

State Board of Psychological Examiners

June 4, 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 9:50 A.M. by Kenneth Roy, Ed.D., Chair.

PRESENT:

Kenneth G. Roy, Ed.D., Chair
Victoria W. Jeffers, Ph.D., Secretary
Jeffrey H. Tindall, Ph.D.
T. Stephen Patterson, Ph.D., Government Member
Keith D. Cicerone, Ph.D.
Kenneth A. Leight, Ph.D.
Debra Eckert-Casha, Esq., Public Member

ABSENT:

Margery B. Manheim, Ph.D., Vice Chair
Carole Harper, Public Member

ALSO ATTENDING:

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

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

Upon motion made by Dr. Leight and seconded by Dr. Cicerone, the Board determined that the following candidates qualified for licensure. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Marnie A. Fegan, Ph.D.
Vicki Gluhoski, Ph.D.
Nicholas Montello, Ph.D.
Debra S. Melnick, Ph.D.

FAILED ORAL EXAMINATION

Upon motion made by Dr. Leight and seconded by Dr. Cicerone, the Board determined that the following candidate did not qualify for licensure. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Alan D. Filippi, Ph.D.

TEMPORARY PERMIT-NOT TO EXCEED THREE YEARS

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

Steven Reed, Ph.D.

Benjamin Alterman, Ph.D.

Jessica Gilch Pesantez, Ph.D.

ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS 2001-2002

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:14B-13, the Board held election of officers.

Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Tindall, **Kenneth G. Roy, Ed.D.** was re-elected by acclamation to serve as **Chair**. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Tindall, **Victoria W. Jeffers, Ph.D.** was elected by acclamation to serve as **Vice Chair**. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Tindall, **Kenneth A. Leight, Ph.D.** was elected by acclamation to serve as **Secretary**. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

CORRESPONDENCE

Claire L. Goldberg, Psy.D.

Dr. Goldberg wrote requesting a one-year temporary permit, unsupervised, based on her licensure in the State of New York. Dr. Goldberg has met the education and supervision requirement and has taken and passed the EPPP written examination.

Upon motion made by Dr. Tindall and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board voted to approve a one-year temporary permit, unsupervised, for Dr. Goldberg. Dr. Goldberg was advised that her work sample must be submitted to the Board office within five months after the issuance of the permit. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Caryn Kennelly, Psy.D.

Dr. Kennelly wrote requesting a one-year temporary permit, unsupervised, based on her licensure in the State of New York. Dr. Kennelly has met the education and supervision requirement and has taken and passed the EPPP written examination.

Upon motion made by Dr. Tindall and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board voted to approve a one-year temporary permit, unsupervised, for Dr. Kennelly. Dr. Kennelly was advised that her work sample must be submitted to the Board office within 90 days. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Amy Brams, Ph.D.

Dr. Brams wrote requesting a one-year temporary permit, unsupervised, based on her licensure in the State of New York. Dr. Brams has met the education and supervision requirement and has taken and passed the EPPP written examination.

Upon motion made by Dr. Tindall and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board voted to approve a one-year temporary permit, unsupervised, for Dr. Brams. Dr. Brams was advised that her work sample must be submitted to the Board office within 90 days. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Nicole Waldron Stanislaw, Psy.D.

Dr. Stanislaw wrote to provide the Board with an explanation of a misdemeanor for an underage drinking violation and the circumstances surrounding the incident.

Upon motion made by Dr. Tindall and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board noted the action and voted to allow Dr. Stanislaw's application process to proceed. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Angela Lombardi

Ms. Lombardi wrote to inform the Board that her husband, Donald Lombardi, died on May 6, 2001. Ms. Lombardi is also requesting a refund of the \$300.00 renewal fee paid by her husband before his death.

Upon motion made by Dr. Tindall and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board authorized Executive Director Brush to process paperwork for a refund. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act [HIPPA]

DAG Rohr provided the Board with a copy of the HIPPA Privacy Regulations which she thought might be of interest to the Board. DAG Rohr also reviewed the HIPPA Privacy Regulations with the Board.

Arlyne Pomerantz, Ph.D. #2859

Dr. Pomerantz wrote informing the Board of a legal name change as a result of a recent divorce. Dr. Pomerantz stated that she no longer has a copy of the court order in her possession.

Upon motion made by Dr. Tindall and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board voted to inform Dr. Pomerantz that she must obtain a duplicate copy of the certified order from the court before the Board office can process her name change.

Report on April 18, 2001 EPPP Written Examination

Thirty-two candidates took the exam; 14 failed; 18 passed.

DISCIPLINARY MATTERS

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

DAG Rohr reported that the Attorney General's office filed a motion to amend the verified complaint on May 17, 2001 which was granted by the Board of May 21, 2001. However a Consent Order was filed on May 22, 2001 in which Dr. Forti's license to practice psychology was permanently surrendered with prejudice to any future re-application.

I/M/O Andrew Cangelosi, Ph.D., #3118/Thomas Johnson, Ed.D., #3388, supervisor

Dr. Johnson submitted his fourth monthly progress report on his supervision of Dr. Cangelosi. Dr. Johnson reported that he saw Dr. Cangelosi for four sessions, three of which were double sessions because of his increased caseload. Dr. Johnson stated that supervision continues to be productive.

