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Application Review Committee

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**MINUTES OF TELEPHONIC MEETING  
March 28, 2014  
7:30 a.m.**

1400 West Washington  
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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular session of the Arizona State Board of Psychologist Examiners Application Review Committee was called to order by Madam Chair Mellott at 7:03 a.m. on March 28, 2014. No Executive Sessions were held.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Committee Members Participating by Telephone**

Ramona N. Mellott, Ph.D. – Chair  
John P. DiBacco, Ph.D.

**Staff Present**

Cindy Olvey – Executive Director  
Lynanne Chapman – Deputy Director  
Heather Duracinski – Licensing Coordinator

**Attorney General**

Jeanne Galvin, Esq.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- March 4, 2014, Regular Session Minutes

Dr. DiBacco made motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott to approve the March 4, 2014, Regular Session Minutes, as drafted. The motion carried 2-0.

#### 4. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING APPROVAL OF PSYCHOLOGY APPLICANTS

##### **Requesting Approval to sit for Examination (EPPP) & Licensure**

Vanessa Berens, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Berens' application and subsequent submission. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Berens' application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Tiffany Brown, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Brown's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Brown's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Michael Epstein, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Epstein's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Epstein's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Morgan Hall, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Hall's application and subsequent submission. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Hall's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Colleen Kowalke, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Kowalke's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Kowalke's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Amber LaBelle, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. LaBelle's application. Upon review of her Postdoctoral Professional Psychology Experience Verification form from Federal Correctional Institution – La Tuna, Texas, her supervisor, Corinne Ortega, Ph.D., indicated that Dr. LaBelle completed a total of 2,080 hours of experience from September 24, 2012 to September 24, 2013. Dr. Ortega's subsequent calculations indicate that Dr. LaBelle received 104 hours of individual, face-to-face supervision and obtained 900 hours of direct client contact. At this time the Committee can only accept 1,500 hours of Dr. LaBelle's postdoctoral experience. Additionally, the Committee is requesting clarification as to the number of hours Dr. LaBelle received of individual, face-to-face supervision and the number of hours she obtained of direct client contact for only those hours of postdoctoral experience hours she intends to use toward licensure.

Jennifer Loughlin, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Loughlin's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Loughlin's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Safrona Osbeck, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Osbeck’s reapplication. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Osbeck’s reapplication to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Joseph Parham, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Parham’s application. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Parham’s application to the full Board for further review. Specifically, the Committee has concerns regarding the Board’s action(s) taken on Dr. Parham’s previous license (#301) including the August 4, 1997, Order for Revocation of his license (#301).

Megan Petrov, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Petrov’s application and subsequent submission. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Petrov’s application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Rosalinda Reyes, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Reyes’ reapplication. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Reyes’ reapplication to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Anna Torrey, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Torrey’s application. Upon review of her Supervised Psychology Internship or Training Experience form from the Arizona Burn Center, the Committee noted that her supervisor, Rosalia Pereyra, Psy.D. answered “yes” to questions #3 & 4. The Committee noted that Dr. Pereyra sent a subsequent email to the Board office stating that Dr. Torrey’s internship was neither accredited by the American Psychological Association (APA) nor a member of the Association of Psychology Postdoctoral and Internship Centers (APPIC). At this time, the Committee is requesting that Dr. Pereyra submit a corrected form indicating that Dr. Torrey’s internship at the Arizona Burn Center was neither APA approved nor an APPIC member. Additionally, the Committee is requesting that Dr. Torrey submit her written training plan for her internship at the Arizona Burn Center.

Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Dr. DiBacco, to forward the applications of Vanessa Berens, Ph.D., Tiffany Brown, Ph.D., Michael Epstein, Ph.D., Morgan Hall, Ph.D., Colleen Kowalke, Psy.D., Jennifer Loughlin, Ph.D., Safrona Osbeck, Psy.D., Morgan Petrov, Ph.D., and Rosalinda Reyes, Ph.D., to the full Board for review and approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee. The motion carried 2-0.

Dr. Mellott made a motion, Seconded by Dr. DiBacco to issue RAID letters to Amber LaBelle, Psy.D., and Anna Torrey, Ph.D., regarding the deficiencies noted in their applications and to move the application of Joseph Parham, Ph.D. to the full Board for further review. The motion carried (2-0).

#### **Requesting Approval of Licensure by Waiver**

Eileen Leuthe, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Leuthe’s application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move

Dr. Leuthe's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Lori Lichte-Brill, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Lichte-Brill's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Lichte-Brill's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Dr. DiBacco made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to forward the applications of Eileen Leuthe, Ph.D., and Lori Lichte-Brill, Psy.D., to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon payment of the pro-rated licensure fee. The motion carried (2-0).

### **Requesting Approval of Supervised Professional Experience Hours**

Gregory Benson, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Benson's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Benson's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Dr. DiBacco, to forward the application of Gregory Benson, Ph.D., to the full Board for review and approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee. The motion carried 2-0.

## **5. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD PERTAINING TO APPROVAL OF BEHAVIOR ANALYST APPLICANTS**

### **Requesting Approval of Licensure by Experience**

Kellie Band, MA - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Band's application and subsequent submission. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Ms. Band's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Ryan Bergstrom, MA - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Mr. Bergstrom's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Mr. Bergstrom's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Pearson Klein, MA - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Mr. Klein's application. Upon review of his application, the Committee noted that he answered "yes" to question #27 b. – d. Upon review of his Supervised Work Experience or Independent Fieldwork Verification form from the Center for Autism and Related Disorders Inc., the Committee noted that his supervisor, Erica Worcester, answered "no" to question #3 which does not meet the requirement of A.R.S. §32-2091.03(B)(1)(2)(3). The Committee is requesting additional information regarding Mr. Klein's supervised work experience or independent fieldwork hours. The Committee is requesting clarification as to whether his supervised work experience consisted

of conducting behavioral assessments and assessment activities related to the need for behavioral interventions, designing, implementing and monitoring behavior analysis programs for clients and overseeing the implementation of behavior analysis programs for clients.

Dana Pellegrino, MA - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Pellegrino's application and subsequent submission. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Ms. Pellegrino's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Denise Rhine, M.S. - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Rhine's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Ms. Rhine's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Jillian Smith, M.S. - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Smith's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Ms. Smith's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Dr. DiBacco, to forward the applications of Kellie Band, MA, Ryan Bergstrom, MA, Dana Pellegrino, MA, Denise Rhine, M.S., and Jillian Smith, M.S., to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee and to issue a RAID letter to Pearson Klein, MA, regarding the deficiency discussed in his application. The motion carried (2-0).

## **6. NEW AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

There were no new items for future meetings.

## **6. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Dr. DiBacco made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 a.m. The motion carried 2-0.

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**Ramona N. Mellott, Ph.D.**  
**Application Review Committee Chair**