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BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN PHYSICAL THERAPY
Minutes of October 8, 2024, Public Board Meeting

Virtual Meeting Public Notification and Hearing/Viewing Instructions Provided at the Opening of the Meeting by Board Chair Anderson.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Anderson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Leslie Anderson, Physical Therapist, Chair
Jennifer Adrienne McAuley, Physical Therapist, Vice Chair
Tracie Papsadora, Physical Therapist, Complaint Officer
Ashley Gagnon, Physical Therapist

STAFF PRESENT

Geraldine L. Betts, Administrator
Megan Hudson-MacRae, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel
Meagan McLaughlin, Comprehensive Health Planner II
Clark Phinney, Comprehensive Health Planner II
Dominic Cotone, Comprehensive Health Planner I

MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Review and approval of the minutes of July 24, 2024

Papsadora moved to accept the minutes of July 24, 2024, as presented. Seconded McAuley, unanimously voted.

APPLICATION REVIEW AND BOARD ACTION

Michele G. Stevens (Renewal)

Papsadora moved to preliminarily deny the renewal application of Michele G. Stevens, License No. PT1251 with offer of a Consent Agreement to include the following: 1) Admission to violation 10 M.R.S. § 8003-G; 2) Warning; 3) \$250.00 Civil Penalty to be paid within 90 days of the fully executed consent agreement. Seconded by Gagnon, unanimously voted.

Isabella Cook (Exam Eligibility)

Gagnon moved to table the exam eligibility request of Issabella Cook for further information.



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76 NORTHERN AVENUE, GARDINER, MAINE

Seconded by Anderson, unanimously voted.

REVIEW OF SUPERVISION

2024-PHY-19870

Papsadora moved to approve the supervision reports of 2024-PHY-19870. Seconded by Gagnon, unanimously voted.

REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION

Brittany Chapin, DPT, CBIS, Maine Center for Integrated Rehab

Request to regarding Board Rule Chapter 4, Section 1(A) – Request for a physical therapist to supervise three (3) physical therapy assistants.

Anderson moved to add agenda item of request for consideration from Brittany Chapin. Seconded by McAuley, unanimously voted.

Anderson voted to table the request of Ms. Chapin for further information. Seconded by Papsadora, Gagnon in favor, McAuley abstained.

BOARD ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Administrator Betts discussed the physical therapy compact that was passed by by the Maine Legislature in 2023 which will take effect January 1, 2026. Administrator Betts provided members with a brief overview preparation for implementing the PT compact and more would be provided as matters develop.

PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

Issabella Cook addressed the board regarding her exam eligibility and the factors involved regarding her exam attempts.

Michele Stevens addressed the Board regarding her application presentation. Assistant Attorney General Megan Hudson-MacRae explained to Ms. Steven's that the Board could not discuss this, but she would receive communications from Board staff.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Papsadora moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:04 a.m. Seconded by McAuley, unanimously voted.

*Prepared by: Meagan McLaughlin, Comprehensive Health Planner II
Board Approved: January 21, 2025*