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Application Review Committee Virtual Meeting Minutes

August 26, 2022
Held via Zoom

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Dr. Mellott at 7:35 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL - Ms. Fowkes

Members Present

Ramona N. Mellott, Ph.D.

Linda Caterino, Ph.D., ABPP

A quorum of the Committee was confirmed.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

July 29, 2022 Regular Session Draft Minutes could not be approved due to lack of a quorum.

4. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PSYCHOLOGY APPLICATIONS

A. Requesting Approval to Sit for the EPPP (A.R.S. §§ 32-2071, 2071.01 & 2072)

1) Peter Hildebrand, Psy.D.

Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of the application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of the statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to forward the application to the Board for approval to sit for the EPPP (Part 1 & Part 2).

MOTION: Dr. Mellott moved to forward the application of Dr. Hildebrand to the Board for approval to sit for the EPPP. Dr. Caterino seconded.

VOICE VOTE: The motion carried unanimously.

B. Requesting Approval to Sit for EPPP & Licensure (A.R.S. §§ 32-2071, 2071.01 & 2072)

1) Andrea Annibale, Psy.D.

Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of the reapplication. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of the statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to forward the reapplication to the Board for approval to sit for the EPPP (Parts 1 & 2).

2) Beth Richter, Psy.D.

Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of the reapplication. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of the statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to forward the reapplication to the Board for approval to sit for the EPPP (Parts 1 & 2).

3) Ryan House, Psy.D.

Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of the application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of the statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to forward the application to the Board for approval to sit for the EPPP (Parts 1 & 2).

4) Sabrina Pratt, Psy.D.

Dr. Pratt was present. Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of the application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of the statutes and rules. However, the Committee noted a legal matter in 2019.

MOTION: Dr. Mellott moved to go into Executive Session for discussion of confidential records. Dr. Caterino seconded. The Committee entered Executive Session at 7:54 a.m. and returned to Open Session at 8:09 a.m.

MOTION: Dr. Mellott moved to table the application until receipt of further information as discussed in Executive Session. Dr. Caterino seconded.

VOICE VOTE: The motion carried unanimously.

5) Summer Boyd, Psy.D.

Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of the reapplication. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of the statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to forward the reapplication to the Board for approval to sit for the EPPP (Parts 1 & 2).

MOTION: Dr. Mellott moved to forward the applications of Dr. Andrea Annibale, Dr. Beth Richter, Dr. Ryan House, and Dr. Summer Boyd to the Board for approval to sit for the EPPP and licensure upon passing scores. Dr. Caterino seconded.

VOICE VOTE: The motion carried unanimously.

C. Requesting Approval of Licensure by Waiver (A.R.S. §§ 32-2071, 2071.01 & 2072)

1) Emma Marie Stevens, Psy.D.

Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of the application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of the statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to forward the application to the Board for approval for licensure.

2) Hydie Henson DiGiovanni, Psy.D.

Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of the application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of the statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to forward the application to the Board for approval for licensure.

3) Katherine VanBuskirk, Ph.D.

Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of the application. Upon review, the Committee noted two concerns regarding Dr. VanBuskirk's postdoctoral supervised experience (postdoc). According to the verification, the postdoc took place from 08/15/2021 – 08/15/2022 at Ginger Training Institute in San Francisco, California under the supervision of Patricia Taylor, Ph.D. The verification indicates that 100% of the supervision took place via telepractice. The Committee noted that during the state of emergency due to Covid, until three months after the end of the state of emergency in Arizona, the Board waived the requirement that no more than 50% of supervision may be via telepractice. The Governor of Arizona declared an end to the state of emergency due to Covid on 03/30/2022. The Committee noted that from 06/30/2022 through 08/15/2022, the postdoctoral supervised experience appeared to no longer be in compliance with A.A.C. R4-26-111(A)(1) which states, "As specified under A.R.S. § 32-2071(F) and (G), a licensee who provides in-person individual supervision shall ensure that: 1. No more than 50 percent of the supervision is provided through telepractice...."

Additionally, the supervisor, Patricia Taylor, Ph.D., does not appear to be licensed in California, where supervision took place. The Committee noted that supervision takes place where the trainee is providing psychological services, regardless of the location of the supervisor.

The Committee made a formal request for additional information to clarify the issues noted above. The application was tabled until this information has been received.

4) Bret A. Ringdahl, Ph.D.

Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of the application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of the statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to forward the application to the Board for approval for licensure.

MOTION: Dr. Meier moved to forward the application of Dr. Michael Woodward to the Board for approval of licensure. Dr. Caterino seconded.

VOICE VOTE: The motion carried unanimously.

D. Requesting Approval for Licensure by Credential (ABPP, CPQ or National Register) (§§ 32-2071.01 & 2072)

1) Karen Kay, Psy.D., Ph.D.

Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of the application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of the statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to forward the application to the Board for approval for licensure.

2) Shannon Alexander, Ph.D.

Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of the application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of the statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to forward the application to the Board for approval for licensure.

MOTION: Dr. Meier moved to forward the applications of Dr. Karen Kay and Dr. Shannon Alexander to the Board for approval of licensure. Dr. Caterino seconded.

VOICE VOTE: The motion carried unanimously.

E. Requesting Approval for Licensure by Universal Recognition (A.R.S. § 32-4302)

1) Wanda J. Crews, Ph.D.

MOTION: Dr. Caterino moved to forward the application of Dr. Wanda J. Crews to the Board for approval of licensure. Dr. Meier seconded.

VOICE VOTE: The motion carried unanimously.

F. Requesting Approval of Supervised Experience for Licensure (A.A.C. R4-26-203.02(D))

1) Michele Stathatos, Ph.D.

Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of the application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of the statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to forward the application to the Board for approval for licensure.

5. NEW AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

No items were requested.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Caterino motioned to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Meier seconded. Upon a unanimous voice vote, the meeting adjourned at 8:24 a.m.