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**MINUTES OF TELEPHONIC MEETING**

**June 2, 2015**

**7:30 a.m.**

1400 West Washington  
Suite #240  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

**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 7:31 a.m. on June 2, 2015. No Executive Sessions were held.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Committee Members Participating by Telephone**

Ramona N. Mellott, Ph.D. – Chair  
Paul Beljan, Psy.D., ABPdN, ABN

**Staff Present**

Cindy Olvey, Psy.D. – Executive Director  
Heather Duracinski – Licensing Coordinator

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Jeanne Galvin, Esq.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- May 5, 2015, Regular Session Minutes

Dr. Beljan made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to approve the May 5, 2015, 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) Only**

Alice Parker, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Parker’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. Parker’s application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP.

Ashley Loeb, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Loeb’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. Loeb’s application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP.

Erin Bartosik, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Bartosik’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. Bartosik’s application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP.

Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Dr. Beljan, to forward the applications of Alice Parker, Psy.D., Ashley Loeb, Ph.D., and Erin Bartosik, Ph.D., to the full Board for review and approval to take the EPPP. The motion carried 2-0.

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

Carisa Authier, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Authier’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. Authier’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.

Casey Iwai, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Iwai’s application. Upon review of his Supervised Psychology Internship or Training Experience form from Gulf Coast Veterans Healthcare System, his Co-Director of Intern Training, Shannon Fussell, Ph.D., indicated that Dr. Iwai obtained 2,185 hours from August 2012-August 2013. The Committee noted that if Dr. Iwai worked 40 hours per week for 52 weeks he would have obtained 2,080 hours of experience. Pursuant to A.R.S. §32-2071(H) the Committee cannot accept more than 40 hours worked per week. At this time, the Committee is requesting clarification as to the number of internship hours Dr. Iwai intends to use toward licensure. Upon review of his Postdoctoral Professional Psychology Experience Verification form from Baylor Scott & White, the Committee noted that his supervisor, Theresa Quinn, Ph.D., indicated that Dr. Iwai worked 45 hours per week for 35 weeks for a total of 1,305 hours. Pursuant to A.R.S. §32-2071(H) the Committee cannot accept more than 40 hours worked per week. At this time, the Committee is requesting clarification as to the number of postdoctoral hours Dr. Iwai intends to use toward licensure.

Emily Bell, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Bell’s application. Upon review of her Preinternship Experience Verification form, The Committee determined that her preinternship experience at Premier Behavioral Health Services does not meet the requirement of A.R.S. §32-2071(E)(4)(C). The Committee determined that Dr. Bell is 222 hours deficient in meeting the 3,000 hour supervised work experience requirement. The

Committee voted to allow Dr. Bell to sit for the EPPP and to submit postdoctoral experience to meet the 3,000 hour supervised work experience requirement.

Emily Grullon, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Grullon's application. Upon review of her Supervised Psychology Internship or Training Experience form from Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, her Navy Training Director, Dr. Richard Bergthold, indicated that Dr. Grullon obtained >2,000 hours during her internship. At this time, the Committee is requesting clarification as to the exact number of internship hours Dr. Grullon intends to use toward licensure. Upon review of her Postdoctoral Professional Psychology Experience Verification form from United States Naval Hospital - Okinawa, the Committee noted that her supervisor, Phillip Dang, Psy.D., indicated that Dr. Grullon obtained 980 hours of experience. The Committee noted that Dr. Grullon has 2,980 hours of supervised experience, which does not meet the requirement of A.R.S. §32-2071(D). At this time, Dr. Grullon is 20 hours deficient in meeting the 3,000 hour supervised experience requirement.

Gregory Benson, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Benson'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. Benson'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.

LaShelle Zellner, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Zellner's application and subsequent submissions. 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. Zellner'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 Bowdren, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Bowdren's application. Upon review of his Supervised Psychology Internship or Training Experience form from Dwight D. Eisenhower Army Medical Center, his Program Director, Dr. Patricia Shanahan, indicated that Dr. Bowdren obtained 2,406 hours from September 30, 2013 – October 3, 2014. The Committee noted that if Dr. Bowdren worked 40 hours per week for 52 weeks the maximum number of hours he could possibly obtain is 2,080 hours of experience. The Committee cannot accept more than 40 hours worked per week pursuant to A.R.S. §32-2071(H). At this time, the Committee is requesting clarification as to the number of internship hours Dr. Bowdren intends to use toward licensure.

