

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
MINUTES**

Friday, March 2, 2018
12:00 P.M.

Department of Health Professions
9960 Mayland Drive, Suite #300
Henrico, Virginia 23233

DATE, TIME & PLACE: On March 2, 2018, at 12:00 p.m., the Board of Physical Therapy convened by telephone conference call with a quorum of the Board present. The Board Vice-President presided as Chair, in order to consider whether a practitioner's ability to practice physical therapy constituted a substantial danger to public health and safety pursuant to Va. Code §54.1-2408.1.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Arkena Dailey, PT, DPT, Chair
Tracey Adler, PT, DPT
Mira Mariano, PT, PhD, OCS
Elizabeth Locke, PT, PhD
Susan Szasz Palmer, Citizen Member

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sarah Schmidt, PTA, MPH

MEMBERS RECUSED: Allen Jones, Jr., PT, DPT

BOARD COUNSEL: Erin Barrett, Assistant Attorney General

DHP STAFF PRESENT: Lynne Helmick, Deputy Executive Director
Kathy Petersen, Senior Discipline Operations Manager
Candace Carey, Discipline Operations Assistant
Sarah Georgen, Licensing and Operations Manager

PARTIES ON BEHALF OF COMMONWEALTH: James Schliessmann, Senior Assistant Attorney General
Jess Kelley, Adjudication Specialist

MATTER CONSIDERED: **ASHLEY LANEY, P.T.A.**
License No.: 2306-604400
Case No.: 183450

The Board received information from Sr. AAG James Schliessmann in order to determine whether Ms. Laney's ability to practice as a physical therapist assistant constituted a substantial danger to public health and safety. Mr.

Schliessmann provided details of the case to the Board for its consideration.

CLOSED SESSION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Adler, and duly seconded by Dr. Locke, the Board voted to convene a closed meeting at 12:15 p.m., pursuant to §2.2-3711.A(27) of the Code of Virginia, for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ashley Laney, PTA. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Helmick, Ms. Petersen, Ms. Carey, Ms. Georgen and Ms. Barrett attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Board in its deliberations.

RECONVENE:

Upon a motion by Dr. Adler, and duly seconded by Dr. Mariano, the Board voted to re-convene at 12:24 p.m.

CERTIFICATION:

Dr. Adler certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia, the Board reconvened in open session.

DECISION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Adler, and duly seconded by Dr. Locke, the Board determined that Ms. Laney's ability to practice constituted a substantial danger to the public health and safety and voted to summarily suspend her license simultaneous with the institution of proceedings for a formal administrative hearing pursuant to §54.1-2408.1 of the Code of Virginia. The Board also agreed to offer Ms. Laney a Consent Order in lieu of a Formal Hearing.

VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

DECISION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Mariano, and duly seconded by Dr. Locke, the Board voted to offer Ms. Laney a Consent Order for Indefinite Suspension for no less than two years.

VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 12:28 p.m.


Arkena Dailey, PT, DPT, Chair


Corie Tillman Wolf, Executive Director

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