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NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS **MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2015**

PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

I. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

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, 6th floor on Monday, August 3, 2015 at 9:50 A.M. Nancy E. Friedman, Ph.D., Board Chair, opened the meeting by reading the following opening statement:

In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mail to the Office of the Secretary of the State of New Jersey, The Star Ledger, The Trenton Times, The Record and the Courier Post.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Nancy E. Friedman, Ph.D., Chair
Loretto A. Brickfield, Ph.D., Vice-Chair
Amie Wolf-Mehlman, Ph.D., Secretary
Sean Evers, Ph.D., Board Member
Anne R. Farrar-Anton, Ph.D., Board Member
Michael A. Siglag, Ph.D., Board Member
Valerie D. Scott, Ed.D., Board Member

Absent:

Alan Groveman, Ph.D., Board Member

Also Attending:

Carmen A. Rodriguez, Deputy Attorney General, Counsel to the Board
J. Michael Walker, Executive Director
ToniAnn Petrella-Diaz, Government Representative

III. REVIEW OF OPEN SESSION MINUTES

The Board reviewed the May 4, 2015 open session minutes.

Upon motion made by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman and seconded by Dr. Brickfield, the Board voted to approve the public session minutes for May 4, 2015 as amended. Voting in favor: all.

The Board reviewed the June 8, 2015 open session minutes.

Upon motion made by Dr. Brickfield, and seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to table the June 8, 2015 minutes for review at the October 5, 2015 meeting. Voting in favor: all.

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Dr. Walker and the Board will send a letter to Dr. Francesca Peckman to thank her for her time served on the Board and wish her well.

V. REPORT ON JURISPRUDENCE EXAMINATIONS

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

LICENSED BY EXAMINATION

Upon motion made by Dr. Brickfield and seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the following candidates qualified for licensure. Voting in favor: all.

June 23, 2015 9:30 A.M. Jurisprudence Examination

David Goldstein, Psy.D.

Binyamin Goldman, Psy.D.

Emel Erel, Psy.D.

Karen Bridbord, Ph.D.

Yevgeniya Ratnovsky, Ph.D.

Antoinette Moore, Ph.D.

Elizabeth Saslow, Ph.D.

Sherley Saget-Manager, Psy.D.

Claire Oxtoby, Ph.D.

July 22, 2015 9:30 P.M. Jurisprudence Examination

Kelly Zanetich, Ph.D.

Shauna Luricella, Ph.D.

Ann McDonald, Psy.D.

Megan Chesin, Ph.D.

Catherine O'Sullivan, Psy.D.

Kristen Labin Bekelja, Psy.D.

Katherine Loeb, Ph.D.

Melissa DeLuca, Psy.D.

Aleta Angelosante, Ph.D.

VI. REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY PERMIT

*Upon motion made by Dr. Brickfield, and seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the following candidates were unanimously approved for the three-year temporary permit for the **supervised** practice of psychology. Voting in favor: all.*

Ashley Dombrowski, Psy.D.

Michelle Wankmuller, Ph.D.

Elizabeth Foster, Ph.D.

Ivy Grace Durant, Psy.D.

Elizabeth Stilwell, Psy.D.

Thomas Massarelli, Ph.D.

Maria LaPorta, Psy.D.

Deborah Adams, Ph.D.

*Robin Fierstein, Psy.D.
Kristine Hodshon, Psy.D.*

Dana Kaspereen, Ph.D.

*Upon motion made by Dr. Brickfield, and seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the following candidates were unanimously approved for the one-year temporary permit for the **unsupervised** practice of psychology. Voting in favor: all.*

Courtney Henry, Ph.D.

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Letter from Rachel Gerstein, Ph.D.

The Board reviewed the letter from Dr. Gerstein requesting teletherapy with a patient who is moving from New York to New Jersey.

Upon motion made by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, and seconded by Dr. Brickfield, the Board voted to send Dr. Gerstein a letter informing her that she may not provide psychotherapy in the state of New Jersey (NJ) without being licensed in NJ. The Board will also remind Dr. Gerstein that once she is licensed to practice, she must ensure that the teletherapy is HIPPA compliant. Voting in favor: all.

B. Letter from Alexander Mondrow, Psy.D., TP# 113-017

The Board reviewed the letter from Dr. Mondrow requesting an extension of his 3-year temporary permit, which expired on March 18, 2015.

Upon motion made by Dr. Brickfield, and seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to extend Dr. Mondrow's temporary permit for an additional year to complete his hours, as his previous hours were rejected because they were completed before Dr. Mondrow was under permit. Voting in favor: all.

