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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 7, 2024

Board Members

Aditya Dynar, Esq.– Chair
Diana Medina, Ph.D.– Vice Chair
Bryan Davey, Ph.D., BCBA-D
Linda Caterino, Ph.D., ABPP
Melissa Flint, Psy.D.
Donald Stenhoff, Ph.D., BCBA-D
Larry Sideman, Ph.D., ABPP
Joseph Stewart, Ed.D. – Secretary
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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

Mr. Dynar called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

The following Board members participated in the virtual meeting: Mr. Dynar, Dr. Davey, Dr. Stewart, Dr. Caterino, Dr. Flint, Dr. Sideman, Dr. Stenhoff, and Mr. Wynn. Dr. Medina was absent.

ALSO PRESENT

The following Board staff participated in the virtual meeting: Jennifer Michaelsen, Deputy Director; Jeanne Galvin, Assistant Attorney General; Kathy Fowkes, Licensing Specialist, Zakiya Mallas, Licensing Specialist, and Krishna Poe, Projects Specialist.

3. REMARKS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

● **Board [Survey](#)**

Mr. Dynar encouraged meeting attendees to provide feedback by contacting Board staff and completing a Board Meeting Assessment Survey.

● **Board Member and Staff Appreciation**

Mr. Dynar 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**

Mr. Dynar announced that the meeting is not expected to exceed four hours and it is therefore unlikely to be a continuing education credit awarding event.

4. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No members of the public requested to speak.

5. COUNSEL UPDATE

Ms. Galvin advised that the two complaints concerning psychologist Nicole Huggins have been scheduled for a formal administrative hearing with the Office of Administrative Hearings for June 17, 2024. She reminded the Board that Dr. Huggins failed to comply with the terms of the Interim Order issued by the Board to submit to a fitness for duty evaluation.

She also advised the Board that the formal hearing for the two complaints concerning behavior analyst Jamie Jones has been rescheduled to August 28, 2024. In response to a question posed by Dr. Davey, she clarified that settlement negotiations are in process.

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

Dr. Stenhoff recused from the review and vote for the Executive Session minutes under 6A.

Dr. Sideman recused from the review and vote on the application under 6E (Adam Worley, Psy.D.).

. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- May 3, 2024 Regular Session Minutes
- May 3, 2024 Executive Session Minutes

B. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

C. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING PSYCHOLOGIST APPLICATIONS

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

- a) Monica Rodriguez Velez, Psy.D.

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

- a) Dawn Emmett Bishop, Ph.D.
- b) Marisa Sanchez, Psy.D.
- c) Elizabeth Corning, Ph.D.
- d) Kari Johnson, Psy.D.
- e) Halle Gydesen, Psy.D.
- f) Mishael Ozed-Williams, Ph.D.
- g) Priyanka Rao, Psy.D.
- h) Madeleine Horn, Psy.D.
- i) Naudia Moorley, Psy.D.

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

- a) Maureen Pierce, Ph.D.
- b) Wayne Hume, Ph.D.
- c) Elizabeth Gaines, Psy.D.
- d) Laura Winstone-Weide, Ph.D.
- e) Maddison Savage, Ph.D.

4. Requesting Approval for Licensure by Credential (A.R.S. § 32-2071.01)

- a) Abigail Wischkaemper, Ph.D., CPQ
- b) Michael Caponi, Psy.D., CPQ

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

- a) Jill Kohn, Ph.D.
- b) Kirsten Jann, Ph.D.
- c) Mark Starr, Ph.D.

D. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING BEHAVIOR ANALYST APPLICATIONS

- 1. Alexandria Wagner, M.Ed.
- 2. Lucero Valenzuela, M.S.
- 3. Margaret Dooley-Loucks, M.A.
- 4. Caitlin Kilgore, M.S.W.
- 5. Brittany Joy, M.A.
- 6. Katarina Alcazar, M.A.
- 7. Hulika Aydin, M.A.
- 8. Maryn Jackson, M.S.
- 9. Mauro Lopez, M.Ed.
- 10. Aamirah Howard, M.S.
- 11. Yang Vang, M.S.
- 12. Shannon Majerczyk, M.A.
- 13. Bailey Barton, M.S.
- 14. Stephanie Volk, M.Ed.
- 15. James Moore, Ph.D.
- 16. Kallie Mincey, M.A.
- 17. Tamara Habern, M.S.
- 18. Cathryn Rice, M.Ed., M.S.

E. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING EPPP RETAKE REQUEST SUBMITTED BY ADAM WORLEY, PSY.D., TEMPORARY LICENSE HOLDER NO. PSY-T-000054

F. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING EPPP RETAKE REQUEST SUBMITTED BY KERREY BOGARDUS, PSY.D., TEMPORARY LICENSE HOLDER NO. PSY-T-000063

MOTION: Mr. Wynn moved for the Board to approve the items listed under the Consent Agenda.

SECOND: Dr. Stewart.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Mr. Dynar, Dr. Davey, Dr. Stewart, Dr. Caterino, Dr. Flint, Dr. Sideman, Dr. Stenhoff, and Mr. Wynn (with recusals as noted).

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recused.

MOTION PASSED.

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

7. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING RENEWAL APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY CHERYL JONES, PSY.D.

Ms. Poe provided a summary of this application matter, noting that it reflects a disclosure of a pending lawsuit against several entities and individuals, including the licensee.

Dr. Jones was present with her attorney Cristy Chait. She addressed the Board, summarizing her client's position and her request in the process. Dr. Jones clarified her role at the agency.

MOTION: Dr. Caterino moved for the Board to approve Dr. Jones' renewal application. The motion included a stipulation that Dr. Jones keep the Board informed of any updates or outcomes with respect to the pending lawsuit.

SECOND: Dr. Stewart.

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

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recused.

MOTION PASSED.

8. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RECOMMENDATION OF THE COMMITTEE ON BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS TO DENY THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY ASHLEY FIORILLI FOR FAILURE TO PAY APPLICATION FEE AND FOR OTHER DOCUMENTATION DEFICIENCIES

Dr. Stenhoff provided a summary of this matter, noting that Ms. Fiorilli disputed with her credit card company the payment to the Board of the required application fee, and she subsequently attempted to unilaterally withdraw her application for licensure. Dr. Stenhoff relayed to the Board the recommendations from the review of this matter by the Committee on Behavior Analysts.

Ms. Fiorilli addressed the Board concerning this matter and responded to questions.

MOTION: Dr. Davey moved for the Board to allow Ms. Fiorilli to withdraw her application upon Board staff receiving confirmation that the \$350 fee has been credited to the Board's account.

SECOND: Dr. Stenhoff

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

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recused.

MOTION PASSED.

9. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE FOLLOWING PSYCHOLOGIST APPLICATIONS FOR EPPP ONLY AND SUPERVISED TEMPORARY LICENSE WITH EPPP

a. Christina Horner, Psy.D., EPPP Only

Dr. Sideman recused from this agenda item. Dr. Caterino provided a historical summary of the application history for this applicant. She noted that she does not identify any deficiencies with this application as the documentation submitted establishes the file is administratively and substantively complete, and that the applicant meets the statutory qualifications to be approved to take the EPPP.

MOTION: Mr. Dynar moved for the Board to approve Dr. Horner’s application.

SECOND: Dr. Stewart

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

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recused.

b. Juan Gonzalez, Psy.D., Supervised Temporary License w/ EPPP

Dr. Sideman recused from this agenda item. Dr. Caterino provided a historical summary of the application history for this applicant. She noted that she sees no deficiencies with this application as the documentation submitted establishes the file is administratively and substantively complete, and that the applicant meets the statutory qualifications to take the EPPP. Dr. Gonzalez was present; he responded to one question posed by Dr. Caterino.

MOTION: Dr. Caterino moved for the Board to approve Dr. Gonzalez’s application for supervised temporary license and to authorize him to sit for the EPPP.

SECOND: Dr. Stewart

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

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recused.

**10. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION RELATING TO
CONSIDERATION OF POSSIBLE MERIT-BASED INCENTIVE PAY FOR BOARD
STAFF**

Ms. Michaelsen provided a summary of the request, noting that the Board has in previous years authorized Agency supervisors to issue merit-based incentives to qualifying staff for their performance; the parameters for such incentives are outlined in the Arizona State Personnel System.

Ms. Michaelsen discussed that they received notification from the office of Governor Katie Hobbs in April that one-time incentive strategies, in addition to other compensation strategies, are on pause until further notice due to the funding shortfall for Fiscal Year 2024. She indicated that the pause has not been lifted since receiving that notification, but that she and Ms. Paakkonen are requesting Board approval in the event that later in June they are advised of the restoration of the program.

MOTION: Mr. Dynar made a motion to allow agency supervisors to move forward with awarding the merit based incentive pay to qualifying staff should the pause for incentive strategies be lifted prior to the conclusion of the fiscal year on June 30, 2024.

SECOND: Dr. Stewart.

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

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recused.

11. NEW AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

No new agenda items were requested.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Dynar announced the adjournment of the meeting at 9:12 a.m.



Joseph B. Stewart, EdD

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Secretary