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Regular Session Meeting Minutes

Held virtually via Zoom on August 4, 2023

Board Members

Bryan Davey, Ph.D., BCBA-D – Chair
Aditya Dynar, Esq. - Secretary
Linda Caterino, Ph.D., ABPP
Donald Stenhoff, Ph.D., BCBA-D
Diana Medina, Ph.D.
Ramona N. Mellott, Ph.D.
Joseph Stewart, Ed.D.
Todd Wynn, M.A.

Board Staff

Heidi Herbst Paakkonen, M.P.A., Executive Director
Jennifer Michaelsen, M.P.A. Deputy Director
Krishna Poe, Program Projects Specialist
Kathy Fowkes, Psychologist Licensing Specialist
Zakiya Mallas, Behavior Analyst Licensing Specialist

Board Attorney

Jeanne Galvin, Assistant Attorney General

1. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Davey called the Board's meeting to order at 10:32 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

The following Board members participated in the virtual meeting: Dr. Meier, Dr. Mellott, Dr. Caterino, Dr. Stenhoff, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Stewart. The following Board members were not present in the virtual meeting: 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; Diane DeDea, Assistant Attorney General; Kathy Fowkes, Licensing Specialist, Zakiya Mallas, Licensing Specialist, and Krishna Poe, Projects Specialist.

3. REMARKS/ANNOUNCEMENTS – Dr. Davey

● **Board [Survey](#)**

Chairman Davey Dr. Meier encouraged meeting attendees to provide feedback by contacting Board staff and completing a Board Meeting Assessment Survey.

● **Board Member and Staff Appreciation**

Chairman Davey acknowledged and thanked Board members and staff for their hard work and efforts in facilitating the Board's meetings.

● **Continuing Education Credit for Board Meeting Attendance**

Chairman Davey announced that meeting attendees were eligible for continuing education credit if the meeting exceeded four hours.

- **Recognition of retiring member - Diana Davis-Wilson, DBH, BCBA**
Chairman Davey announced that this will be Dr. Davis-Wilson's final Board meeting. Board members and Board staff expressed their gratitude for Dr. Davis-Wilson's dedicated service to the public.
- **Welcome to New Member - Donald Stenhoff, Ph.D., BCBA-D**
Chairman Davey welcomed the newly appointed member, Dr. Stenhoff. Dr. Stenhoff shared an introduction, and Board members welcomed him.

4. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No one requested to speak.

5. COUNSEL UPDATE

Ms. Galvin did not have an update.

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

Dr. Mellott was not present for this agenda item.

MOTION: Mr. Dynar moved for the Board to approve the items listed under the Consent Agenda.
SECOND: Dr. Caterino

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Stewart and Dr. Stenhoff.

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

MOTION PASSED.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- July 7, 2023 Regular Session Minutes
- July 7, 2023 Executive Session Minutes

B. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

C. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING PSYCHOLOGIST APPLICATIONS

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

- 1) Alaina Puff, Ph.D.
- 2) Rochelle Sykes, Psy.D.

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

- 1) Krystal Galvan, Psy.D.
- 2) Rosalba Mada, Ph.D.

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

- 1) Aimee Hammer, Ph.D.

D. Requesting Approval for Licensure by Credential (ABPP, CPQ or NRHSP - A.R.S. § 32-2071.01)

- 1) Lisa Howell, Ph.D., ABPP
- 2) Jeanette Mayse, Ph.D., ABPP

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

- 1) Ahmed El-Sokkary, Psy.D.
- 2) Patricia Fields, Psy.D.
- 3) Jennifer Callahan, Psy.D.
- 4) Lindsay Okonowsky, Ph.D.
- 5) Carole Srinivasan, Ph.D.
- 6) Kali Ziba-Tanguay, Ph.D.

F. Requesting Approval for Telehealth Registration (A.R.S. § 36-3606)

- 1) Lilit Asulyan, Psy.D.

D. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING BEHAVIOR ANALYST APPLICATIONS

- 1) Lindsay Boutchia, M.A.
- 2) Brittany Holdren, M.A.
- 3) Kelsey Robeson, M.A.
- 4) Jessica Zirbes, M.S.
- 5) Haley Taylor, M.Ed.
- 6) Sande Kim, M.Ed.
- 7) Brandy Brewer, M.Ed.
- 8) Julia King Kohn, M.A.
- 9) Ashley Vliet, M.S.
- 10) Jake Rasmussen, M.Ed.
- 11) Tamara Parrish, M.A.
- 12) Catalina Rini, Psy.D.
- 13) Hannah Beckham, M.A.
- 14) Jacob Neufeld, M.Ed.
- 15) Rachel Robinson, M.Ed.
- 16) Cesar Garcia, M.Ed.
- 17) Mackenzie Schroeder, M.S.
- 18) Jessica Camacho, M.A.
- 19) Cassandra Hamilton, M.A.
- 20) Olynn Halcomb, M.S.
- 21) Nancy Luc, M.Ed.

E. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING RETAKE REQUEST SUBMITTED BY YANELY TARIN, PSY.D., SUPERVISED TEMPORARY LICENSE NO. PSY-T-000050

F. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REINSTATEMENT REQUEST SUBMITTED BY RICK ANTHONY CRUZ, PH.D.

G. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING BEHAVIOR ANALYST TELEHEALTH REGISTRY APPLICATIONS

1. Adele Thomas, M.A.

TIMED ITEMS - 11:00 a.m.

7. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION RELATING TO NEAL OLSHAN, PH.D.'S COMPLIANCE WITH THE BOARD'S INTERIM ORDER FOR A FITNESS FOR DUTY EVALUATION FOR CASE 22-30

Dr. Mellott was not present for this agenda item.

Ms. Paakkonen provided a summary of this matter to the Board. Dr. Olshan and his attorney, Mr. Andrew

Breavington, addressed the Board. Assistant Attorney General, Diane DeDea, was present as an independent legal advisor to the Board. Ms. Galvin represented the State.

MOTION: Dr. Medina moved for the Board to move to Executive Session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice on the matter.

SECOND: Dr. Davey

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Mellott, Dr. Stewart and Dr. Stenhoff

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

MOTION PASSED.

The Board met in Executive Session from 11:44 a.m. – 12:07 p.m.

MOTION: Dr. Davey moved for the Board to table item 7 in order to address related agenda items.

SECOND: Dr. Medina

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Mellott, Dr. Stewart and Dr. Stenhoff

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

MOTION PASSED.

8. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION RELATING TO INITIAL CASE REVIEW OF COMPLAINT NO. 23-44 AGAINST NEAL OLSHAN, PH.D.

Dr. Mellott was not present for this agenda item.

Dr. Medina provided a summary of this case to the Board, noting that Dr. Olshan was not present at the Complaint Screening Committee review of the matter; accordingly, the Committee elected to forward it to the Board. The complainant was not present at the meeting. Mr. Breavington requested that the matter be tabled since the previous matter regarding the fitness for duty evaluation of Dr. Olshan has been tabled. Dr. Olshan provided a brief statement and answered the Board members' questions. Dr. Olshan explained that he believes the complaint was filed because he did not connect the complainant to an investor to support the development of his invention. The Board posed questions related to the presence of Dr. Olshan's firearm during a session with the complainant that was mentioned in the complaint.

MOTION: Dr. Medina moved for the Board to move to Executive Session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice.

SECOND: Committee

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Mellott, Dr. Stewart and Dr. Stenhoff

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

MOTION PASSED.

The Board met in Executive Session from 12:42 p.m. – 1:06 p.m.

MOTION: Dr. Davey moved for the Board to table item 8 after hearing item 9.

SECOND: Dr. Medina

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Mellott, Dr. Stewart and Dr. Stenhoff

VOTE: 7-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain

MOTION PASSED.

The Board recessed at 1:07 p.m. and resumed open session at 1:16 p.m.

The Board deliberated the cases and identified several possible adjudication options and scenarios, debating the merits, appropriateness, and challenges of each.

MOTION: Dr. Davey moved for the Board to move the allegations of this case to formal hearing based on the finding of facts and conclusion of law consisting of violations of A.R.S. § 32-2061(16)(dd), violating an ethical standard adopted by the Board as it pertains to sections 3.03 (Other Harassment), 3.05 (Multiple Relationships), and 3.06 (Conflict of Interest) of the APA’s Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct.

