

**NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 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, 6<sup>th</sup> floor, on Monday, September 9, 2013. At 10:17 a.m. Vice-Chair, Dr. Loretto A. Brickfield 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 Record and the Courier Post.

**II. ROLL CALL**

**Present:**

Loretto A. Brickfield, Ph.D, Vice-Chair  
Francesca Peckman, Psy.D  
Amie Wolf-Mehlman, Ph.D, Secretary  
Joanne Van Nest, Ph.D

**Absent:**

Nancy E. Friedman, Ph.D, Chair

**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. July 1, 2013 Public Minutes**

*Upon motion by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, seconded by Dr. Van Nest, the Board voted to approve the July 1, 2013 public minutes as corrected. Voting in favor: all.*

**IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director Walker informed the Board that he has been named as a defendant in a lawsuit together with Governor Christie, Director of Consumer Affairs Eric Kanefsky, Executive Director of the Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners and the former president of the Board of Medical Examiners. The lawsuit, filed in Federal

District Court, seeks to overturn the new law banning sexual orientation change efforts for minors conducted by licensees on constitutional grounds.

Executive Director, Michael Walker reported that forty-seven (47) applicants have taken and passed the jurisprudence examination. *Upon motion by Dr. Van Nest, seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to allow Board staff to notify applicants of their test scores within a few days of completion and license upon passing the exam, completing the final paperwork and submitting the final payment for licensure.*

#### **V. REPORT ON ORAL EXAMINATIONS**

*Upon unanimous vote of all the members present, the Board went into Executive session for discussion of the oral examinations. Upon motion by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, seconded by Dr. Van Nest, 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. Van Nest the following candidates qualified for licensure. Voting in favor: all.*

