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Regular Session Meeting Minutes

Held virtually via Zoom on February 11, 2022

Board Members

Diana Davis-Wilson, DBH, BCBA – Chair
Bryan Davey, Ph.D., BCBA-D – Vice-Chair
Mathew A. Meier, Psy.D. – Secretary
Linda Caterino, Ph.D., ABPP
Aditya Dynar, Esq.
Stephen Gill, Ph.D.
Ramona N. Mellott, Ph.D.
Tamara Shreeve, MPA
Todd Wynn, M.A.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Davis-Wilson called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

The following Board members participated in the virtual meeting: Chairwoman Davis-Wilson, Vice-Chairman Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Gill, Dr. Meier, Dr. Mellott (*joined at 8:36 a.m.*) Ms. Shreeve, and Mr. Wynn.

ALSO PRESENT

The following Board staff participated in the virtual meeting: Heidi Herbst Paakkonen, Executive Director; Jennifer Michaelsen, Deputy Director; Jeanne Galvin, Assistant Attorney General (AAG); Kathy Fowkes, Licensing Specialist; and Krishna Poe, Projects Specialist.

3. REMARKS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

• Board Survey

Chairwoman Davis-Wilson stated that the Board values feedback from the public and encouraged meeting attendees to provide some by completing the online Board Meeting Assessment Survey.

• Board Member and Staff Appreciation

Chairwoman Davis-Wilson acknowledged and thanked Board members and staff for their hard work and efforts in preparing for and facilitating the Board's meetings. She noted that the staff has worked especially hard to fine efficiencies and leverage technology resources to improve the meetings.

• Continuing education credit for Board meeting attendance

Chairwoman Davis-Wilson announced that meeting attendees were eligible for continuing education credit if the meeting exceeded four hours. She noted that this meeting is anticipated to be fewer than four hours in duration.

4. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No members of the public submitted a request to speak.

5. COUNSEL UPDATE

Ms. Galvin indicated she has nothing to report at this time.

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

Dr. Davis-Wilson indicated that she is recused from the applications of Kelsey Buckler and Donna J. Salazar.

MOTION: Dr. Davey moved for the Board to approve the items listed under the Consent Agenda.

SECOND: Mr. Wynn

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Davis-Wilson, Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Meier, Dr. Mellott, Ms. Shreeve, and Mr. Wynn.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse (*recusals noted in item numbers 6D as stated herein*).

MOTION PASSED.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- December 10, 2021 Regular Session Minutes
- December 10, 2021 Executive Session Minutes

B. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

C. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING PSYCHOLOGIST APPLICATIONS

Requesting Approval to Sit for EPPP Only

EPPP Required – Part 1 or Parts 1 & 2

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| 1) Andrea Hsia Gory Munoz, Psy.D. | Part 1 & Part 2 |
| 2) Michele Stathatos, Ph.D. | Part 1 & Part 2 |
| 3) Ross Taylor Davids, Psy.D. | Part 1 & Part 2 |
| 4) Jodi Tichi, Psy.D. | Part 1 & Part 2 |

Requesting Approval to Sit for EPPP & Licensure

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| 1) Angelica Larissa Parnell-Tann, Psy.D. | Part 1 & Part 2 |
| 2) Collin McFadden, Ph.D. | Part 1 & Part 2 |
| 3) Donald W. Kincaid, Ph.D. | Part 1 & Part 2 |
| 4) Michael Reyes Medrano, Ph.D. | Part 1 & Part 2 |

Requesting Approval of Supervised Temporary Licensure and to Sit for the EPPP

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| 1) Adelina Alkhatib, Psy.D. | Part 1 & Part 2 |
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| 2) Yanely Tarin, Psy.D. | Part 1 & Part 2 |
| 3) Jodi Tichi, Psy.D. | Part 1 & Part 2 |

Requesting Approval for Licensure by Waiver

- 1) Megan A. Wiley, Psy.D.