SECOND: Dr. Medina

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Mellott, Dr. Stewart and Dr. Stenhoff

VOTE: 7-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain

MOTION PASSED.

The Board directed Board staff to consolidate items 7, 8, and 9 to one agenda item.

MOTION: Dr. Stewart moved for the Board to move the allegation that Dr. Olshan failed to comply with a Board Order, a violation of A.R.S. §32-2061(16)(aa), to formal hearing if Dr. Olshan fails to report to the fitness for duty evaluation that is scheduled for August 28th.

SECOND: Dr. Medina

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Mellott, Dr. Stewart and Dr. Stenhoff

VOTE: 7-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain

MOTION PASSED.

9. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING STATUS UPDATE ONLY FROM BOARD STAFF REGARDING COMPLAINT NO. 24-03 AGAINST NEAL OLSHAN, PH.D.

Dr. Mellott was not present for this agenda item.

Ms. Michaelsen summarized the case for the Board noting that the investigation of the case is pending. Ms. Galvin clarified for the Board that this agenda item is listed as a status update only. Board members acknowledged the status of the case as being in the very early stage of investigation.

TIMED ITEM - 1:00 p.m.

10. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION RELATING TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FITNESS FOR DUTY EVALUATION FOR ANN EBERHARDT, PSY.D., APPLICANT FOR PSYCHOLOGIST LICENSURE BY WAIVER, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BOARD’S INTERIM ORDER ISSUED ON MAY 9, 2023, AND POSSIBLE DENIAL OF HER APPLICATION

Dr. Mellott was not present for this agenda item.

Ms. Paakkonen provided a summary for the Board, noting that during the July 7, 2023 meeting a substantive review of her application for licensure along with the recommendations in the fitness for duty report prepared by Dr. Nicole Lazorwitz, Psy.D. Dr. Eberhardt and her attorney, Kelsey Whalen, were present at the meeting and addressed the Board. Dr. Lazorwitz was also in attendance for purposes of addressing the Board’s questions.

MOTION: Dr. Davey moved for the Board to meet in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personal health information and for obtaining legal advice.

SECOND: Mr. Dynar

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Stewart and Dr. Stenhoff

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

MOTION PASSED.

The Board met in Executive Session at 1:50 p.m. and resumed open session at 2:23 pm.

MOTION: Dr. Stewart moved for the Board to grant Dr. Eberhardt a temporary license under the terms of a Consent Agreement that is immediately put on probation. While in that status, Dr. Eberhardt must complete 12 months of supervised work experience under an Arizona licensed psychologist and then be re-evaluated for her fitness for duty. Additionally, the Consent Agreement will include requirements to adhere to the recommendations issued by Dr. Lazarowitz.

SECOND: Dr. Medina

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Stewart, and Dr. Stenhoff

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

MOTION PASSED.

Dr. Stewart left the meeting at 2:29 p.m.

The Board recessed at 2:29 p.m. and resumed open session at 2:41 p.m.

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

11. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION FOR POTENTIAL RAMP PARTICIPANT

Ms. Michaelsen stated that her summary will be provided in Executive Session due to the necessity to discuss personal health information of the licensee who is under consideration for approval to be admitted to RAMP.

MOTION: Dr. Davey moved for the Board to move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personal health information and obtaining legal advice.

SECOND: Mr. Dynar

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Mellott, and Dr. Stenhoff

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

MOTION PASSED.

Dr. Stewart rejoined the meeting at 2:57 p.m.

MOTION: Dr. Davey moved for the Board to proceed as directed in executive session.

SECOND: Dr. Caterino

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Mellott, Dr. Stewart and Dr. Stenhoff

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

MOTION PASSED.

12. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION RELATING TO THE COMMITTEE ON BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS' RECOMMENDATION REGARDING COMPLAINT NO. T-23-04 AGAINST CHELSEA MOORE, M.A., AND RECOMMENDATION THAT MS. MOORE'S THEN EMPLOYER (CENTRIA) BE REFERRED TO THE ARIZONA ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE, ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, AHCCCS, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER OF EXCELLENCE ACCREDITATION, AND APPLICABLE REIMBURSEMENT SOURCES FOR POSSIBLE INVESTIGATION

Dr. Davey provided a summary of the recommendations made by the Committee on Behavior Analysts relative to dismissal of the allegation that Ms. Moore provided applied behavior analytic services in Arizona for a period of time in 2021 and 2022 without holding the required license. Additionally, Dr. Davey described the investigative findings concerning Ms. Moore's former Arizona employer, Centria Healthcare, noting that the Board does not have jurisdiction over the agency or its billing practices. Centria Healthcare's attorney, Flynn Carey, Esq., was present and provided a brief statement to the Board.