##### ***Oral Examinations***

##### ***July 2013***

*Rachel Miller, Psy.D*

*Lina Harris, Psy.D*

*Janet Bloodgood, Ph.D*

*Irwin Shindler, Psy.D*

*Shawn Ewbank, Psy.D*

*Glen Skoler, Ph.D*

*Azilde Sanchez, Ph.D*

*Megan Toomey-Lynch, Psy.D*

##### ***Jurisprudence Examinations***

##### ***Monday, August 12, 2013***

*Vidal Annan, Jr., Ph.D*

*Donald Cassidy, Ph.D*

*Debra Bashist, Ph.D*

*Christine Duprey, Psy.D*

*David Bromberg, Psy.D*

*Brian Kaufman, Psy.D*

*Tricia Byard, Psy.D*

*Dayna Zatina Egan, Psy.D*

*Lisa Issa, Ph.D*

*Tina Snider, Ph.D*

*Ruben Lambert, Psy.D*

*Claudia Viggiano, Psy.D*

*Dana Lau, Psy.D*

*Shari Welsh, Psy.D*

*Miriam Matz, Psy.D*

***Jurisprudence Examinations***

***Monday, August 26, 2013***

*Lynday Ackerman, Psy.D*

*Edward Hoffman, Ph.D*

*Kirsten Byrnes, Psy.D*

*Eunae Kim, Ph.D*

*Stephanie Dowd, Psy.D*

*Dawn McDonald, Psy.D*

*Jason Gold, Ph.D*

*Josephine Minardo, Psy.D*

*Marisol Habrahanshon, Psy.D*

*Erica Pass, Psy.D*

*Jessica Arenella, Ph.D*

*Mitchell Liss, Psy.D*

*Lisa Ciraco, Psy.D*

*Kathleen McNulty, Ph.D*

*Jeanette Martucci, Psy.D*

*Jacquelyn Doran-Cunningham, Ph.D*

*Elana Goldmintz-Gotfried, Psy.D*

*Donna Phair, Ph.D*

*Melissa Klika-Mack, Psy.D*

*Samuel Tuttle, Psy.D*

*Peter Lazzaro, Ph.D*

*Rebecca Whitten, Psy.D*

***Jurisprudence Examinations***

***Wednesday, August 28, 2013***

*Herbert Bilick, Ph.D*

*Rebecca Mischel, Psy.D*

*Melissa Hartke, Psy.D*

*Kimberly Painter, Ph.D*

*Michael Jordan, Ph.D*

*John Pappas, Ph.D*

*Monica Malone, Psy.D*

*Stephanie Tsai-Kim, Psy.D*

*Lauren Mayesfsky, Ph.D*

*Wei Yan, Ph.D*

**VI. REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY PERMIT**

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

*Jason Ruch, Ph.D*

*Irne Ngai, Ph.D*

*Ewa Lavin, Psy.D*

*Stephanie Rabin, Ph.D*

*Craig Indellicati, Ph.D*

*Catherine Nowcid, Psy.D*

*Lindsay Solotruk, Psy.D*

*Cristina Shaheen, Psy.D*

*Kelly Swigart, Psy.D*

*Jennifer Hernandez, Psy.D*

*Michelle Sheperd Combs, Psy.D*

*Meredith Mahaoney, Psy.D*

*Sarah White, Psy.D*

*Deniz Kalyon, Psy.D*

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

*Anna Rewinkel-Morfe, Psy.D*

*Lauren Mayefsky, Ph.D*

*Rena Goldin, Psy.D*

*Tashekah Smith, Psy.D*

## **VII. CORRESPONDENCE**

### **A. Sharese Dawes, Ph.D, TP #113-700**

The Board reviewed Dr. Dawes' June 10, 2013 letter requesting an extension of her three-year supervised temporary permit beyond the September 9, 2013 expiration date in order to complete licensing requirements. *Upon motion by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, seconded by Dr. Van Nest, the Board voted to inquire how many hours Dr. Dawes has accrued under her three supervisors. The Board voted to extend Dr. Dawes' permit until its October 7, 2013 meeting. Dr. Dawes will be informed that her permit will expire on October 7, 2013. Voting in favor all.*

### **B. Veronica Lenzi, Ph.D., TP #093-993**

The Board reviewed Dr. Lenzi's July 8, 2013 and August 26, 2013 letters regarding a malfunction at the Prometric Testing Center causing her to fail the E.P.P.P. and Prometric's acknowledgment of the testing site's failure and subsequent offer of a free re-test for the exam. *Upon motion by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, seconded by Dr. Peckman, the Board voted to table Dr. Lenzi's matter until she re-takes the E.P.P.P. Her September 9, 2013 permit conference was canceled due to the pending matter. Voting in favor all.*

### **C. Samarra Brodbeck, Psy.D., TP #083-868**

The Board reviewed Dr. Brodbeck's August 14, 2013 letter requesting an extension of her

three-year supervised temporary permit beyond the September 9, 2013 expiration date in order to take the jurisprudence examination and E.P.P.P. *Upon motion by Dr. Van Nest, seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to extend Dr. Brodbeck's permit for one year, contingent upon her taking the E.P.P.P examination by December 31, 2013. Dr. Brodbeck will be informed that her permit will expire on September 9, 2014. Voting in favor all.*

**D. Darren Caffery, Ph.D., TP #083-868**

The Board reviewed Dr. Caffery's June 10, 2013 letter requesting an extension to take the E.P.P.P after the Board's July 31, 2013 deadline. *Upon motion by Dr. Van Nest, seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to extend Dr. Caffery's deadline to take the E.P.P.P. to November 26, 2013. Voting in favor: all.*

**E. Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB)**

The Board reviewed Ms. Karen Messer-Engel's July 29, 2013 letter informing the Board of proposed amendments to the ASPPB bylaws. *The Board accepted this as informational.*

**F. Donica J. Romeo, Ph.D., #123-111**

The Board reviewed Dr. Romeo's August 9, 2013 letter requesting Board approval of hours accrued before the issuance of her permit. *Upon motion by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, seconded by Dr. Peckman the Board voted to deny Dr. Romeo's request and remind her that the completed application from her supervisor was dated December 27, 2012 and that was the date upon which her permit was issued.*

