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VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

July 12, 2018 Department of Health Professions Henrico, Virginia
Perimeter Center
9960 Mayland Drive, Suite #300

- CALL TO ORDER:** A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 9:13 a.m.
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** N. Ray Tuck, Jr., D.C., Chair
Kenneth Walker, M.D.
Jacob Miller, M.D.
- STAFF PRESENT:** Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline
Jennie F. Wood, Case Manager, Discipline
Michael Parsons, Adjudication Specialist
- MATTER:** Touraj Farid, M.D. License No.: 0101-238763
Case No.: 180661
- PRELIMINARY MATTER:** The Chair noted that the time was 9:15 a.m. and Dr. Farid was noticed to appear before the Committee at 9:00 a.m. and was not present.
- Mr. Parsons advised that the Notice had been sent to Dr. Farid's address of record with the Board by overnight and 1st class mail.
- RULING:** Based on the information provided by Mr. Parsons, the Chair determined that proper notice had been provided to Dr. Farid, therefore, the informal conference would proceed in his absence.
- DISCUSSION:** Dr. Farid did not appear before the Committee in accordance with the Board's Notice of Informal Conference dated April 17, 2018, nor was he represented at the conference by legal counsel.
- The Committee fully considered the evidence before it and received information from Mr. Parsons regarding the allegations in the Notice.

CLOSED SESSION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Walker, and duly seconded by Dr. Miller, the Committee voted to convene a closed meeting 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 Dr. Farid. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Wood 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 session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee re-convened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Miller, and duly seconded by Dr. Walker, the Committee made certain findings of fact and conclusions of law and voted to issue Dr. Farid a reprimand.

VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:


The Committee adjourned at 9:46 a.m.

As provided by law this decision shall become a Final Order thirty (30) days after service of such Order on Dr. Farid, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Dr. Farid, within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail three (3) additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of the Special Conference Committee shall be vacated.



N. Ray Tuck, Jr., D.C., Chair

7/12/18
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William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director

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DECISION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Tuck, and duly seconded by Dr. Miller, the Committee made certain findings of fact and conclusions of law and voted to issue Dr. Klein a reprimand and subject his license to terms restricting prescribing Schedule II drugs for 6 months, take 15 hours Continuing Education in prescribing and to read regulations and comply to them.

VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.


ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 12:43 p.m.

As provided by law this decision shall become a Final Order thirty (30) days after service of such Order on Dr. Klein, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Dr. Klein, within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail three (3) additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of the Special Conference Committee shall be vacated.


Kenneth Walker, M.D., Chair

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