MOTION: Dr. Davey moved for the Board to adopt the Committee's recommendations to dismiss the allegations concerning Ms. Moore, but to refer the findings concerning Centria Healthcare's conduct and practices to the various entities identified.

SECOND: Dr. Stewart.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Mellott, Dr. Stewart and Dr. Stenhoff

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

MOTION PASSED.

13. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION RELATING TO THE COMMITTEE ON BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS' RECOMMENDATION REGARDING THE FOLLOWING COMPLAINTS AND/OR INITIAL CASE REVIEW OF THE FOLLOWING COMPLAINTS

Dr. Davey summarized the allegations and included the Committee review outcomes and recommendations for the following series of cases for the Board to consider.

A. Complaint No. 23-19, Paige Huff, M.S.

Ms. Huff and her attorney, Sara Stark, Esq., were present for the review of this matter. Dr. Davey stated that the complaint review by the Committee identified an extensive series of findings of fact that establish Ms. Huff failed to appropriately manage the practice, records, and certain services provided by her agency, Adventure ABA. The recommendation was to offer Ms. Huff a Consent Agreement, the terms of which include practice monitoring for one year. Ms. Stark stated that Ms. Huff has signed the Consent Agreement and requested that the Board accept it.

MOTION: Dr. Davey moved for the Board to accept the recommended consent agreement for probation and practice monitoring for a minimum of one year.

SECOND: Dr. Stewart.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Mellott, Dr. Stewart, and Dr. Stenhoff

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

MOTION PASSED.

B. Complaint No. 23-20, Dylan Huff, M.Ed.

Mr. Huff and his attorney were not present for the review of this matter. Dr. Davey advised the Board that the Committee's recommendation is dismissal of the case, having found no evidence that Mr. Huff violated any of the Board's statutes.

MOTION: Dr. Davey moved for the Board to accept the recommendation for dismissal.
SECOND: Dr. Stewart.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Mellott, Dr. Stewart, and Dr. Stenhoff
VOTE: 7-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse.
MOTION PASSED.

C. Complaint No. 23-21, Abigail Barnes, M.S.

Ms. Barnes was not present for the review of this matter. Dr. Davey advised the Board that the Committee's recommendation is dismissal of the case, having found no evidence that Ms. Barnes violated any of the Board's statutes.

MOTION: Dr. Davey moved for the Board to accept the recommendation for dismissal.
SECOND: Dr. Stewart.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Mellott, Dr. Stewart, and Dr. Stenhoff
VOTE: 7-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse.
MOTION PASSED.

D. Complaint No. 23-22, Diamond Smith, M.S.

Ms. Smith was not present for the review of this matter. Dr. Davey advised the Board that the Committee's recommendation is to issue to Ms. Smith a Letter of Concern and a Non-disciplinary Order for Continuing Education, given its findings that the licensee's conduct reflected mishandling of an allegation that a service provider at the agency inappropriately touched a client, including lack of clear, demonstrable evidence of follow-through and follow-up on her part relating to incident reporting and recordkeeping. Additionally, there is a lack of documentation that Ms. Smith followed agency procedures regarding this incident.

MOTION: Dr. Davey moved for the Board to accept the non-disciplinary letter of concern and the order for continuing education.
SECOND: Dr. Medina.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Mellott, Dr. Stewart, and Dr. Stenhoff
VOTE: 7-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse.
MOTION PASSED.

14. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION RELATING TO INITIAL CASE REVIEW OF THE FOLLOWING COMPLAINTS REGARDING POSSIBLE TITLE VIOLATIONS:

A. Complaint No. T-23-06, Austin McCall

Mr. Dynar summarized the case for the Board noting that the committee's recommendation to the Board is to issue a cease and desist. Dr. McCall was not present.