I/M/O Daniel Goldberg, Ph.D., #2059/Jeffrey Pular, Psy.D., #1762, supervisor

Dr. Pular submitted his sixth monthly progress report on his supervision of Dr. Goldberg. Dr. Pular reported that he has increased the supervision to twice a week to handle difficult technical issues as Dr. Goldberg's caseload increases.

I/M/O Herbert Tannenbaum, Ph.D., #1221/Stanley Moldawsky, Ph.D., #30, supervisor

Dr. Moldawsky submitted his progress report on his supervision of Dr. Tannenbaum. Dr. Moldawsky reported that he met with Dr. Tannenbaum for one session in April and that they have formulated treatment plans and general

approaches to deal with his problems.

REVIEW OF EXEMPTION NOTICE FORMS FROM NON-PROFIT COMMUNITY AGENCIES

Jersey City Medical Center

The Board reviewed an exemption notice form from James McCreath, Ph.D., LCSW at Jersey City Medical Center.

Pursuant to the provisions N.J.S.A. 45:14B-6 (a)3, after review of the information provided in the exemption notice form, upon motion made by Dr. Tindall and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board determined that Jersey City Medical Center is considered an exempt facility. Dr. McCreath was so advised that, in order to continue exempt status, the agency is required to confirm to the Board annually in January of its continuing exempt status. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Morristown Memorial Hospital

The Board reviewed an exemption notice form from Thomas Zaubler, M.D. at Morristown Memorial Hospital.

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 45:14B-6 (a)3, after review of the information provided in the exemption notice form, upon motion made by Dr. Tindall and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board determined that Morristown Memorial Hospital did not meet the criteria for a bona fide non-profit community agency at this time in that the form did not provide enough information for the Board to determine its status at the time of review. The Board requested that Dr. Zaubler submit the names of all licensed and unlicensed psychologists for each program seeking exemption since the Board exempts programs individually. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Review of the Draft of Regulation: Minors and Subchapter 10

Danielle Swenson, Regulatory Analyst, submitted to the Board for its review the final draft of the Regulation Committee's recommendations. The Board reviewed all the committee's recommendations. Dr. Roy has asked the committee to revisit 10:13 (a) at the next meeting.

Upon motion made by Dr. Jeffers and seconded and Dr. Cicerone, the Board approved the publication of the regulations in the New Jersey Register for public comments.

Additionally, the Board voted to reserve 10:13(a) until the committee's next report. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

COMMITTEE REPORT:

Judicial Education Committee

Debra Eckert-Casha reported on the retreat for Family Court judges held on May 14, 2001 in Avalon, New Jersey. She and Dr. Roy attended from the Board as did Mr. Brush. The purpose of the all day retreat was to educate the judges in attendance on what to expect from psychologists who have been appointed in custody related cases. In addition to Dr. Roy, other New Jersey licensed psychologists participating were Amy. Altenhaus, Ph.D., David A. Martindale, Ph.D., David M. Brodzinsky, Ph.D. and Frank Dyer, Ph.D. The Board also arranged for John A. Call, Ph.D., J.D., a Colorado licensed psychologist to attend and provide the keynote address. Each psychologist participated in a workshop session with a member of the judiciary acting as moderator. The program was well received and is being considered for futures retreats.

Dr. Roy suggested that the Board approve an honorarium of \$100.00 for the psychologists who participated, himself excepted. Upon motion made by Ms. Eckert-Casha and seconded by Dr. Patterson, the Board approved the honorarium. A letter of appreciation will also e sent to all who participated.

Debra Eckert-Casha, Esq. reported that the Conference Retreat held on May 14, 2001 was a success. The Board recommended sending a special letter of thanks to those psychologists who participated at the Spring Retreat

Conference. The Board has asked Executive Director Brush to explore the possibility of issuing Honoraria to those psychologists who participated in the Retreat.

Newsletter Committee

Debra Eckert-Casha, Esq. reported that the newsletter was submitted to the Division of Consumer Affairs for approval. Mrs. Casha also requested that any last minute articles and photos be submitted to her as soon as possible.

Oral Examination Committee

Dr. Tindall reported that the Committee will hold its first meeting on Friday, June 8, 2001 at the Board office.

Insurance Committee

Dr. Tindall reported that the Department of Banking & Insurance was going to propose a reduced fee schedule for medical services. Dr. Tindall further reported that once the fee structure is complete, there will be a public comment period. Dr. Tindall also added that the fee structure for psychological services was not changed.

Review of Legislation

Assembly, No. 3472@An Act concerning school psychologist

The Board strongly opposed this bill in that it would allow school psychologists to work with children ages 19 and under privately without a license. The Board feels that school psychologists may be well-trained for school-related issues, i.e. learning problems, absenteeism, etc. but for more serious psychological issues children should be referred to a licensed professional.

The Board further stated that the public would be enormously confused between a licensed psychologist and a practicing psychologist certified as a school psychologist. In addition, there would be no oversight board regulating the private practice of pediatric psychology by school psychologists. The Board urges the Division to oppose this bill.

APPROVED BY:

Respectfully submitted,

Date: Kenneth G. Roy, Ed.D.
Chair

Victoria W. Jeffers, Ph.D.
Secretary

Modified March 2002