

## Arizona Regulatory Board of Physician Assistants

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#### DRAFT MINUTES FOR SPECIAL MEETING Held on Wednesday, September 21, 2016 9535 E. Doubletree Ranch Road · Scottsdale, Arizona 85258

#### **Board Members**

Geoffrey W. Hoffa, D.H.S.c., P.A.-C, Chair Myles A. Whitfield, P.A.-C, Vice Chair Carole A. Crevier Randy D. Danielsen, PhD, P.A., D.F.A.A.P.A. Thomas E. Kelly, M.D. Sheldon G. Liechty, PA-C Kit C. McCalla, D.O. Gary A. Smith, M.D., F.A.A.F.P. Jacqueline J. Spiegel, M.S., P.A.-C, D.F.A.A.P.A. Patrick J. Van Zanen

#### Wednesday, September 21, 2016

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Hoffa called the meeting to order at 3:19 p.m.

#### **B. ROLL CALL**

The following Board members were present: Chairman Hoffa, PA Whitfield, Ms. Crevier, Dr. Danielsen, PA Liechty, PA Spiegel and Mr. Van Zanen. The following Board members were absent: Dr. McCalla, Dr. Kelly and Dr. Smith.

#### **ALSO PRESENT**

Carrie Smith, AAG; Patricia E. McSorley, Executive Director; William Wolf, M.D., Chief Medical Consultant; Raquel Rivera, Interim Acting Investigations Manager; Mary Bober, Board Operations Manager; Andrea Cisneros, Staff Investigational Review Committee ("SIRC") Coordinator; and Michelle Robles, Board Coordinator.

#### C. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No Individuals who addressed the Board during the Public Statements portion of the meeting.

#### D. PROPOSED CONSENT AGREEMENTS (Disciplinary)

1. PA-16-0006A, STEVEN M. YOUNG, P.A., LIC. #1634

Board staff summarized that the case was initiated on January 26, 2016 after receiving a self-report for a DUI. The Physician Health Program ("PHP") contractor opined PA Young is not safe to perform health care tasks. On February 24, 2016 PA Young entered into an Interim Consent Agreement for Practice Limitation and Evaluation. The Board received a subsequent complaint stating that PA Young failed to notify his supervising physician of his limitation and provided care to three patients while on a practice limitation. PA Young

was issued an interim order for neuropsychological evaluation and failed to complete the evaluation. PA Young subsequently reported he would not be renewing his license.

MOTION: Chairman Hoffa moved to accept the proposed Consent Agreement for Surrender of Licensure.

SECOND: Dr. Danielsen.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Roll call vote was taken and the following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Mr. Van Zanen, PA Spiegel, PA Liechty, Dr. Danielsen, Ms. Crevier, PA Whitfield and Chairman Hoffa. The following Board members were absent: Dr. Kelly, Dr. McCalla and Dr. Smith.

VOTE: 7-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 3-absent. MOTION PASSED.

#### **E. LICENSE APPLICATIONS**

#### i. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING RENEWAL APPLICATION AND CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDED ADVISORY LETTER

1. PA-16-0014A, STEVEN C. DE FRANCIS, P.A., LIC. #5268

Board staff summarized that the case was initiated after receiving PA De Francis' March 10 2016 renewal application where he disclosed a misdemeanor that had occurred in October of 2015 and had not been reported timely." The staff investigational review committee (SIRC) reviewed the case and recommended granting the license renewal and issuing an Advisory Letter for failure to report a DUI timely.

# MOTION: Chairman Hoffa moved for the Board to enter into Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2) and (3). SECOND: PA Whitfield.

VOTE: 7-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 3-absent. MOTION PASSED.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 3:24 pm The Board returned to Open Session at 3:36 pm No legal action was taken by the Board during Executive Session.

### MOTION: Chairman Hoffa moved to grant the license renewal. SECOND: PA Whitfield.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Roll call vote was taken and the following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Mr. Van Zanen, PA Spiegel, PA Liechty, Dr. Danielsen, Ms. Crevier, PA Whitfield and Chairman Hoffa. The following Board members were absent: Dr. Kelly, Dr. McCalla and Dr. Smith. VOTE: 7-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 3-absent. MOTION PASSED/FAILED.

MOTION: Chairman Hoffa moved to issue an Advisory Letter for failure to report a DUI arrest pursuant to statute. There is insufficient evidence to support disciplinary action. SECOND: PA Whitfield. VOTE: 7-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 3-absent. MOTION PASSED. MOTION: PA Whitfield moved to adjourn the meeting. SECOND: PA Spiegel. VOTE: 7-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 3-absent. MOTION PASSED.

The meeting adjourned at 3:38 p.m.



Patricia E. McSorley, Executive Director