Requesting Approval for Licensure by Credential (ABPP, CPQ or National Register)

- 1) David M. Brooks, Ph.D.
- 2) Arlene Broska, Ph.D.

Requesting Approval for Licensure by Universal Recognition

- 1) Claire Allan Camp, Psy.D.
- 2) Krista Wild, Ph.D.
- 3) Goal Auzeen Saedi Bocci, Ph.D.

D. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING BEHAVIOR ANALYST APPLICATIONS

- 1) Kayla Lawlor, M.Ed.
- 2) Ella Arceneaux, M.S.
- 3) Courtney Denevi, M.S.W.
- 4) Silvia Dergal, M.A.
- 5) Skylarr Shurn, M.S.
- 6) Kelsey Buckler, M.S.
- 7) Sherylyn Panganiban, M.Ed.
- 8) Lauren M. Krowitz, M.S.
- 9) Kaylee Jo King, M.A.
- 10) Nicole Christine Taylor, M.S.
- 11) Karla Matheu-Sosa, M.A.
- 12) Jennifer A. Koger, M.S.
- 13) Lauren Lentz, M.A.
- 14) Mitalben Patel, M.S.
- 15) Donna J. Salazar, M.Ed., LISAC.
- 16) Georgeann Caspar, M.S.W., M.Ed.

- E. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF POSTDOCTORAL WRITTEN TRAINING PLAN MODIFICATION FROM HEIDI RAMIREZ, PSY.D., TEMPORARY LICENSE HOLDER NO. PSY-T-000020**
- F. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REQUEST TO RETAKE PART 2-SKILLS OF THE EPPP FROM BRET A. RINGDAHL, PH.D., TEMPORARY LICENSE HOLDER PSY-T-000047.**

TIMED ITEM – 8:45 a.m.

7. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT FOR COMPLAINT 20-14 SHANNA SADEH, PH.D. TO INCLUDE POSSIBLE ACTION ON PROPOSED COUNTER OFFER TO SAID CONSENT AGREEMENT

Dr. Caterino announced that she is recused from this case.

Dr. Sadeh was present for the review of this matter. Ms. Paakkonen summarized the status of this case, noting that the Board had issued a disciplinary order in this case which was appealed by Dr. Sadeh. Maricopa County Superior Court issued a mixed ruling which the Board declined to appeal. The Board, instead, elected to schedule another informal interview, but offered Dr. Sadeh a consent agreement prescribing disciplinary corrective action which the respondent rejected. Dr. Sadeh countered with a proposal that she instead be issued non-disciplinary corrective action.

The Board reviewed the failed motions from the previous meeting during which this matter was last addressed. Dr. Sadeh informed the Board that she is willing to complete any amount of continuing education provided they are non-disciplinary. She explained how this case has affected her practice and her career.

MOTION: Ms. Shreeve moved for the Board to issue a Letter of Concern, and a non-disciplinary consent agreement requiring six hours of continuing education, three of which in record-keeping and three in informed consent, and three in billing practices. The motion included the provision that the hours be completed prior to the renewal deadline for her license.

SECOND: Dr. Davis-Wilson

DISCUSSION: The question was raised whether the Board appropriately provided notice of lack of informed consent to the respondent.

MOTION: Ms. Shreeve moved for the Board to meet in Executive Session for purposes of receiving legal advice.

SECOND: Mr. Dynar

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Davis-Wilson, Dr. Davey, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Meier, Dr. Mellott, Ms. Shreeve, and Mr. Wynn.

VOTE: 7-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse).

MOTION PASSED.

The Board met in Executive Session from 8:58 a.m. to 9:05 a.m.

Upon resuming the meeting in public session, the motion on the table was reiterated.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Davis-Wilson, Dr. Davey, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Mellott, Ms. Shreeve, and Mr. Wynn. The following member voted against the motion: Dr. Meier

VOTE: 6-yay, 1-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse).

