

**NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS**  
**MONDAY, JUNE 4, 2012**  
**PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Psychological Examiners was held at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey in the Hudson Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> floor, on Monday, June 4, 2012. The meeting was convened in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. The meeting was called to order at 9:50 a.m.

**PRESENT:**

Nancy E. Friedman, Ph.D., Chair  
Loretto A. Brickfield, Ph.D., Vice Chair  
Daniel N. Watter, Ed.D., Secretary  
Robert Korwin, DMD (Public Member)  
Joanne VanNest, Ph.D.  
Amie Wolf-Mehlman, Ph.D.

**ABSENT:**

Francesca Peckman, Psy.D.  
Kenneth G. Roy, Ed.D.

**ALSO ATTENDING:**

J. Michael Walker, Executive Director  
Carmen A. Rodriguez, Deputy Attorney General, Counsel to Board

## **ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS "2012-2013"**

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:14B-13, the Board held Elections of Officers. Executive Director Walker opened the floor to nominations for the Election of Board Officers for 2012-2013.

*Upon motion made by Dr. Watter and seconded by Dr. Brickfield, **Nancy E. Friedman, Ph.D.**, was re-elected by acclamation to serve as **Chair**. Voting in favor of the motion: all.*

*Upon motion made by Dr. Watter and seconded by Dr. Korwin, **Loretto A. Brickfield, Ph.D.** was re-elected by acclamation to serve as **Vice Chair**. Voting in favor of the motion: all.*

*Upon motion made by Dr. Brickfield and seconded by Dr. Korwin, **Daniel N. Watter, Ed.D.** was elected by acclamation to serve as **Secretary**. Voting in favor of the motion: all.*

## **REVIEW OF MINUTES:**

*Upon motion made by Dr. Watter and seconded by Dr. Brickfield, the Board approved the public session minutes of May 7, 2012, with corrections. Voting in favor of the motion: all.*

## **CLOSED SESSION AND RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

*Upon unanimous vote of all members present, the Board went into closed session for discussion of the oral examinations. The Board returned to open session.*

## **CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT:**

### **TEMPORARY PERMIT–NOT TO EXCEED THREE YEARS**

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

*Sandra Ackerman, Ph.D.*

*Danielle Dubbioso, Psy.D.*

*Ricardo Martinez, Ph.D.*

*Renuka Tanna, Psy.D.*

*Corrinne Kalafut, Psy.D.*

### **TEMPORARY PERMIT–NOT TO EXCEED ONE YEAR**

*The following candidates were unanimously approved for a one-year **unsupervised** temporary permit to practice:*

*Yelena Goldin-Lauretta, Ph.D.*

*Scott Tessler, Psy.D.*

### **LICENSED BY EXAMINATION**

*Upon motion made by Dr. Watter and seconded by Dr. Brickfield, the following candidates qualified for licensure. Voting in favor of the motion: all.*

*Lisa Spano, Psy.D.*

*Cathryn Borders, Ph.D.*

*Josianna Cetta, Psy.D.*

*Jeane Rajacic-Poppe, Ph.D.*

*Lilline Adler, Psy.D.*

### **DEFERRAL OF LICENSURE**

*Upon motion made by Dr. Brickfield and seconded by Dr. Watter, the Board voted to defer final consideration of the oral examination for the following candidate pending submission and approval of a paper outlining the information a psychologist can share with a third-party provider (insurance company) under the Act Concerning the Disclosure of*

*Patient Information by Psychologists (a.k.a. New Jersey Peer Review Law). Voting in favor*

*of the motion: all.*

*David Fischer, Psy.D.*

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

### **Candice Kohler, Psy.D.**

Dr. Kohler wrote requesting an extension of the time to submit her work sample beyond the May 31, 2012 due date until the end of June. Dr. Kohler stated that she was almost finished but that unforeseen family crises had interrupted her.

*Upon motion made Dr. Brickfield and seconded by Dr. Watter, the Board voted to extend Dr. Kohler's deadline for submission of her work sample until June 30, 2012. Voting in favor of the motion: all.*

### **Lolalyn Clarke, Ph.D., TP #123-057**

Dr. Clarke wrote requesting that the Board accept the supervised hours she accrued in an exempt setting prior to the issuance of her three-year supervised temporary permit. She stated that when she received the initial application materials she was not informed that a permit was necessary to accrue supervised hours in an exempt setting.

*Upon motion made by Dr. Brickfield, seconded by Dr. Watter, the Board voted to deny Dr. Clarke's request. The Board reminded her that she had signed an affidavit stating that she had read the regulations as part of her application including N.J.A.C. 13:42-3.2(a) which requires that supervised hours be accrued under permit even in an exempt setting. Voting in favor of the motion: all.*

### **Coleen Vanderbeek, Psy.D. TP #083-911**

Dr. Vanderbeek wrote requesting an extension of her three-year supervised temporary permit beyond the May 16, 2012 expiration date.

