

The **Connecticut State Board of Examiners for Physical Therapists** held a meeting on January 21, 2020 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut in conference room A on the second floor.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Andrea O'Brien, PT
Laurie Devaney, PT
Michael J. Parisi, PT
James Ware, MD

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Mary Lou Sanders, MS, BSN

ALSO PRESENT Stacy Schulman, Esq., Hearing Officer, DPH
Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Parisi at 9:03 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the December 3, 2019 meeting were reviewed. Mr. Parisi made a motion, seconded by Ms. O'Brien, to adopt the minutes. The motion passed.

II. FACT-FINDING

Declaratory Ruling Proceeding - RE: Acupuncture / Dry Needling

Assistant Attorney General, Kerry Colson was present to provide counsel to the Board. The Board reviewed the transcript and exhibits in this matter.

Mr. Parisi made a motion, that the Board's ruling state that acupuncture, as defined in Section 20-206aa(3) of the General Statutes, is NOT within the scope of practice of a physical therapists. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Parisi made a motion, that the Board's ruling state that dry needling is within the scope of practice of a physical therapist as defined in Section 20-66(2) of the General Statutes. The motion passed unanimously

III. ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael J. Parisi, PT
Connecticut State Board of Examiners for Physical Therapists