THE FOLLOWING AGENDA ITEMS ARE UNTIMED AND MAY BE DISCUSSED AND DECIDED UPON AT VARIOUS TIMES THROUGHOUT THE MEETING AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR

8. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PRESENTATION BY ASPPB ON CREDENTIALS BANKING AND CHANGES TO THE PLUS PROGRAM

Ms. Paakkonen reminded the Board that historically it has supported mobility initiatives including the PLUS (Psychology Licensure Universal System) program of ASPPB. She explained that shortly after an administrative rule change was enacted thus enabling the Board to participate in PLUS, ASPPB paused accepting new jurisdictions as it reevaluated its mobility programs. Ms. Paakkonen introduced Ms. Janet Pippen Orwig, noting that she was invited to review with the Board the changes to PLUS.

Ms. Orwig provided an overview of PLUS which included an explanation of the credentials bank system. She explained that PLUS was developed ten years ago in response to requests from member boards to develop an online application. PLUS serves as the information intake mechanism, and the information submitted is provided to the appropriate board(s) for evaluation for possible licensure. Ms. Orwig further explained the reasons behind ASPPB's decision to reevaluate PLUS given recent developments rendering the system as less essential to some boards than when it was initially launched.

Ms. Orwig affirmed that new PLUS-participating jurisdictions will be required to fully participate in PLUS; it will no longer be available as only an option for applicants. In response to a question, Ms. Orwig noted that there is no fee to the jurisdictions, but applicants are charged \$200. Ms. Paakkonen explained to the Board how she had secured approval to implement a fee sharing or fee split with ASPPB, and that the General Accounting Office of the State of Arizona affirmed this can be accomplished through contra-revenue transactions.

Ms. Orwig described how the intake and processing works with PLUS to include the immediate transmittal to the relevant jurisdiction. In response to a request, Ms. Orwig explained how the ASPPB credentials bank operates.

The Board questioned whether the application time frames could be tracked, and deficiency notices can be issued. Ms. Orwig affirmed that this requirement can be met. A question was raised whether the workforce data questions that must soon be collected by the Board can be included in the application. Ms. Orwig also affirmed ASPPB can comply.

The Board thanked Ms. Orwig for sharing her time and her expertise. Ms. Paakkonen advised the Board staff will continue to evaluate the options and will keep the Board apprised on this matter. No action was taken by the Board.

9. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING LEGISLATION TO BE PROPOSED BY THE ARIZONA PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION TO EXPAND THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF PSYCHOLOGY WITH PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY

Dr. Ryan House was in attendance and explained that the association has engaged Lewis & Roca to work on this effort in preparation for the 2023 legislative session. The Board questioned why AzPA selected this agency to regulate this new license type given that others have more expertise in this area. Dr. House responded that other states have navigated this issue, and in the process found that assigning this responsibility to psychology boards is the preferred model. Some concerns were expressed that the Board of Psychologist Examiners is not well equipped to take on this responsibility, while some Board members reiterated the need to acquire the necessary resources and expertise to effectively regulate this expansion of practice.

The Board requested data on the anticipated number of existing psychologists, and psychologists-in-training, who are interested in pursuing this specialty area of practice. Additionally, the Board asked for data from other states representing the application rates. Dr. House explained that New Mexico's model is the one that

Arizona intends to emulate. Dr. House explained that the group is actively reaching out to other professionals to discuss their goals, and that they are being met with receptiveness. He assured the Board that invitations will be extended when stakeholder meetings are scheduled.

10. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REVISIONS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE RULES THAT REGULATE THE PRACTICE OF PSYCHOLOGY AND BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS IN ARIZONA (A.A.C. TITLE 4, CHAPTER 26, ARTICLES 1-4)

Ms. Paakkonen asked the Board to provide direction relative to any omissions or drafting errors in the documents. Once the Board is satisfied, the packages will be forwarded to the Governor's office for review to ascertain whether the revisions comply with the criteria established by Governor Doug Ducey for rule packages. It was noted that the draft will need to reflect that the jurisprudence exercise will earn 4 hours of continuing education credit, the diversity and inclusion requirement will need to be added to the behavior analyst continuing education rule, and one adjustment will need to be made that recognizes the verified course sequence in the behavior analyst education requirements rule.

