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REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

November 2, 2018
7:45 a.m.

1740 W. Adams St.
Conference Room A (1st Floor)
Phoenix, AZ 85007

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular session of the Arizona State Board of Psychologist Examiners was called to order by Madam Chair Brundage at 7:46 a.m. on November 2, 2018.

2. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present

Janice K. Brundage, Ph.D. – Chair
Tamara Shreeve, MPA – Vice-Chair
Lynn L. Flowers, Ph.D. – Secretary
Bob Bohanske, Ph.D., FNAP
Bryan Davey, Ph.D., BCBA-D
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Staff Present

Jenna Jones, Executive Director
Kathy Fowkes, Licensing Specialist
Krishna Poe, Administrative Assistant

Attorney General's Office

Jeanne Galvin, Esq.

3. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There were no requests to speak at this time.

4. COUNSEL UPDATE

Ms. Galvin did not have an update for the Board at this time.

5. CONSENT AGENDA - DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Dr. Flowers made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to approve the items on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried 8-0.

(a) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- October 5, 2018, Regular Session

(b) DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING PSYCHOLOGY APPLICATIONS

i. REQUESTING APPROVAL TO SIT FOR EXAMINATION (EPPP) ONLY

- Daniel Taylor Wechsler, Psy.D.
- John Lindley Adams, Ph.D.
- Gregory Logid, Ph.D.
- Micah Mammen, Ph.D.

ii. REQUESTING APPROVAL TO SIT FOR EPPP AND LICENSURE

- Bethany Leann Bates, Psy.D.

iii. REQUESTING APPROVAL OF LICENSURE BY WAIVER

- Clarence Bonander, Psy.D.
- Gina Neikirk, Ph.D.
- Jacob N. Hyde, Psy.D.
- Paul Nockels, Ph.D.

iv. REQUESTING APPROVAL TO SIT FOR THE EXAMINATION (EPPP) AND TEMPORARY LICENSURE

- Genaro R. Huerta, Psy.D.
- Kelsey Trapschuh, Psy.D.

(c) DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING BEHAVIOR ANALYST APPLICATIONS

- Alicia Stanfield, M.Ed.
- April Kristie Page, M.Ed.
- Arpana Dattilo, M.A.
- Brian Kociszewski, M.Ed.
- Carly Perlman, M.S.
- Christine Herrera, M.S.
- Elizabeth Singer, M.S.
- Mersayde Villarreal, M.Ed.
- Natasha Huebner, M.Ed.
- Nicole Ferdowsian, M.Ed.
- Nicole Schmidt, M.S.

(d) DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING 2019 BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETING CALENDAR

(e) DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REQUEST TO RE-TAKE THE EPPP FROM ELENA MARIE RIVERA, PSY.D. (PSY-T-000003)

6. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION RELATING TO CASE REVIEW OF COMPLAINT NO. T-18-19, ANN MEI, PH.D.

Mr. Donaldson provided a summary stating that the Complaint Screening Committee reviewed this case and voted to forward it to the Board for further review. Mr. Donaldson stated that Dr. Mei is not licensed as a psychologist and discussed the various websites in which it may be perceived that Dr. Mei is practicing psychology, or portraying herself a psychologist, without holding a license. Board members acknowledged that Dr. Mei corrected her personal website but recognized the various other websites that have not been corrected. Board staff noted that it appears that the various websites are cached sites and Dr. Mei may not have control over these websites. After deliberation, Mr. Donaldson made a motion to dismiss the complaint. The motion was seconded by Dr. Flowers. The motion carried 8-0.

7. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING SELF-REPORT OF A DUI CHARGE SUBMITTED BY MONIKA PETERSON, PH.D.

Ms. Jones provided a summary stating that Dr. Peterson previously self-reported a DUI within the mandatory time-frame and was requested to provide updates to the Board every six months. The case is ongoing due to an extension of probation by the Judge. Dr. Peterson was not present. After deliberation, Dr. Flowers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Donaldson to ask Dr. Peterson to continue to update the Board on this matter every 6 months and at the conclusion of the matter. The motion carried 8-0.

8. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND ACTION IN CASE NO. CV2016-011587 RELATING TO JOHN DENBOER, PH.D. AND WHETHER TO STIPULATE A STAY

Ms. Galvin provided a summary stating this case challenged the Board's authority regarding its application of A.R.S. 32-2081(C), dealing with claims and the statutes applicability with court appointed psychologists who were court appointed and provided services prior to the effective date of the statute, July 3, 2015. Dr. DenBoer was the subject of a claim and filed an action against the Board with the Superior Court alleging that the Board's application of the statute is unlawful. Both parties filed motions for summary judgement and oral argument commenced on October 5, 2018. The Court found that the Board's application of A.R.S. 32-2081(C) is lawful, specifically regarding all claims filed on or after July 3, 2015, regardless of when the services were performed or when the psychologist was appointed. The State is in the process of preparing a formal judgement for the Judge to render which, will allow for an appeal. Dr. DenBoer's attorney, Mr. Cohen, notified Ms. Galvin that an appeal will be filed. The Board previously consented to a stay on the matter, pending the outcome in Superior Court. Dr. DenBoer was not present, but his legal counsel, Larry Cohen, Esq., was present telephonically. Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Flowers, to continue the stay if an appeal is filed. The motion carried 8-0.

9. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PROPOSED CONSENT AGREEMENT SUBMITTED BY LYNNE NUNEMACHER, PSY.D. IN RESOLUTION OF COMPLAINT NO. 17-36

Ms. Jones provided a summary stating that Dr. Nunemacher and her legal counsel, Larry Cohen, Esq., submitted a proposed Consent Agreement in resolution of Complaint No. 17-36. Ms. Jones summarized the requirements of the proposed Consent Agreement. This matter was originally considered at the October 5, 2018, Board meeting and the Board directed staff to work with Mr. Cohen on modifying the Consent Agreement.

Dr. Nunemacher and Mr. Cohen were present telephonically. Mr. Cohen made a brief statement stating that Dr. Nunemacher agrees to the terms of the Proposed Consent Agreement but, requested that Dr. Nunemacher have the option to select a Practice Monitor closer to her practice.

After deliberation, Dr. Flowers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Donaldson, to accept the Proposed Consent Agreement, as drafted, with the modification to allow Dr. Nunemacher to submit the name (s) of a potential Practice Monitor (s) to the Executive Director and the Board Chair for review and possible approval. The motion carried 8-0 on a roll call vote.

10. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING BOARD MEMBER VOLUNTEERS FOR THE RULES AND/OR LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Ms. Jones stated that the Board currently has a Rules and Legislative Committee. Ms. Jones listed the current Board members involved in those Committees and inquired if there were any additional Board members who were interested in working on those Committees. Dr. Flowers volunteered to be a member the Rules Committee and Dr. Davey volunteered to be a member of the Legislative Committee.

11. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING INFORMATION AND UPDATE ON THE UPCOMING FIVE YEAR RULE REVIEW

Ms. Jones provided a summary stating that the Board would be undergoing a five year rule review in April 2019. Ms. Jones requested that Board members submit any suggested rule changes to her. Board members' discussed the ASPPB's Universal application (PLUS) and requested this be placed on a future Rules Committee agenda.

12. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE ASSOCIATION OF STATE AND PROVINCIAL PSYCHOLOGY BOARDS DRAFT SUPERVISION GUIDELINES

Ms. Jones provided a summary stating that the Board received a request from ASPPB to review and provide feedback regarding their proposed draft of supervision guidelines. Board members' discussed ASPPB's supervision guidelines and requested it be placed on a future Rules Committee agenda. It was the consensus of the Board to continue its discussion at the December Board meeting.

13. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING UPDATE AND INFORMATION FROM THE AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE REGARDING DRAFT SUNSET AUDIT REPORT

Dale Chapman, Paul Bergelin, Cheya Wilson and Kristi Wisdom from the Auditor General's Office were present.

At 8:40 a.m. Mr. Donaldson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Flowers, to go into Executive Session to discuss the confidential update pertaining to the sunset audit. The motion carried 8-0. Open session reconvened 9:58 a.m.

14. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE AS A BEHAVIOR ANALYST FROM AMANDA WINTERS, M.ED.

Dr. Davis-Wilson provided a summary to the Board stating that the Committee on Behavior Analysts reviewed Ms. Winter's application and the Committee noted that her supervised experience hours did not meet the 1,500 hour requirement pursuant to A.R.S. §32-2091.03(A)(2). The Committee directed staff to request additional verification of supervised experience hours. Staff received a written explanation from Ms. Winters indicating the verification form from Ms. Roen was in error, and included only her direct hours instead of total hours. Ms. Winters also included a copy of her BCBA verification form. Board staff received a new verification from Ms. Roen demonstrating 867 total hours of experience. Dr. Davis-Wilson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Davey to approve Ms. Winter's for licensure upon payment of the prorated license fee. The motion carried 8-0.

15. NEW AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Discussion and review of current Rules and ASPPB's draft supervision guidelines

16. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Donaldson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Shreeve, to adjourn the meeting at 10:01 a.m. The motion carried 8-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn L. Flowers, Ph.D.
Secretary