

(FINAL/APPROVED)

VIRGINIA BOARD OF PHARMACY
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, April 18, 2018
Commonwealth Conference Center
Second Floor
Board Room 1

Department of Health Professions
Perimeter Center
9960 Mayland Drive
Henrico, Virginia 23233

PRESIDING: Rafael Saenz, Committee Chair

MEMBERS PRESENT: Melvin Boone, Committee Member

STAFF PRESENT: Ellen B. Shinaberry, Deputy Executive Director
Anne G. Joseph, Deputy Executive Director
Mykl D. Egan, DHP Adjudication Specialist

Larita Alvarez
License No. 0202-208936

Larita Alvarez did not appear to discuss allegations that she may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of pharmacy as stated in the November 22, 2017 Notice. The Chair of the Committee chose to proceed with the informal conference as the Notice had been sent to Ms. Alvarez's legal address of record.

Closed Meeting: Upon a motion by Mr. Boone, and duly seconded by Mr. Saenz, the Committee unanimously voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(27) for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Larita Alvarez. Additionally, he moved that Ellen Shinaberry and Anne Joseph 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 meeting met the requirements of Virginia Code § 2.2-3712, the Committee reconvened in open meeting and announced the decision.

Decision: Upon a motion by Mr. Boone, and duly seconded by Mr. Saenz, the Committee unanimously voted to issue an Order to reprimand Ms. Alvarez.

Jodi V. Ettare
License No. 0202-205862

Jodi Ettare appeared to discuss allegations that she may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of pharmacy as stated in the February 22, 2018.

Closed Meeting: Upon a motion by Mr. Boone, and duly seconded by Mr. Saenz, the Committee unanimously voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(27) for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Jodi Ettare. Additionally, he moved that Ellen Shinabery and Anne Joseph 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 meeting met the requirements of Virginia Code § 2.2-3712, the Committee reconvened in open meeting and announced the decision.

Decision: Upon a motion by Mr. Boone, and duly seconded by Mr. Saenz, the Committee unanimously voted to issue an Order for an unannounced inspection within the next six months and to impose a monetary penalty.

Edward R. Breslow
License No. 0202-011951

Edward Breslow appeared to discuss allegations that he may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of pharmacy as stated in the February 22, 2018 Notice.

Jamie Long, Pharmacy Technician, Rustburg Family Pharmacy, was present on his behalf.

Closed Meeting:

Upon a motion by Mr. Boone, and duly seconded by Mr. Saenz, the Committee unanimously voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(27) for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Edward Breslow. Additionally, he moved that Ellen Shinaberry and Anne Joseph 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 meeting met the requirements of Virginia Code § 2.2-3712, the Committee reconvened in open meeting and announced the decision.

Decision:

Upon a motion by Mr. Boone, and duly seconded by Mr. Saenz, the Committee unanimously voted to issue an Order to reprimand Mr. Breslow.

Hailu T. Wakjera
License No. 0202-206385

Hailu Wakjera did appear to discuss allegations that he may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of pharmacy as stated in the February 23, 2018 Notice.

Closed Meeting:

Upon a motion by Mr. Boone, and duly seconded by Mr. Saenz, the Committee unanimously voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(27) for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Hailu Wakjera. Additionally, he moved that Ellen Shinaberry and Anne Joseph 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 meeting met the requirements of Virginia Code § 2.2-3712, the Committee reconvened in open meeting and announced the decision.

Decision: Upon a motion by Mr. Boone, and duly seconded by Mr. Saenz, the Committee unanimously voted to issue an Order to reprimand Mr. Wakjera.

Bassim W. Girgis
License No. 0202-209688

Bassim Girgis appeared with Hunter Jamerson, his attorney to discuss allegations that he may have violated certain laws governing the practice of pharmacy as stated in the March 1, 2018 Notice.

Closed Meeting: Upon a motion by Mr. Boone, and duly seconded by Mr. Saenz, the Committee unanimously voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(27) for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Bassim Girgis. Additionally, he moved that Ellen Shinaberry and Anne Joseph 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 meeting met the requirements of Virginia Code § 2.2-3712, the Committee reconvened in open meeting and announced the decision.

Decision: Upon a motion by Mr. Boone, and duly seconded by Mr. Saenz, the Committee unanimously voted to issue an Order to impose a monetary penalty.

Akina Pharmacy
Permit No. 0201-004538

Bassim Girgis, the PIC and Hunter Jamerson, it's attorney, appeared on behalf of Akina Pharmacy to discuss allegations that it may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the conduct of pharmacy as stated in the March 16, 2018 Notice.

Closed Meeting:

Upon a motion by Mr. Boone, and duly seconded by Mr. Saenz, the Committee unanimously voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(27) for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Akina Pharmacy. Additionally, he moved that Ellen Shinaberry and Anne Joseph 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 meeting met the requirements of Virginia Code § 2.2-3712, the Committee reconvened in open meeting and announced the decision.

Decision:

Upon a motion by Mr. Boone, and duly seconded by Mr. Saenz, the Committee unanimously voted to issue an Order to impose a monetary penalty.

Toni R. Waldron
Registration No. 0230-010380

Toni Waldron did not appear to discuss allegations that she may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of pharmacy as stated in the March 5, 2018 Notice. The Chair of the Committee chose to proceed with the informal conference as the Notice had been sent to Mr. Waldron's legal address of record.

Closed Meeting:

Upon a motion by Mr. Boone, and duly seconded by Mr. Saenz, the Committee unanimously voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(27) for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Toni Waldron. Additionally, he moved that Ellen Shinaberry and Anne Joseph 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 meeting met the requirements of Virginia Code § 2.2-3712, the Committee reconvened in open meeting and announced the decision.


Decision:

Upon a motion by Mr. Boone, and duly seconded by Mr. Saenz, the Committee unanimously voted to issue an Order to reprimand Mr. Waldron and to impose a monetary penalty.

ADJOURN:

With all business concluded, the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.


Rafael Saenz, Chair


Ellen B. Shinaberry
Deputy Executive Director

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