

**NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS
MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2013**

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, June 3, 2013. At 10:03 a.m. Chair, Dr. Nancy Friedman opened the meeting by reading the following opening statement:

In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, more commonly referred to as 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 Bergen Record and the Courier Post.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Nancy E. Friedman, Ph.D, Chair
Loretto A. Brickfield, Ph.D, Vice Chair
Francesca Peckman, Psy.D
Amie Wolf-Mehlman, Ph.D, Secretary

Absent:

Joanne Van Nest, Ph.D

Also Attending:

Carmen A. Rodriguez, Deputy Attorney General, Counsel to the Board
J. Michael Walker, Executive Director
Michela Ross, Government Rep
Wanda Ginn, Administrative Staff

III. REVIEW OF OPEN SESSION MINUTES

A. May 6, 2013 Public Minutes

Upon motion by Dr. Brickfield, seconded by Dr. Peckman, the Board voted to approve the May 6, 2013 public minutes as corrected. Voting in favor: all.

B. November 5, 2012 Public Minutes

Upon motion by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, seconded by Dr. Peckman, the Board voted to approve the November 5, 2013 public minutes as corrected. Voting in favor: all.

Board Chair, Nancy Friedman called for a moment of silence in honor of long time Board member, Dr. Kenneth G. Roy, Ed.D at 10:08 a.m.

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director, Michael Walker reported that as of today, the Board is no longer accepting work samples for the oral examination as the Board moves ahead with the jurisprudence examination.

V. REPORT ON ORAL EXAMINATIONS

Upon unanimous vote of all the members present, the Board went into closed session for discussion of the oral examinations. Upon motion by Dr. Peckman, seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board determined to approve the oral examination results. Voting in favor: all. The Board returned to open session.

LICENSED BY EXAMINATION

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

*Rebecca Hye, Psy.D
Karelyn Gonzalez-Cruz, Ph.D
Jennifer Mautone, Ph.D*

*Cesar A. Leon, Ph.D
Veronica Horenstein, Ph.D
Jayme Jacobs, Psy.D*

VI. REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY PERMIT

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

*Darah Lynn, Ph.D
Ivan Lamourt, Psy.D
Audra Schulman, Ph.D*

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

Glen Skoler, Ph.D

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Susanna Carew, Psy.D TP #083-912

The Board reviewed Dr. Carew's May 9, 2013 letter requesting an extension of her three-year supervised temporary permit beyond the May 19, 2013 expiration date in order that she could prepare for the jurisprudence examination. *Upon motion by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, seconded by Dr. Peckman the Board voted to extend Dr. Carew's permit for one year. Dr. Carew will be informed her permit will expire on May 19, 2014. Voting in favor all.*

B. Nina Cooperman, Psy.D, TP #033-353

The Board reviewed Dr. Cooperman's letter dated April 30, 2013 requesting to use towards the required hours a total of 500 hours she accrued in New York designing and writing a manual for an intervention to help HIV-infected individuals in addiction treatment become adherent to their anti-retroviral medications. *Upon motion by Dr. Brickfield, seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to deny Dr. Cooperman's request to use these hours towards the client contact hour requirement because they did not involve direct client contact. Voting in favor all.*

C. Jonathon Pastor, Psy.D, #4606

The Board reviewed Dr. Pastor's April 30, 2013 email inquiring if psychologists can sign off on other peoples' notes that contain medical information. *Upon motion by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, seconded by Dr. Peckman, the Board voted to inform Dr. Pastor that psychological and medical notes should be kept separate and psychologists should not sign off on medical documentation. Voting in favor: all.*

VIII. REPORT ON PERMIT CONFERENCES HELD ON JUNE 3, 2013

A. Stephanie Polishook, Psy.D/Mathias Hagovsky, Ph.D., supervisor

Dr. Polishook was seen in permit conference to discuss her plan for taking the E.P.P.P. written examination. *Upon motion by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, seconded by Dr. Peckman, the Board voted to extend Dr. Polishook's permit for one year contingent upon her taking the E.P.P.P by August 31, 2013. The Board did not recommend any changes to Dr. Polishook's case load. Dr. Polishook will be informed that her permit will expire on June 3, 2014. Voting in favor: all.*