Tyler Maxson, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Maxson'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. Maxson'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.

Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Dr. Beljan, to forward the applications of Carisa Authier, Psy.D., Gregory Benson, Ph.D., LaShelle Zellner, Psy.D., and Tyler Maxson, Psy.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, to issue request for additional information and documentation letters to Casey Iwai, Psy.D., Emily Grullon, Ph.D., and Michael Bowdren, Ph.D., regarding the deficiencies discussed in their applications and to approve Emily Bell to take the EPPP while she completes postdoctoral experience. The motion carried 2-0.

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

Colin Pickles, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Pickles' application. Upon review of his Supervised Preinternship Experience Verification form he indicated that his documentation does not breakdown his individual face-to-face and group supervision. Dr. Pickles indicated that the hours he listed on the form are his "best estimates". At this time, the Committee is requesting clarification as to the exact number of individual face-to-face and group supervision hours he received. Dr. Pickles may wish to have his Program Dean, Donna Johnson, Ph.D., submit an attestation of his individual-face-to-face and group supervision hours. Alternatively, he may wish to submit postdoctoral experience to meet the 3,000 hour supervised experience requirement.

Julie L'Esperance, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. L'Esperance'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. L'Esperance's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Khanh Hoang, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Hoang'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. Hoang's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Martin Ward, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Ward'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. Ward's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Mary Jane Rotheram, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Rotheram'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. Rotheram's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Rebecca Kasper, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Kasper'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. Kasper's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Tess Neal, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Neal'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. Neal's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Dr. Beljan made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to forward the applications of Julie L'Esperance, Psy.D., Khanh Hoang, Ph.D., Martin Ward, Ph.D., Mary Jane Rotheram, Ph.D., Rebecca Kasper, Psy.D., and Tess Neal, Ph.D., to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon payment of the pro-

rated licensure fee and to issue a request for additional information and documentation letter to Colin Pickles, Psy.D., regarding the deficiency discussed in his application. The motion carried 2-0.

### **Requesting Approval of Licensure by Credential**

Cheryl-Jean Heintz, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Heintz’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. Heintz’s application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Harry Hoberman, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Hoberman’s application. Upon review of his application, the Committee noted that he answered “yes” to question #19. Additionally, the Committee noted that he is currently licensed as a psychologist in Minnesota and Washington. The Committee is requesting information as to whether he reported his misdemeanor to the Minnesota Board of Psychology and to the State of Washington Department of Health. In the event that he reported to these agencies, the Committee is requesting any information regarding the outcome of any investigation or inquiry into his misdemeanor. Furthermore, the Committee reviewed all of the documentation that Dr. Hoberman submitted pertaining to his misdemeanor and is requesting clarification as to whether he has or is currently seeking any long term rehabilitative care or therapy.

Laura Wendlandt, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Wendlandt’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. Wendlandt’s application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Nicole Nieset, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Nieset’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. Nieset’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. Beljan, to forward the applications of Cheryl-Jean Heintz, Ph.D., Laura Wendlandt, Ph.D., and Nicole Nieset, Ph.D., to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon payment of the pro-rated licensure fee and to issue a request for additional information and documentation letter to Harry Hoberman, Ph.D., regarding the deficiency discussed in his application. 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**

Abbie Tavizon, M.Ed. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Tavizon’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. Tavizon’s application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Adam Hahs, Ph.D. - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Hahs' 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. Hahs' application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Brittany Putnam, Ph.D. - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Putnam'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. Putnam's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Maia Jackson, M.A. - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Jackson'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. Jackson's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Teresa Barnes, M.Ed. - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Barnes' 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. Barnes' 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. Beljan, to forward the applications of Abbie Tavizon, M.Ed., Adam Hahs, Ph.D., Brittany Putnam, Ph.D., Maia Jackson, M.A., and Teresa Barnes, M.Ed., to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee. The motion carried 2-0.

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

There were no requests for future agenda items.

## **6. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Dr. Beljan made motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 a.m. The motion carried 2-0.

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