C. Letter from Mary E. O'Dowd, MPH Commissioner

The Board reviewed a letter from Ms. O'Dowd regarding the Medicinal Marijuana Program Review Panel which requested experienced psychologist for the panel.

Upon motion made by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, and seconded by Dr. Brickfield, the Board voted to accept this as informational, as there are no recommendations to be made at this time. Voting in favor: all.

D. Letter from Krista Kalkreuth, Psy.D., TP# 143-084

The Board reviewed the letter from Dr. Kalkreuth requesting approval of supervision hours accrued prior to the approval of her supervisor.

Upon motion made by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, and seconded by Dr. Brickfield, the Board voted to inform Dr. Kalkreuth that her supervised hours are approved as of June 9, 2015, and any hours accrued prior to the approval of her supervisor cannot be approved. Voting in favor: all.

E. Letter from Kenneth Welsh, Ph.D., TP# 103-014

The Board reviewed the letter from Dr. Welsh requesting an extension of his 3-year permit, which will expired on July 1, 2015.

Upon motion made by Dr. Brickfield, and seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted

to ask Dr. Welsh for additional information for the extension prior to making a determination. Dr. Welsh will be sent a letter asking him for the number of hours accrued thus far, and why he was unable to complete them in the three (3) years time. Voting in favor: all.

F. Letter from Jennifer Blau, Psy.D., TP# 123-074

The Board reviewed the letter from Dr. Blau requesting an extension to her 3-year permit, which will expire on September 18, 2015.

Upon motion made by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, and seconded by Dr. Brickfield, the Board voted to send Dr. Blau a letter for clarification on her request. The Board is informing Dr. Blau that she has the option of putting her permit on inactive status if she does not intend to go to work, or she may have a one (1) year extension on her permit. Voting in favor: all.

G. Email from Nicole Martin, MPH, Esq.

The Board reviewed the email from Ms. Martin regarding corporate practice of medicine for psychologists.

At the time of this meeting, Ms. Martin had withdrawn her request.

H. George Ackley, Ph.D., signed Consent Order

The Board reviewed the signed Consent Order for Dr. Ackley.

The Board accepted this as informational.

I. Stephanie Polishook, Psy.D., TP# 073-840

The Board reviewed the letter from Dr. Polishook requesting another extension to her 3-year permit, which expired on June 3, 2015.

Upon motion made by Dr. Brickfield, and seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to deny Dr. Polishook's request for a permit extension pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:14 B-6 f), and that the purpose of a permit is to accrue hours towards licensure, not to exceed three years without showing good cause. The Board is also informing Dr. Polishook that she has one month from receipt of the letter to cease work with her clients. Going forward, Dr. Polishook may work in an exempt setting, however she may not continue to practice psychology in a private setting without a license. Voting in favor: all.

VIII. REPORT ON PERMIT CONFERENCES

A. Anna Maleson, Ph.D./ David Buckley, Ph.D., supervisor

Dr. Maleson appeared before a committee of the Board to discuss her plan for retaking the E.P.P.P. examination. *Upon motion by Dr. Brickfield, and seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to approve Dr. Maleson's plan for retaking the E.P.P.P. in January, with no changes made to current caseload. Voting in favor: all.*

Dr. Siglag recused due to a professional relationship.

B. Michelle Victoria Ph.D./ Ange Puig, Ph.D., supervisor

Dr. Victoria appeared before a committee of the Board to discuss her plan for retaking the E.P.P.P. examination. *Upon motion by Dr. Brickfield, and seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to approve Dr. Victoria's plan for retaking the E.P.P.P. exam in September, with no changes to current caseload. Voting in favor: all.*

IX. PUBLIC DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

A. I/M/O Alice Eaton, Ed.D., #1329

The Board reviewed the offer settlement in lieu of filing a formal disciplinary complaint with regard to Dr. Eaton.

The Board accepted this as informational.

X. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Dennis Finger, Ed.D., New Jersey Psychological Association (NJPA)

Dr. Finger was present, but did not comment.

XI. MEETING DATES FOR 2015

*October 5, 2015
November 2, 2015
December 7, 2015*

XII. MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Dr. Evers, seconded by Dr. Farrar-Anton, the Board moved to Executive Session at 11:25 a.m. to discuss consumer complaints and potential disciplinary actions.

Voting in favor all.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, seconded by Dr. Farrar-Anton, the Board voted to return to Public Session. The meeting was adjourned at 3:37 p.m. Voting in favor: all.