

State Board of Psychological Examiners

April 2, 2001

Public Session Minutes

The general public meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Psychological Examiners was held at the Board office, 124 Halsey Street, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order at 9:43 A.M. by Kenneth Roy, Ed.D., Chair.

PRESENT:

Kenneth G. Roy, Ed.D., Chair
Margery B. Manheim, Ph.D., Vice Chair
Victoria W. Jeffers, Ph.D., Secretary
T. Stephen Patterson, Ph.D., Government Member
Keith Cicerone, Ph.D.
Kenneth A. Leight, Ph.D.

ABSENT:

Jeffry H. Tindall, Ph.D.
Debra Eckert-Casha, Esq., Public Member
Paul C. Brush, Executive Director

ALSO ATTENDING:

Kathy Rohr, S.D.A.G., Counsel to Board
Wanda Y. Ginn, Secretarial Assistant
Carmella Volz, Assistant to the Executive Director

MINUTES:

Upon motion made by Dr. Jeffers and seconded by Dr. Manheim, the Board voted to approve the open session minutes of December 4, 2001, February 5, 2001 and March 12, 2001, with corrections. Voting in favor of the motion. all.

CLOSED SESSION AND RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Upon motion made and seconded, the Board voted to go into closed session for discussion of the oral examinations. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

The Board returned to open session.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT:

LICENSED BY ORAL EXAMINATION

Maryann McLaughlin, Psy.D.
Candice Rettie, Ph.D.
Gary Beaufait, Psy.D.
Margaret Hickey, Psy.D.
Dale Hartman, Ph.D.
David Perry, Ph.D.

Timothy Foley, Ph.D.
Joan Lavender, Psy.D.

TEMPORARY PERMIT NOT TO EXCEED **THREE YEARS**

The following candidates were issued a three-year temporary permit for the **supervised** practice of psychology:

Tina Zilla, Psy.D.
Rosemarie Cataldo, Ph.D.

TEMPORARY PERMIT NOT TO EXCEED **ONE YEAR**

The following candidates were issued a one-year temporary permit for the **unsupervised** practice of psychology:

Karen-Jo Van Manen, Ph.D.
Arnold Wilson, Ph.D.

REPORT ON PERMIT CONFERENCES HELD ON **4/2/01** JEFFERS/MANHEIM

Susan Fisher, Psy.D./Walter Florek, Ph.D., supervisor [present]

Dr. Fisher took and failed the EPPP written examination on October 11, 2000.

Upon motion made by Dr. Manheim and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board voted to extend Dr. Fishers three-year temporary permit, supervised, until she receives her results from the October 17, 2001 EPPP written examination with no change in her caseload. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Anne Rothman, Ph.D./Mark Cetta, Ph.D., supervisor [present]

Dr. Rothman took and failed her oral examination on December 11, 2000.

Upon motion made by Dr. Manheim and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board voted to extend Dr. Rothmans three-year temporary permit, supervised, until she receives the results of her oral examination. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Morgan Murray, Ph.D./Margaret Arthur, Ph.D. & Herbert Potash, Ph.D., supervisors

Dr. Morgan took and failed his oral examination on September 25, 2000.

Upon motion made by Dr. Manheim and seconded by Dr. Cicerone, the Board voted to extend Dr. Murrays three-year temporary permit, supervised, contingent upon him submitting his work sample for the oral examination within 90 days after written notification. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

CORRESPONDENCE

Maryann McCoul, Ph.D.

Dr. McCoul wrote requesting an extension of her one-year temporary permit, supervised, which expires on April 27, 2001. Dr. McCoul stated that she would not be taking the EPPP written exam on April 18, 2001 but plans to take the EPPP on October 17, 2001.

Upon motion made by Dr. Jeffers and seconded by Dr. Cicerone, the Board voted to extend Dr. McCouls one-year temporary permit, supervised, until she receives her results from the October 17, 2001 EPPP written examination. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Meryl Udell, Psy.D.

Dr. Udell wrote requesting an extension of her three-year temporary permit, supervised, which expired on March 23, 2001 and additional time to submit her work sample for the oral examination.

Upon motion made by Dr. Jeffers and seconded by Dr. Cicerone, the Board voted to extend Dr. Udell's three-year temporary permit, supervised, until she receives the results of her oral examination contingent upon the submission of her work sample in the Board office by July 1, 2001. Additionally, Dr. Udell will be informed that if the work sample is not in the Board office by July 1, 2001, her temporary permit would expire on that date. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Robert Bottinelli, Ph.D., #1896

Dr. Bottinelli wrote inquiring about a licensure exemption for the administration of some psychological testing.

Dr. Bottinelli stated that he has been contracted by Seabrook House, a residential addictions treatment center, to provide psychological assessments on a specific population within their facility. Dr. Bottinelli further states that Seabrook House is a not for profit agency that has two separate grants from the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment of the US Department of Health and Human Services.

Upon motion made by Dr. Jeffers and seconded by Dr. Cicerone, the Board requested that the office staff send Dr. Bottinelli an exemption notice form to be completed by Seabrook House to determine if they are a bona fide community agency. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Donald Bernstein, Ph.D., #105/N.J.P.A.

Dr. Bernstein submitted information to the Board that he received from a licensee and NJPA member. Dr. Bernstein questions whether the information places a licensee in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:14B-28, confidential relations and communications of the Boards statute.

Upon motion made by Dr. Jeffers and seconded by Dr. Cicerone, the Board is requesting that Dr. Bernstein forward a copy of the entire document to the Board office to be placed on its agenda for review. Furthermore, Dr. Bernstein was asked to inform the Board how he received this information and who sent it to him. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Department of Banking and Insurance; Division of Insurance

The Board was asked to comment on the Department of Banking and Insurance proposed new rules N.J.A.C. 11:22-3, Electronic Receipt and Transmission of Health Care Claim Information; Standard Enrollment and Claim Forms, published in the New Jersey Register on March 5, 2001.

Upon motion made by Dr. Jeffers and seconded by Dr. Manheim, the Board objected to N.J.A.C. 11:22-3.6 [a] which would require the provider to file the claim for payment unless, at the patient's option, the patient elects to file the claim directly with the payer. Additionally, the Board suggested that on the Group Enrollment Form under Pre-Existing Conditions Statement that 11. {mental or nervous disorder} be labeled psychiatric/psychological disorder. The Board felt that mental or nervous disorder was too vague and requires a medical diagnosis. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

DISCIPLINARY MATTERS

I/M/O Paul J. Forti, Ph.D., #3071

Dr. Roy reported that the continuation of the Public Hearing would be held on Monday, April 9, 2001 at 9:30 A.M. at the Board office.

Additionally, DAG Jeri Warhaftig submitted a Letter Brief for the Board's review to address Exhibit S-11 and S-12, both of which are certified true copies of police documents offered as evidence in the States case.

DAG Warhaftig reports that the Attorney Generals office sought to move these items into evidence and respondents counsel objected on the grounds that the items are hearsay.

Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Manheim, the Board voted to ratify the Chairs decision to admit the police reports as hearsay but not as evidence. The Board directed DAG Rohr to prepare an Order denying the states request to move S-11 and S-12 into evidence rather than hearsay. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40 P.M.

Respectfully yours,

Victoria W. Jeffers, Ph.D.
Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Date: Kenneth G. Roy
Chair



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