MOTION: Dr. Davey moved for the Board to adopt the committee's recommendation and issue a letter of cease and desist.

SECOND: Dr. Stewart.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Mellott, Dr. Stewart, and Dr. Stenhoff

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

MOTION PASSED.

15. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING LICENSE REINSTATEMENT REQUEST SUBMITTED BY CARLOS A. JONES, PH.D., AND WHETHER OR NOT TO OPEN A COMPLAINT FOR UNLICENSED PRACTICE

Ms. Poe provided a summary of this matter for the Board, noting that he submitted the application once he realized that he had not renewed his license on time, but continued to practice for a few weeks past that date. Dr. Jones was present and briefly addressed the Board. Dr. Jones answered questions concerning the duration of his practice, the services he provided, and whether he was under any type of supervision for the period of time during which he was unlicensed. The Board affirmed that it has no authority to order a licensee to make restitution; Dr. Jones indicated he is already taking those corrective action steps. The Board also advised that there is no statutory authority to retroactively approve a license renewal.

MOTION: Dr. Stewart moved for the Board to reinstate Dr. Jones' license to practice as a psychologist, and take no action regarding the unlicensed practice for the one month and 11 days that Dr. Jones was practicing without a license.

SECOND: Mr. Dynar

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Stewart, and Dr. Stenhoff

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

MOTION PASSED.

16. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE BY UNIVERSAL RECOGNITION SUBMITTED BY MARIE-CHRISTINE RUTTER GOODWORTH, PH.D.

Dr. Caterino provided a summary of the application for the Board, noting that the file was complete, and it establishes that she has met the requirements for licensure established by statute and rule. She stated that the recommendation is to approve the application.

MOTION: Dr. Caterino moved for the Board to approve Dr. Rutter Goodworth's application by universal recognition.

SECOND: Dr. Stewart

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Stewart, and Dr. Stenhoff

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

MOTION PASSED.

17. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE BY WAIVER SUBMITTED BY MARICELA SMITH, PSY.D.

Dr. Caterino provided a summary of the application for the Board, noting that the file was complete, and it establishes that she has met the requirements for licensure established by statute and rule. Dr. Medina recused

from the review and vote on the application.

MOTION: Dr. Caterino moved for the Board to approve Maricela Smith’s application.
SECOND: Dr. Mellott.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Mellott, Dr. Stewart, and Dr. Stenhoff
VOTE: 6-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse.
MOTION PASSED.

18. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPROPRIATION INCREASE REQUESTS (FUNDING ISSUES) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025

Ms. Paakkonen provided a summary of the funding issues she has drafted for submission with the Fiscal Year 2025 appropriation request. Board members asked questions and participated in a discussion of the request, and Ms. Paakkonen provided some explanation concerning the budget appropriations processes. It was the consensus of the Board that all of the proposed funding issues are adequately justified and essential to ensure the agency effectively accomplishes its mission to protect the public, but the discussion reflected that the behavior analyst investigator position must be a 1.0 FTE as opposed to a 0.5 FTE given the rapid escalation of the number of licensees and the number of complaints.

MOTION: Dr. Davey moved for the Board to approve the funding issues with the modification as noted in the discussion, and the appropriation increase request for Fiscal Year 2025.
SECOND: Dr. Stewart.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Mellott, Dr. Stewart, and Dr. Stenhoff
VOTE: 7-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse.
MOTION PASSED.

19. NEW AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Board members identified some items they would like listed on future meeting agendas to include an update on appointments to fill vacant Board positions, an update concerning responses to the Centria Healthcare investigation request referrals, a review of the current State of Arizona appraisal tool to potentially evaluate the Executive Director’s performance, and alternative solutions to notifying licensees of their approaching licensure renewal deadlines.

20. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Dr. Stewart moved for the Board to adjourn the meeting.
SECOND: Dr. Caterino.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Davey, Dr. Caterino, Mr. Dynar, Dr. Medina, Dr. Mellott, Dr. Stewart, and Dr. Stenhoff
VOTE: 7-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse.
MOTION PASSED.

The meeting adjourned at 4:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, enclosed in a thin black rectangular border. The signature is cursive and appears to read "Adi Dynar".

Adi Dynar, Esq.
Secretary