Dr. Vanderbeek stated that she has spent extra time preparing to take the E.P.P.P. written examination for the second time. She plans to sit for the exam by the Fall of 2012.

*Upon motion made Dr. Brickfield and seconded by Dr. Watter, the Board voted to extend Dr. Vanderbeek's temporary permit for an additional year. Dr. Vanderbeek will be*

*advised that her temporary permit will now expire on May 16, 2013. Voting in favor of the motion: all.*

**Erin Walker, Ph.D. TP#093-003**

Dr. Walker wrote requesting an extension of her three-year supervised temporary permit beyond the June 23, 2012 expiration date. Dr. Walker stated that she is still in the process of studying for the E.P.P.P. written examination.

*Upon motion made Dr. Brickfield and seconded by Dr. Watter, the Board voted to extend Dr. Walker's temporary permit for an additional year. Dr. Walker will be advised that her temporary permit will now expire on June 23, 2013. Voting in favor of the motion: all.*

**Josephine Minardo, Psy.D. of N.J.P.A.**

Dr. Minardo wrote an email questioning how the Board would handle an applicant from a state that did not require post-doctoral supervised experience. The candidate would accrue all of the supervision prior to receiving the doctorate. She asked if the candidate would be eligible for the one-year unsupervised permit or would have to complete post-doctoral hours under supervision.

*Upon motion by Dr. Watter, seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman the Board voted to inform her of the requirement that half of the supervision must be completed subsequent to receiving the doctoral degree. The requirement is statutory pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:14B-17(b). The candidate would have to complete supervised hours under a three-year supervised permit subsequent to receiving the doctorate. Voting in favor of the motion: all.*

**Walden University**

Walden University presented material concerning the doctoral programs in counseling psychology and clinical psychology offered through a blended program of online study and residence study. Successful completion of the counseling program requires 160 total quarter credit hours of graduate study and 159 total quarter credit hours of graduate study for the degree in clinical psychology. The normal course load is two courses per quarter of 5 quarter credits each. Nine days each quarter are spent in residence.

Walden is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and a member of the North Central Association and all faculty are doctorally prepared in psychology.

*Upon motion by Dr. Korwin, seconded by Dr. Watter, the Board voted to ask Dr. Marilyn Powell, Associate Dean for the Psychology Program at Walden University, to provide additional information. The Board requested information concerning the Higher*

*Learning Commission standard for the number of hours required for each quarter, a schedule for the nine days of residence for all four quarters and why Walden feels it would not meet American Psychological Association standards for accreditation since they have accredited at least one other program that is predominantly on line. The Board also asked if Walden had been turned down for accreditation by the American Psychological Association. Voting in favor of the motion: all.*

### **Email inquiry from Lisa Albright**

Ms. Albright wrote to inquire if a licensed psychologist can be employed by a professional corporation whose sole shareholder is a licensee of another mental health board (in this case, a Licensed Clinical Social Worker) provided that the employed psychologist retains all responsibility for the provisions of psychological services to clients.

*Upon motion by Dr. Watter, seconded by Dr. Brickfield, the board voted to inform Ms. Albright that such a business arrangement would be acceptable pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:42-7.2. Voting in favor of the motion: all.*

### **Neena Kumar, Psy.D.**

Dr. Kumar wrote to request a 90-day extension for the submission of her work sample due July 26, 2012. Dr. Kumar stated that she has not been able to devote the time necessary to prepare the work sample because of family responsibilities.

*Upon motion by Dr. Brickfield, seconded by Dr. Watter, the Board voted to extend the deadline for submission of Dr. Kumar's work sample until October 26, 2012. Voting in favor of the motion: all.*

### **Donald Cassidy, Ph.D. TP #111-A004**

In a letter dated May 22, 2012, Dr. Cassidy requested an extension of his permit which expired on March 30, 2012. Dr. Cassidy will be submitting his work sample soon.

*Upon motion by Dr. Brickfield, seconded by Dr. Watter, the Board voted to extend the permit for a year from the March 30, 2012 due date. Dr. Cassidy will be informed that his permit will expire on March 30, 2013. Voting in favor of the motion: all.*

### **Stephen Haran, Psy.D. TP#073-773**

Dr. Haran wrote requesting that his three-year temporary supervised permit be

extended past the June 7, 2012 expiration date. Dr. Haran stated that he had not had ample time to prepare for the E.P.P.P. written examination.

*Upon motion by Dr. Brickfield, seconded by Dr. Watter, the Board voted to extend Dr. Haran's temporary permit for a year contingent upon taking the E.P.P.P. written examination by July 31, 2012. Dr. Haran will be informed that his permit will now expire on June 7, 2013. Voting in favor of the motion: all.*

### **REPORT ON PERMIT CONFERENCES HELD ON JUNE 4, 2012**

No candidates were present for permit conferences.

APPROVED BY:

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Date: Nancy E. Friedman, Ph.D.  
**Chair**