr. Perkins was represented Andrew Sacks, Esquire. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Dr. Perkins and also received statements

from Ms. Siebert.

CLOSED SESSION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Stewart and duly seconded by Dr. Falk, 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. Perkins. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Larimer, Mr. Opper, and Ms. Theado, 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. Stewart, and duly seconded by Dr. Falk, the

Committee made certain Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law,

and voted to offer Dr. Perkins a Consent Order.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Robert S. Falk, Ph.D., Chair

Date

Patricia L. Larimer, Deputy Executive Director

Date