

State Board of Psychological Examiners

December 3, 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, Newark, NJ. 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., Vice Chair
Margery B. Manheim, Ph.D.
T. Stephen Patterson, Ph.D., Government Member
Jeffry H. Tindall, Ph.D.
Keith D. Cicerone, Ph.D.
Carol Harper, RN, Public Member
Debra Eckert-Casha, Esq., Public Member

ABSENT:

Kenneth A. Leight, Ph.D., Secretary
Mark Glat, Psy.D.

ALSO ATTENDING:

Paul C. Brush, Executive Director
Kathy Rohr, S.D.A.G., Counsel to Board
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 EXAMINATION

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

Karen J. Lazar, Ph.D.
Gillian Messinger, Ph.D.
Carol S. Marcus, Ph.D.

Richard Gaines, Ph.D.
Elias Fernandez, Ph.D.

TEMPORARY PERMIT-NOT TO EXCEED THREE YEARS

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

Leon Neubauer, Ph.D.
Kerri Weiss, Ph.D.
Dan Baugess, Ph.D.
Barbara Kelly, Ph.D.
Joy L. Huston, Ph.D.
Robyn Heller, Ph.D.

CORRESPONDENCE

Karen B. Davenport, Ph.D.

Dr. Davenport wrote requesting an extension of the 90-day limit to submit her work sample for the oral examination.

Dr. Davenport stated that because of her relocation to New Jersey and living in temporary housing with her personal items, she has not been able to access material needed to complete her work sample.

Upon motion made by Dr. Manheim and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board voted to grant Dr. Davenport a one-month extension to submit her work sample for the oral examination. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Douglas Stewart, Psy.D., #3931

Dr. Stewart wrote requesting a waiver of N.J.A.C. 13:42-9.3 (a)2 from listing his street address on his business cards and professional stationery.

Dr. Stewart stated that he will be practicing exclusively in long-term care and assisted living facilities and therefore will not be providing services out of a single office address.

Upon motion made by Dr. Manheim and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board voted to grant Dr. Stewart a waiver from listing his street address on his business cards and professional stationery. However, the Board informed Dr. Stewart that his phone number and license number must appear on his letterhead. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Christie Pattie-Kokonos, Psy.D.

Dr. Pattie-Kokonos currently has a three-year temporary permit, supervised, and is requesting the issuance of a one-year temporary permit, unsupervised, since she is now licensed in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and has met all of the licensure requirements in New Jersey other than the oral examination.

The Board reviewed her specific written plan for the practice of psychology in the State during the one-year term of unsupervised practice.

Upon motion made by Dr. Manheim and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board voted to grant Dr. Pattie-Kokonos a one-year temporary, unsupervised. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

John C. Garrett, Ph.D.

Dr. Garrett wrote requesting an extension of his three-year temporary permit, supervised, which expired on November 13, 2001. Dr. Garrett's work sample was received in the Board office on November 20, 2001.

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

Nanette Sudler, Ph.D.

Dr. Sudler wrote requesting an extension of her three-year temporary permit, supervised, which expires on December 26, 2001.

Dr. Sudler stated that she expects to complete her supervised hours early this month and hopes to submit her work sample for the oral examination without delay.

Upon motion made by Dr. Manheim and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board voted to extend Dr. Sudler's permit until June 30, 2002 during which time she must complete the oral examination process. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Joseph Buonadonna, Sr., Ph.D.

Dr. Buonadonna wrote requesting that the supervision restriction placed on him as a result of failing his first oral examination be removed.

Dr. Buonadonna stated that he has submitted his work sample to the Board office and is currently waiting to be scheduled for his second oral examination.

Upon motion made by Dr. Manheim and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board voted to deny Dr. Buonadonna's request to have the supervision restriction removed. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Constance L. Brown, Psy.D.

Dr. Brown currently has a three-year temporary permit, supervised, and is requesting the issuance of a one-year temporary permit, unsupervised, since she is now licensed in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and has met all of the licensure requirements in New Jersey other than the oral examination.

Upon motion made by Dr. Manheim and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board voted to grant Dr. Brown a one-year temporary permit ,unsupervised. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Letter from Rosaline T. Fleming, APN

Ms. Fleming, a committee member of the Office of Utilization Management wrote requesting information on a psychologist's role with regards to seclusion and restraints of clients.

Ms. Fleming asked the Board the following questions:

Can a psychologist give verbal/written orders for these procedures? Which staff are authorized to accept verbal/written orders from a psychologist? Can the psychologist execute verbal/written or telephone orders by a psychiatrist? And what is the scope of practice for a psychologist regarding seclusion and restraint?

