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**MINUTES OF TELEPHONIC MEETING**

**November 1, 2016**

**7:30 a.m.**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular session of the Arizona State Board of Psychologist Examiners Application Review Committee was called to order by Madam Chair Mellott at 7:32 a.m. on November, 1 2016. No Executive Sessions were held.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Committee Members Participating by Telephone**

Ramona N. Mellott, Ph.D. – Chair

Bob Bohanske, Ph.D.

**Staff Present**

Dr. Cindy Olvey – Executive Director

Heather Broaddus – Licensing Coordinator

**Assistant Attorney General**

Jeanne Galvin, A.A.G.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- October 4, 2016, Regular Session Minutes

Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to approve the October 4, 2016, Regular Session Minutes. The motion carried 2-0.

#### 4. **DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING APPROVAL OF PSYCHOLOGY APPLICANTS**

##### **Requesting Approval to sit for Examination (EPPP) Only**

Panagiotis Panagakis, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Panagiotis' reapplication. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Panagiotis' reapplication to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP.

Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to forward the application of Panagiotis Panagakis, Psy.D., to the full Board for approval to sit for the EPPP. The motion carried 2-0.

##### **Requesting Approval to sit for Examination (EPPP) & Licensure**

Blake Schroedter, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Schroedter's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Schroedter's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the prorated license fee.

Gina Frohlich, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Frohlich's reapplication. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Frohlich's reapplication to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the prorated license fee.

Jennifer Steel, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Steel's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Steel's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the prorated license fee.

Kelly Rodriguez, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Rodriguez's application and subsequent submission. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Rodriguez's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the prorated license fee.

Sami Worssam Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Worssam's application and subsequent submission. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Worssam's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the prorated license fee.

Sarah Oporoku, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Oporoku's reapplication. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Oporoku's reapplication to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the prorated license fee.

Thelia Robinson, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Robinson's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the

Committee to move Dr. Robinson's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the prorated license fee.

Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to forward the applications of Blake Schroedter, Psy.D., Gina Frohlich, Psy.D., Jennifer Steel, Ph.D., Kelly Rodriguez, Psy.D., Sami Worsam, Ph.D., Sarah Oporoku, Psy.D., and Thelia Robinson, Psy.D., to the full Board for review and approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the prorated license fee. The motion carried 2-0.

### **Requesting Approval of Licensure by Waiver**

Adam Fried, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Fried's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Fried's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Fred Erwin, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Erwin's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Erwin's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Sarah Aldridge, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Aldridge's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Aldridge's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Stefanie Platt, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Platt's application and subsequent submission. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Platt's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to forward the applications of Adam Fried, Ph.D., Fred Erwin, Ph.D., Sarah Aldridge, Psy.D., and Stefani Platt, Psy.D., to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon payment of the pro-rated licensure fee. The motion carried 2-0.

### **Requesting Approval of Licensure by Credential**

Edwin Hill, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Hill's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Hill's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Sonya Bruner, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Bruner's application and subsequent submission. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Bruner's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bohanske, to forward the applications of Edwin Hill, Ph.D., and Sonya Bruner, Psy.D., to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon payment of the prorated license fee. The motion carried 2-0.

### **Requesting Approval of Supervised Work Experience**

Amanda McBride, Psy.D. – Dr. Bohanske recused from reviewing Dr. McBride’s application. Due to lack of a quorum, Dr. McBride’s application will be forwarded to the Board for review.

Kyle Picora, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Picora’s application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Picora’s application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon a passing score and receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to forward the application of Kyle Picora, Psy.D., to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon payment of the pro-rated licensure fee and to forward the application of Amanda McBride, Psy.D., to the full Board for review due to lack of a quorum. The motion carried 2-0.

## **5. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD PERTAINING TO APPROVAL OF TEMPORARY LICENSE APPLICANTS AND APPROVAL OF POSTDOCTORAL WRITTEN TRAINING PLAN**

### **Requesting Approval for Temporary Licensure & EPPP**

Vanja Djurdjevic, Psy.D. – Dr. Bohanske recused from reviewing Dr. Djurdjevic’s application. Due to lack of a quorum, Dr. Djurdjevic’s application will be forwarded to the Board for review.

## **6. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD PERTAINING TO APPROVAL OF BEHAVIOR ANALYST APPLICANTS**

### **Requesting Approval of Licensure by Experience**

Kieva Hranchuk, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Hranchuk’s application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Ms. Hranchuk’s application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Lisa Boster, MPA – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Boster’s application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Ms. Boster’s application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Mariah Baysinger, M.Ed. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Baysinger’s application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were

complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Ms. Baysinger's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Mary Stevenson, M.Ed. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Stevenson's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Ms. Stevenson's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Michael Williams, M.S. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Mr. Williams' application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Mr. Williams' application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Nichole Holmes, M.A. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Holmes' application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Ms. Holmes' application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Renee Mallari, M.Ed. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Mallari's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Ms. Mallari's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Sabrina Daneshvar, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Daneshvar's application. Upon review of her Supervised Work Experience or Independent Fieldwork Verification form from her supervisor, Dr. Marjorie Charlop, the Committee noted that Dr. Charlop was not a certified behavior analyst at the time of Dr. Daneshvar's supervision which does not meet the requirement of A.R.S. §32-2091.03 Section 3. At this time the Committee cannot accept her supervised work experience. Dr. Daneshvar remains 1,500 hours deficient in meeting the supervised work or independent fieldwork requirement. She may wish to obtain additional supervision or independent fieldwork hours.

Shauna Robertson, M.Ed. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Robertson's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Ms. Robertson's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Stephanie Shaffer, M.S. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Shaffer's application. Upon review of her Supervised Work Experience or Independent Fieldwork Verification form from her supervisor, Alissa Willey-Sperry, M.Ed., the Committee noted that Ms. Willey-Sperry indicated that Ms. Shaffer received supervision from January 2012 - September 2014. The Committee noted that Ms. Willey-Sperry resided in Washington until December 2012. Ms. Willey-Sperry indicated that during January 2012 – December 2012 she was not licensed as a behavior analyst as Washington State does not require licensure for behavior analysts. Additionally, Ms. Willey-Sperry indicated that she moved to Arizona in December 2012 and she became an Arizona licensed behavior analyst on January 29, 2013. Pursuant to A.R.S. 32-

2091.03(A)(2) and A.R.S. §32-2091.03(D) the Committee is requesting clarification from Ms. Shaffer and Ms. Willey-Sperry as to how Ms. Shaffer received direct one-to-one supervision. Additionally, the Committee is requesting clarification from Ms. Shaffer and her supervisor as to how Ms. Shaffer was observed engaging in behavior analytic activities in the natural environment.

Tami Jursich, M.S. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Jursich’s application and subsequent submission. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Ms. Jursich’s application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Dr. Bohankse made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to forward the applications of Kieva Hrachuk, Ph.D., Lisa Boster, MPA, Mariah Baysinger, M.Ed., Mary Stevenson, M.Ed., Michael Williams, M.S., Nichole Holmes, M.A., Renee Mallari, M.Ed., Shauna Robertson, M.Ed., and Tami Jursich, M.S., to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee and to issue additional information request letters to Sabrina Daneshvar, Ph.D. and Stephanie Shaffer, M.S., regarding the deficiencies discussed in their applications. The motion carried 2-0.

## **7. NEW AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

There were no items for future meetings.

## **6. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Dr. Bohanske made motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 a.m. The motion carried 2-0.

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**Ramona N. Mellott, Ph.D.**  
**Application Review Committee Chair**