

**Board of Physical Therapy
Minutes of Special Meeting**

Date: December 20, 2017

Time: 9:00 a.m. CST

Location: Poplar Conference Room
665 Mainstream Drive
Ground Floor
Nashville, TN 37243

Members Present: David Harris, PTA, Chair
David Finch, PT, Secretary
Ronald Barredo, DPT, Ph.D
LeAnn Childress, PT

Members Absent: Vacant, Consumer

Staff Present: Michael Sobowale, Board Director
Mary Webb, Unit Manager
Tomica Walker, Board Administrator
Denard Mickens, Assistant General Counsel

With of a quorum being present, the special board meeting was called to order by Mr. Harris at 9:00 a.m. A roll call was taken of all members present.

Consent Order

Perry Smith, PT License # 7943- Mr. Mickens presented a Consent Order on Mr. Smith for sexual misconduct of several of his patients. Mr. Smith Voluntarily Surrendered his physical therapist license. Mr. Smith understands that Voluntary Surrender has the same effect as revocation of a license. Mr. Smith was assessed \$1,000.00 in civil penalties, for a total amount of \$3,000.00. After discussion, Dr. Barredo made a motion, seconded by Ms. Childress, to accept the Consent Order as presented. The motion carried.

Applicant Interview

Tera Giese, PT Applicant- Ms. Giese was present. Dr. Barredo recused himself. Ms. Giese appeared before the board due to indications of multiple criminal history which appeared on her criminal background check showing a DUI charge in 2007, Driving While License Revoked charge in 2013, and a Public Intoxication charge in 2015. Ms. Giese informed the Board that the DUI charge in 2007 was eventually reduced to Reckless Driving and dismissed in 2011 while she was placed on diversion for the Public Intoxication charge. She is still under court diversion at the time she appeared before the Board.

Ms. Giese explained to the Board that she no longer drinks alcohol and has done everything that the courts have requested of her, including paying all fines. Ms. Giese stated that she has learned from her mistakes and has since graduated with her DPT degree and is eager to start her career. After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Finch made a motion, seconded by Ms. Childress, to approve Ms. Giese for a license contingent upon a favorable TNPAP evaluation, and she must follow all TNPAP recommendations, including any requirement to sign a monitoring agreement. The motion carried.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, Dr. Barredo made a motion, seconded by Ms. Childress, for adjournment of the meeting. The motion carried.