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## Maine Board of Examiners in Physical Therapy Draft Minutes of January 27, 2023, Board Meeting

**Unofficial Minutes** – These draft minutes do not represent the opinion of the Department or the Administration. Minutes will become official after the Board of Examiners in Physical Therapy votes to accept the minutes at the next scheduled 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 MacRae-Hudson, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel Jessica Gowell, Comprehensive Health Planner II Dominic Cotone, Comprehensive Health Planner I

## MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

*Review and approval of the minutes of October 28, 2022* Papsadora moved to accept the minutes of October 28, 2022, as presented, seconded by Gagnon. Unanimously voted. McAuley and Peabody Gagnon abstained.

#### **COMPLAINT PROCESS PRESENTATION -** Assistant Attorney General, Megan MacRae-Hudson

Assistant Attorney General, Megan MacRae-Hudson provided the Board an overview of the complaint process via a slideshow.

# CORRESPONDENCE

Leann Sebrey, Chief Clinical Officer, Androscoggin Home Healthcare + Hospice regarding

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Board Rule Chapter 4, Section 1(A).

Papsadora moved to table action and request more information, seconded by McAuley. Unanimously voted.

### DISCUSSION

 Update the Code of Ethics (2020) and other professional practice issues
Allowing more Physical Therapist Assistants under the supervision of a Physical The Board would like to enter rulemaking for the above topics which will also include licensure by endorsement and telehealth.

## APPLICATION, REVIEW AND BOARD ACTION

Thomas Mourinho Malveiro, PT5918, Appeal 6<sup>th</sup> lifetime limit of the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) Papsadora moved to approve Thomas Mourinho Malveiro, PT5918 for a 7<sup>th</sup> examination attempt, seconded by Gagnon. Unanimously voted.

### PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

Gwen Simmons thanked the Board for considering entering rulemaking.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business McAuley moved to adjourn at 10:28 a.m., seconded by Papsadora. Unanimously voted.

#### *Prepared By: Jessica Gowell, Comprehensive Health Planner II Board approved:*