MOTION: Dr. Davis-Wilson moved to approve the proposed rule revisions with the corrections noted, and to delegate to Ms. Paakkonen the task of verifying those corrections. The motion included a provision directing Ms. Paakkonen to see the approval of the Governor for promulgating the rule revisions.

SECOND: Dr. Caterino

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Davis-Wilson, Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Meier, Dr. Mellott, Ms. Shreeve, and Mr. Wynn.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse).

MOTION PASSED.

11. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PROPOSED LEGISLATION INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: HB2070, HB2145, HB2147, HB2162, HB2178, HB2196, HB2260, HB2276, HB2294, HB2371, HB2412, HB2587, HB2599, HB2612, SB1035, SB1045, SB1090, SB1127, SB1138, SB1158 & SB1568

Ms. Paakkonen reported that only a few bills have made forward progress since the most recently issued report, one of which is HB2178 which passed the House of Representatives on a nearly unanimous vote and has crossed over to the Senate. She noted that the deadline to hear bills in assigned committee is rapidly approaching; any bills denied a hearing will effectively die. Ms. Paakkonen also commented that another stakeholder meeting for SB1568 was called by Senator Barto, during which several of the board's Executive Directors reiterated concerns about implementing its provisions without additional resources allocated for that purpose. An amendment is expected to be introduced to resolve at least a few concerns with the bill.

12. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING BOARD MEMBER AND STAFF PARTICIPATION IN THE THIRTY-SIXTH MID-YEAR MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF STATE AND PROVINCIAL PSYCHOLOGY BOARDS

Ms. Paakkonen advised the Board that this meeting is scheduled to be in person April 21-24 in New Orleans, Louisiana. She affirmed that there are ample funds in the budget to support attendance by multiple members of the Board and staff. She also noted that by virtue of having been awarded with the Fellow award in 2020, Dr. Mellott's attendance will be at least partially funded. Ms. Paakkonen indicated that at least she and Ms. Michaelsen can attend, and additional staff may also be included. Mr. Wynn indicated he is interested in attending if his schedule permits.

Ms. Shreeve departed the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

MOTION: Dr. Davis-Wilson moved to approve sending Board staff and Board members to the meeting at the level that the travel budget accommodates.

SECOND: Dr. Mellott

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Davis-Wilson, Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Meier, Dr. Mellott, Ms. Shreeve, and Mr. Wynn.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse).

MOTION PASSED.

13. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING BOARD MEMBER AND STAFF PARTICIPATION IN THE 12TH ANNUAL ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL BEHAVIORAL ANALYSTS (APBA) CONVENTION

Ms. Paakkonen advised the Board that in recent years this organization has offered some rare behavior analyst regulatory topics at this annual event, and the convention presents the first opportunity for Board staff to learn more on this topic, and to engage with fellow regulators from other U.S. jurisdictions. Ms. Paakkonen indicated that it is her hope that she can contribute to the development of more regulatory content and she intends to suggest the APBA support a regulatory topics track at this event. The behavior analyst members spoke in favor of Board staff participating in this meeting, and Dr. Davis-Wilson stated that she will be a panelist for a presentation on regulatory Board issues.

MOTION: Dr. Davis-Wilson moved to approve sending Board staff and Board members to the meeting at the level that the travel budget accommodates.

SECOND: Mr. Dynar

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Davis-Wilson, Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Meier, Dr. Mellott, Ms. Shreeve, and Mr. Wynn.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse).

MOTION PASSED.

14. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING STATUS OF APPOINTMENTS TO FILL TWO PSYCHOLOGIST MEMBER POSITIONS ON THE BOARD

Ms. Paakkonen reminded the Board that this matter is on the agenda by request. She indicated that she reached out to the Director of the Governor's Office of Boards and Commissions to request a status on the two psychologist vacancies on the Board, but learned two days later that the Director's departure was imminent, and she did not receive any response to the question. She then followed up to the successor Director who has also not responded. She indicated she will continue to see clarity as to when the Board may expect the vacancies to be filled with appointees.

15. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING LICENSURE AND REGULATORY ISSUES RELATIVE TO COVID-19

Ms. Paakkonen advised the Board that the staff continues to find success with remote work, noting that the new computers recently acquired are facilitating this to a significant degree. She further noted that with neighboring states concluding their emergencies and infections declining, speculating is increasing that Arizona's state of emergency may be drawing to a conclusion.

16. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING BEHAVIOR ANALYST APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE FROM GWEN MICCI, M.S.

Dr. Davey summarized the application file, noting that Ms. Micci is on the agenda for purposes of conducting a substantive review of the application due to a lack of quorum with the Committee on Behavior Analysts. He noted that the file is administratively complete and the content complies with the requirements established in statute and rule.

MOTION: Dr. Davey moved for the Board to approve Ms. Micci for licensure upon receipt of an acceptable correction to one question she neglected to answer.

SECOND: Dr. Davis-Wilson

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Davis-Wilson, Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Meier, Dr. Mellott, Ms. Shreeve, and Mr. Wynn.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse).

MOTION PASSED.

17. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PSYCHOLOGIST APPLICATION FOR EPPP & LICENSURE FROM NATHAN A. VELEZ, PH.D.

Dr. Mellott announced that she is recused from the review of this application.

Dr. Caterino summarized the application file, noting that Dr. Velez is requesting approval to retake the EPPP and for licensure to be granted licensure on receipt of a passing score. She noted that the file is administratively complete and the content complies with the requirements established in statute and rule.

MOTION: Dr. Caterino moved for the Board to approve Dr. Velez to retake the EPPP and for licensure to be granted to him on receipt of a passing score.

SECOND: Mr. Dynar

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Davis-Wilson, Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Meier, Ms. Shreeve, and Mr. Wynn. Dr. Mellott recused from the vote.

VOTE: 7-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse).

MOTION PASSED.

18. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PSYCHOLOGIST APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF SUPERVISED EXPERIENCE FOR LICENSURE AFTER PASSING EPPP FROM JENNIFER LYNN HOLZAPFEL, PH.D.

Dr. Mellott announced that she is recused from the review of this application.

Dr. Caterino summarized the application file, noting that Dr. Holzapfel is on the agenda for purposes of validating that she has met the 3,000 required hours of professional training. She noted that the file is administratively complete and the content complies with the requirements established in statute and rule.

MOTION: Dr. Caterino moved for the Board to approve Dr. Holzapfel for licensure.

SECOND: Ms. Shreeve

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Davis-Wilson, Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Meier, Ms. Shreeve, and Mr. Wynn. Dr. Mellott recused from the vote.

VOTE: 7-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse).

MOTION PASSED.

19. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PSYCHOLOGIST REAPPLICATION FOR EPPP & LICENSURE FROM MARSHELL WALTERS, PSY.D.

Dr. Meier summarized the application file, noting that Dr. Walters is requesting approval to reapply to take the EPPP and for licensure to be granted licensure on receipt of a passing score. She noted that the file is administratively complete and the content complies with the requirements established in statute and rule.

MOTION: Dr. Meier moved for the Board to approve Dr. Walters to retake the EPPP and for licensure to be granted to her on receipt of a passing score.

SECOND: Ms. Shreeve

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Davis-Wilson, Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Meier, Dr. Mellott, Ms. Shreeve, and Mr. Wynn.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse).

MOTION PASSED.

20. NEW AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

The topic concerning who may be permitted to sign supervision verification forms for behavior analyst trainees will be forwarded to the Committee on Behavior Analysts; the Committee will forward to the Board any recommendations on that topic.

21. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mr. Dynar moved to adjourn the meeting.

SECOND: Mr. Wynn

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Davis-Wilson, Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Meier, Dr. Mellott, Ms. Shreeve, and Mr. Wynn.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse).

MOTION PASSED.

The meeting concluded at 11:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

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