**G. Kimberly Groves, Psy.D., TP #103-059**

The Board reviewed Dr. Groves' letter requesting an extension of her three-year supervised temporary permit beyond the September 16, 2013 expiration date in order to sit for the E.P.P.P. *Upon motion by Dr. Van Nest, seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to extend Dr. Groves' permit for one (1) year contingent upon Dr. Groves taking the E.P.P.P by October 31, 2013. Dr. Groves will be informed that her permit will expire on September 16, 2014. Voting in favor all.*

**H. W. Michael Shea, III, Ph.D., TP #083-919**

The Board reviewed Dr. Shea's August 14, 2013 letter requesting an extension of his three-year supervised temporary permit beyond the September 7, 2013 expiration date in order to continue to accrue his supervision hours. Dr. Shea is also requesting to sit for the

E.P.P.P prior to the completion of his supervision hours. *Upon motion by Dr. Van Nest, seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to extend Dr. Shea's permit for one (1) year. Dr. Shea will be informed that his permit will expire on September 7, 2014. The Board also voted to inform Dr. Shea that he must complete his supervision hours prior to being granted approval to take the E.P.P.P. Voting in favor all.*

**I. Christopher Barbrack, Ph.D, Esq.**

The Board reviewed Dr. Barbrack's August 12, 2013 letter requesting clarification regarding HCDA electronic billing. *Upon motion by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, seconded by Dr. Van Nest, the Board voted to inform Dr. Barbrack that for electronic billing purposes the NPI number is acceptable on the HCDA. The Board also voted to inform Dr. Barbrack that on billing to the patient, a license number must be included. Concerning Dr. Barbrack's second question as to whether or not the Board agreed this is problematic, the Board had no comment. Voting in favor all.*

**J. Joshua Avondoglio, Ph.D, TP #133-094**

The Board reviewed Dr. Avondoglio's July 8, 2013 letter requesting Board approval of post-doctoral hours accrued without a permit. *Upon motion by Dr. Van Nest, seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to deny Dr. Avondoglio's request pursuant to N.J.A.C 13:42-3.2. Voting in favor: all.*

**K. Melissa DeLuca, Psy.D, TP #123-072**

The Board reviewed's Dr. DeLuca's August 5, 2013 letter requesting an extension of her three-year supervised temporary permit beyond the September 6, 2015 expiration date in order to complete her supervision hours. Mr. DeLuca explained that she has not been able to accrue supervision hours from mid-November 2012 through August 2013 due to being displaced by Hurricane Sandy. *Upon motion by Dr. Van Nest, seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to inform Dr. DeLuca to make this request closet to the date of expiration. Voting in favor: all.*

**L. Carissa Ferguson-Thomas, Psy.D, TP #103-081**

The Board reviewed Dr. Ferguson-Thomas' August 7, 2013 letter requesting an extension to take the E.P.P.P past the Board's October 31, 2013 deadline. *Upon motion by Dr. Van Nest, seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to extend Dr. Ferguson-Thomas' deadline to take the E.P.P.P. to January 31, 2014. Voting in favor: all.*

**M. Daniel Noll, Ph.D, TP#143-022**

The Board reviewed Dr. Noll's August 8, 2013 letter requesting that pre-doctoral supervision hours completed under a psychiatrist be counted towards the supervision hours required for licensure. *Upon motion by Dr. Peckman, seconded by Dr. Van Nest, the Board voted to deny Dr. Noll's request pursuant to N.J.A.C 13:42-4.2(a)2. Voting in favor: all.*

**N. Heather Brooke, Psy.D**

The Board reviewed Dr. Brooke's August 16, 2013 letter requesting to be a designated supervisor for court ordered family visitations. *Upon motion by Dr. Van Nest, seconded by Dr. Peckman, the Board voted to inform Dr. Brooke that she may act as a designated supervisor for court ordered family visitations if the responsibilities are only for observation but this will not count towards her clinical hours. The Board will also inform Dr. Brooke that she also cannot provide any services that are psychological in nature while serving as a court order supervisor. Voting in favor: all.*