B. Adam Fried, Ph.D/Loren Amsell, Ph.D., supervisor

Dr. Fried was seen in permit conference to discuss his failure to renew his permit before it expired. *Upon motion by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, seconded by Dr. Peckman, the Board voted to extend Dr. Fried's permit for six months in order to take the jurisprudence examination. The Board did not extend a penalty because he rectified the situation within thirty (30) days. Dr. Fried will be informed that his permit will now expire on December 3, 2013. Voting in favor: all.*

C. Jon Lyman, Psy.D/Victoria Width, Ph.D., supervisor

Dr. Lyman came before the Board to discuss his plan for taking and passing the E.P.P.P. written examination. *Upon motion by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, seconded by Dr. Peckman, the Board voted to recommend Dr. Lyman continue with his newly reduced caseload and take the exam by August 31, 2013. Voting in favor: all.*

D. Eliza Battle, Psy.D/Julie Lippmann, Psy.D., supervisor

Dr. Battle came before the Board to discuss her plan for taking and passing the E.P.P.P. written examination. *Upon motion by Dr. Peckman, seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to extend Dr. Battle's permit for one year. The Board also voted to grant Dr. Battle extra time to take the exam because English is not her first language. The Board also recommended that Dr. Battle reduce her caseload from 14 to 10 clients. Dr. Battle will be informed that her permit will expire on September 22, 2014. Voting in favor: all.*

IX. PUBLIC DISCIPLINARY MATTERS

A. Thomas PlaHovinsack, Ph.D #2796

The Board reviewed Dr. Thomas Frio's April 29, 2013 quarterly report regarding his supervision of Dr. PlaHovinsack. *The Board accepted this as informational.*

B. David Berkovitz, Ph.D., #3119

The Board reviewed Dr. Berkovitz's February 25, 2013 letter requesting to come before the Board with the hope of completing the terms of his Consent Order and Dr. Gerald Fishbein's letter of March 30, 2013 regarding his supervision of Dr. Berkovitz. *Upon motion by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, seconded by Dr. Peckman, the Board voted to schedule Dr. Berkovitz for a conference before the full Board on July 1, 2013. Voting in favor: all.*

C. Nancy Gallina, Ph.D., #2831

The Board reviewed Dr. Michael D'Anton's May 8, 2013 quarterly report regarding his supervision of Dr. Gallina. *The Board accepted this as informational.*

D. Susan J. Fuls, Ph.D., #2831

The Board reviewed the curriculum vitae of three proposed supervisors as required per Dr. Fuls' February 2013 Consent Order. *Upon motion by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, seconded by Dr. Peckman, the Board voted to approve Dorothy Cantor, Psy.D as Dr. Fuls' supervisor. Voting in favor: all.*

E. Samuelle Klein-von Reiche, Psy.D., #3246

The Board reviewed Dr. Elizabeth Groisser's April 15, 2013 letter regarding Dr. Klein-von Reiche's supervision. *Upon motion by Dr. Brickfield, seconded by Dr. Peckman, the Board voted to send Dr. Groisser information regarding Dr. Klein von-Reiche's website for her review in light of concerns detailed in Dr. Klein von-Reiche's Consent Order. Dr.*

Wolf-Mehlman was recused because she was Dr. Klein-von Reiche's previous supervisor.

X. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public were present.

XI. MEETING DATES FOR 2013

July 1, 2013

October 7, 2013

September 9, 2013

November 4, 2013

December 2, 2013

XII. MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Dr. Brickfield seconded by Dr. Peckman, the Board moved to Executive Session at 11:47 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. Peckman, the Board voted to return to Public Session. The meeting was adjourned at 3:49 p.m. Voting in favor: all.

Respectfully submitted,

Amie Wolf-Mehlman, Ph.D.
Secretary

APPROVED BY:

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