Upon motion made and seconded, the Board voted to inform Ms. Fleming that it appears to the Board that it would not be within the scope of a psychologist in private practice to order restraints. However, a

psychologist working in the Division of Developmental Disabilities, a state facility, with training and certification in Qualified Mental Retardation Professional [QMRP] would be able to order restraints. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

REVIEW OF EXEMPTION NOTICE FORMS

Center for Evaluation and Counseling

The Board reviewed the additional information submitted by Margaret Pitaluga, MSW, LCSW.

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 45:14B-6(a)3, after review of the additional information provided in the exemption notice form, upon motion made by Dr. Manheim and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board determined that the Center for Evaluation and Counseling is considered an exempt facility. Ms. Pitaluga 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.

Family and Social Service Federation

The Board reviewed an exemption notice form from Mitchell Schonfeld at Family and Social Service Federation.

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 45:15b-6(a)3, after review of the information provided in the exemption notice form, upon motion made by Dr. Manheim and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board determined that Family and Social Service Federation 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 Mr. Schonfeld provide the Board with its Fiscal 2002 budget figures. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Judicial Committee

Ms. Eckert-Casha reported that she spoke with Mr. Bill Woodworth regarding a follow up meeting in the new year.

Newsletter Committee

DAG Rohr reported that she received a draft of the newsletter and noted some minor corrections to be made.

Insurance Committee

Dr. Tindall reported that nothing is currently happening with the Insurance Reform Act.

Telepractice Committee

Dr. Leight reported that nothing is currently happening.

Regulation Committee

The committee members reported that their next meeting is scheduled for January 2002. Dr. Roy commended the committee for the fine job they've done.

Oral Examination Committee

The committee recommended that the Board consider contracting with a testing consultant to review the Board's existing oral examination procedure, all of its current examination material, and provide written report to the Board of the findings.

Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Tindall, the Board voted to approve the committee's recommendation to request the services of Measurement Research Associates, Inc. for reviewing the Board's oral examination process.

The Board directed Executive Director Brush to contact Measurement Research Associates, Inc. and discuss its proposed plan and request a written proposal for the Board's review.

Additionally, Dr. Roy encouraged the committee to meet regularly to discuss the Board's current oral examination material.

REVIEW OF DISCIPLINARY MATTERS

I/M/O John Rathouser, Ph.D., #1394

Thomas Johnson, Ed.D. submitted his first monthly report to the Board on his supervision of Dr. Rathouser.

I/M/O Andrew Cangelosi, Ph.D., #3118

Dr. Cangelosi wrote the Board requesting modifications of the Board's Reinstatement Order filed on November 28, 2000.

Thomas Johnson, Ed.D., supervisor for Dr. Cangelosi's, wrote supporting Dr. Cangelosi's request for modifications of the Board's Reinstatement Order; however, Dr. Johnson had some additional concerns.

The Board reviewed Dr. Johnson's letter and upon motion made by Dr. Manheim and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board voted to grant the modifications requested by Dr. Johnson and to approve Dr. Cangelosi working with couples. Additionally, Dr. Cangelosi will be so advised that the Board has granted modification of its Reinstatement Order which would now allow him to work with couples. The restriction with working with females remains in effect pursuant to the Reinstatement Order. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

I/M/O Marshall Levine, Ph.D., #1139

Dr. Handelman, supervisor for Dr. Levine, wrote to inform the Board that from the date the Board approved his role as supervisor until now, Dr. Levine has not scheduled any client session.

However, Dr. Levine has just notified him that he will begin seeing a male client for therapy. Dr. Handelman stated that he met with Dr. Levine to discuss the prospective client.

Dr. Handelman has informed the Board that he will schedule the required ongoing supervisory sessions as long as Dr. Levine is engaged in working with clients.

Upon motion made by Dr. Manheim and seconded by Dr. Jeffers, the Board thanked Dr. Handelman the updated information.

ASSOCIATION CONFERENCES

New Jersey Psychological Association

Dr. Roy reported that NJPA will be holding its Spring Conference on Saturday, April 13, 2002. Dr. Roy is requesting that the Vice Chair, Secretary, and Board counsel to attend.

Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards

ASPPB's Midwinter Meeting will be held on February 21-23, 2002 in Orlando, Florida.

Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Tindall, the Board approved the attendance of Kenneth Roy, Ed.D., Victoria Jeffers, Ph.D., and Executive Director Brush at the Midwinter Meeting.

APPROVED BY:

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

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