**VIII. REPORT ON PERMIT CONFERENCES HELD ON SEPTEMBER 9, 2013**

**A. Mary Winzinger, Ph.D./Lee Monday, Ph.D., supervisor**

Dr. Winzinger was seen by a committee of the Board to discuss her plan for taking the E.P.P.P. written examination. *Upon motion by Dr. Van Nest, seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to extend Dr. Winzinger's permit for one year contingent upon her taking the E.P.P.P by March 31, 2014. The Board also recommended that Dr. Winzinger reduce her caseload to 15-20 clients a week. Dr. Winzinger will be informed that her permit will expire on September 14, 2014. Voting in favor: all.*

**B. Aida Lennon, Psy.D/Gerald Figurelli, Ph.D., supervisor**

Dr. Lennon was seen by a committee of the Board to discuss her 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 that Dr. Lennon obtain a Feedback by Role report for this administration of the written examination. Voting in favor: all.*

**C. Courtney Mattaei, Psy.D/Linda Knust, Psy.D., supervisor**

Dr. Mattaei did not attend her second scheduled permit conference. *Upon motion by Dr. Brickfield, seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to send Dr. Mattaei a certified letter scheduling her for a permit conference on October 7, 2013. The Board will also send Dr. Mattaei's supervisor, Dr. Knust a letter inquiring as to Dr. Mattaei's plan for taking and passing the E.P.P.P. Voting in favor: all.*

**D. Stephen Haran, Psy.D**

Dr. Haran did not attend his scheduled permit conference. *Upon motion by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, seconded by Dr. Van Nest, the Board voted to send Dr. Haran a certified letter scheduling him for a permit conference on October 7, 2013 to discuss his plan for taking and passing the E.P.P.P. Dr. Haran's permit will be extended until October 7, 2013. The Board also voted to request that Dr. Haran's supervisor, Dr. Alejandra Morales, submit her final report. Voting in favor: all.*

**IX. PUBLIC DISCIPLINARY MATTERS**

**A. Beth Grosshans, Ph.D., #3601**

The Board reviewed Dr. Grosshan's Consent Order filed on August 5, 2013. *The Board accepted this as informational.*

**B. Andrew Cangelosi, Ph.D., #3118**

The Board reviewed Pamela Mandel, Esq's letter dated June 19, 2013 requesting modification of Dr. Cangelosi's supervision requirement. *Upon motion by Dr. Van Nest, seconded by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman, the Board voted to request that Dr. Gantz, supervisor for Dr. Cangelosi submit a letter recommending Dr. Cangelosi practice psychology without supervision. The Board also voted to schedule Dr. Cangelosi for a conference before the Board at its October 7, 2013 meeting. Voting in favor: all.*

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

The Board reviewed Dr. Michael D'Anton's July 3, 2013 quarterly report regarding his supervision of Dr. Gallina. *The Board accepted this as informational.*

**D. Nancy B. Gallina, Ph.D., #2831**

The Board reviewed Dr. Michael D'Anton's July 20, 2013 letter requesting clarification regarding Board regulations. *Upon motion by Dr. Van Nest, seconded by Dr. Peckman, the Board voted to inform Dr. D'Anton that the names of the clients do not need to be redacted from a written evaluation submitted for Board review because the Board treats such matters as confidential. Concerning Dr. D'Anton's questions regarding dual relationships, the Board directs him to N.J.A.C 13:42-12.3. Voting in favor: all.*

**X. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Barry Helfmann, Psy.D, Director of Professional Affairs of the NJ Psychological Affairs was present to observe the meeting.

**XI. MEETING DATES FOR 2013**

October 7, 2013      November 4, 2013      December 2, 2013

**XII. MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*Upon motion by Dr. Wolf-Mehlman seconded by Dr. Peckman, the Board moved to Executive Session at 11:35 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. Van Nest, the Board voted to return to Public Session. The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m. Voting in favor: all.*

Respectfully submitted,

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Amie Wolf-Mehlman, Ph.D.  
**Secretary**

APPROVED BY:

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Date:      Loretto Brickfield, Ph.D.  
**Vice- Chair**