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REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

June 3, 2016, 7:45 a.m.
1400 W. Washington, Suite 240
Phoenix, AZ 85007

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular session of the Arizona State Board of Psychologist Examiners was called to order by Vice-Chair Shreeve at 7:46 a.m. on June 3, 2016.

2. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present

Tamara Shreeve, MPA – Vice-Chair
Paul Beljan, Psy.D., ABPdN, ABN, Secretary
Bob Bohanske, Ph.D.
Janice K. Brundage, Ph.D.
Joseph C. Donaldson
Lynn L. Flowers, Ph.D. (joined the meeting at 7:56 a.m.)
Rob Robichaud, M.A. CJ, SHRM-CP, PHR - Vice-Chair

Staff Present

Dr. Cindy Olvey, Executive Director
Lynanne Chapman, Deputy Director
Heather Duracinski, Licensing Coordinator
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Attorney General's Office

Jeanne Galvin, Esq.

Board Members Absent

Frederick S. Wechsler, Ph.D., Psy.D., ABPP - Chair

3. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There were no requests to speak.

4. CONSENT AGENDA – DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Due to lack of a quorum to vote on the minutes from March 4, 2016, minutes were removed from the Consent Agenda. Mr. Donaldson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bohanske, to approve the remaining items on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried 7-0.

a. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- ~~March 4, 2016, Regular Session~~
- ~~April 29, 2016, Executive Session (9:27 a.m. – 9:52 a.m.)~~
- ~~April 29, 2016, Executive Session (2:10 p.m. – 2:21 p.m.)~~

b. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING PSYCHOLOGY APPLICATIONS

i. REQUESTING APPROVAL TO SIT FOR EPPP ONLY

- Courtney Baker, Psy.D.
- Emily Bashah, Psy.D.
- Soffia Palsdottir, Psy.D.
- Suzanne Botello, Ph.D.

ii. **REQUESTING APPROVAL TO SIT FOR EPPP AND LICENSURE**

- Aida Fernandez, Ph.D.
- Christina Ortega, Psy.D.
- Deborah Richardson, Ph.D.
- Holly Gartler, Ph.D.
- Justin Chen, Psy.D.
- Maria Mendoza-Rodriguez, Psy.D.

iii. **REQUESTING APPROVAL OF LICENSURE BY WAIVER**

- Alison Paules-Rettew, Psy.D.
- Dara Rampersad, Ph.D.
- Lindsay Lennertz, Psy.D.
- Ryan Adams, Ph.D.
- Steven Marrinson, Ph.D.

iv. **REQUESTING APPROVAL OF LICENSURE BY CREDENTIAL**

- Emily Wisniewski, Psy.D.

v. **REQUESTING APPROVAL OF SUPERVISED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE HOURS**

- Holly Doolin, Psy.D.
- Kristen Sergeant, Ph.D.

c. **DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING BEHAVIOR ANALYST APPLICATIONS**

- Debra Villa, M.Ed.
- Erin Bartosik, Ph.D.
- Jenny Kim, M.Ed.
- Mandana Kajian, M.Ed.
- Maria Earley, M.A.T.
- Mary DeCarlo, M.Ed.
- Michele Vail, M.A.
- Nicole Henson, M.S.Ed.
- Ramona Lopez, M.S.
- Samantha Lemons, M.A.

d. **DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING REQUEST FOR REACTIVATION OF INACTIVE BEHAVIOR ANALYST LICENSE FROM RENEE WOZNIAK, PH.D.**

e. **DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO SIT FOR THE EPPP FROM COMEL BELIN, PH.D.**

f. **DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING REQUEST FOR EXTENSION FO TIME TO SIT FOR THE EPPP FROM EVELYN FARRELL, PH.D.**

- g. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING REQUEST FOR A SECOND EXTENSION OF TIME TO SIT FOR THE EPPP FROM KADE JOHNSON, PH.D.**
 - h. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO SIT FOR THE EPPP FROM KELLE WATSON-ENGLISH, PSY.D.**
 - i. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING REQUEST FOR REINSTATEMENT OF EXPIRED PSYCHOLOGY LICENSE FROM SONYA KHILNANI, PH.D.**
 - j. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING DETERMINATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH NON-DISCIPLINARY CONSENT AGREEMENT REGARDING DR. CRAYDON MCDONALD, PH.D.**
 - k. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING REQUEST FOR REACTIVATION OF INACTIVE PSYCHOLOGIST LICENSE FROM ROBERT BILBREY, PH.D.**
- 5. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REQUEST FOR RELEASE FROM PROBATION AND PRACTICE MONITOR FOR JULIO RAMIREZ, PH.D.**

Ms. Chapman provided a summary stating that the Board office received a request from Dr. Ramirez's legal counsel, Larry Cohen, that Dr. Ramirez be released from his Consent Agreement for probation and practice monitor. She stated that Dr. Ramirez's practice monitor supports his request to be released from the Consent Agreement. Mr. Cohen was present and made a statement affirming that Dr. Ramirez has completed all terms of the Consent Agreement and is respectfully requesting release from the terms of the Consent Agreement. After deliberation, Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Brundage, to release Dr. Ramirez from the terms of the Consent Agreement. The motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Flowers joined the meeting at 7:56 a.m.

6. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE AS A PSYCHOLOGIST SUBMITTED BY STEPHANIE KORFF, PH.D. AND POSSIBLE DENIAL OF THE SAME

Dr. Beljan provided a summary to the Board stating that on December 8, 2015, the Application Review Committee (Committee) met and reviewed Dr. Korff's application. The Committee voted to issue Dr. Korff an additional information request letter regarding, expiration of her Colorado license, degree conferral, her use of the term "clinical psychologist", reference letter, syllabi for all coursework and her preinternship, internship and postdoctoral experiences. On April 29, 2016, the Committee met and reviewed Dr. Korff's application and subsequent submission. The Committee noted that Dr. Korff did not submit her syllabi as requested and that she made numerous mistakes on her application. The Committee voted to request that Dr. Korff submit her syllabi and to forward her application to the full Board for further review.

After deliberation, Dr. Beljan made a motion, seconded by Dr. Brundage, to request that she complete a new application in its entirety. The application must be neat, organized and accurate. Additional documentation to be provided includes, photo copies of course descriptions from the University catalog for the coursework she lists on her application. Course descriptions must be organized and labeled to correspond with the courses she lists on her application. Only catalog pages relevant to her courses should be submitted. New references who are licensed psychologists and are familiar with her

work experience within the last three years from the date of her application need to be submitted. The Board cannot accept a reference form from Mike Atkinson, Psy.D., as he indicated that he is not familiar with her work experience within the last three years. New supervised work experience verification forms are required for the supervised work experience hours she is applying toward licensure. Documentation of her supervision (supervision logs) is required for the supervised work experience hours she is applying toward licensure. A letter from her Doctoral Program Training Director that indicates the specific day her degree requirements were met is also required. The motion carried 8-0.

7. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF REVISION TO THE DRAFT RULES FOR PSYCHOLOGY AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF PROPOSED PSYCHOLOGY RULES FOR SUBMISSION TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Dr. Mellott provided a summary to the Board stating that revisions to the psychology rules are recommended by the Rules Committee. In addition, the Governor's Regulatory Review Council completed a courtesy review of the psychology rules and posed questions that resulted in recommended changes. Changes are recommended in sections that include rules for telepractice, supervision through telepractice, fees, temporary licensure, reactivation of inactive license, clarification of domestic violence and child abuse continuing education, and disciplinary supervision. After deliberation, Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Dr. Beljan, to approve the revisions to the rules and submit the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to the Secretary of State. The motion carried 8-0.

8. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING POSSIBLE STATEMENT TO THE PUBLIC PERTAINING TO TELEPRACTICE RULEMAKING FOR PSYCHOLOGY AND POSSIBLE REFERENCE TO DRAFT RULES FOR GUIDANCE UNTIL RULES BECOME FINAL

Dr. Mellott provided a summary to the Board stating that rules for telepractice will not be finalized by the June 30, 2016, deadline as previously planned. She indicated that the Committee is recommending a Substantive Policy Statement informing the public that, in the event it would be beneficial for the Board to refer to rules pertaining to telepractice and/or telepractice supervision prior to implementation of the rules, the Board may refer to the draft rules to provide guidance. The Substantive Policy Statement is before the Board for review with a recommendation of approval. After deliberation, Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Dr. Flowers, to approve the Substantive Policy Statement and to direct the Board's Executive Director, Dr. Cindy Olvey, to file the Substantive Policy Statement with the Secretary of State. The motion carried 8-0.

9. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING PROPOSED CONSENT AGREEMENT AND POSSIBLE RESCISSION OF REFERRAL TO INFORMAL INTERVIEW FOR JULIA LESSELYONG, PH.D. (RFI 16-04)

Ms. Chapman provided a summary to the Board stating that at its April 29, 2016, meeting, the Board reviewed RFI 16-04 and voted to forward it to an Informal Interview. Subsequently, Dr. Lesselyong's legal counsel, Kathleen Brody, submitted a proposed Consent Agreement for probation and practice monitor in lieu of an Informal Interview to the Board office. Ms. Chapman summarized the stipulations of the proposed Consent Agreement stating that it is before the Board for review.

The Complainant, J.S., was present telephonically, requested to speak, made a statement and answered Board members' questions. The Complainant stated that RFI 16-04 should continue to an Informal Interview as he submitted additional information confirming his original allegations. Board members

asked Complainant if he received the evaluation. The Complainant confirmed that he received the evaluation.

Dr. Lesselyong and Ms. Brody were present, requested to speak, made statements and answered Board members questions. Ms. Brody confirmed that she personally gave the Complainant a copy of the evaluation at the April 29, 2016, Board meeting and that Dr. Lesselyong returned the Complainant's phone calls on several occasions.

Board members deliberated, and discussed whether fraudulent statements were made to the Board. Board members discussed adding language in the proposed Consent Agreement that would require Dr. Lesselyong to include specific language in the written informed consent to inform patients, especially those patients who are in rehab facilities, about the licensee's role in providing assessments in evaluations; specify that she will not conduct both evaluation and treatment; communicate how the results will be coordinated and with whom; and state how the patient will obtain access to the record and be able to contact the licensee. After deliberation, Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Brundage, to accept the proposed Consent Agreement with the addition of the language noted above. The motion carried 7-1 on a roll call vote with Dr. Beljan voting no. Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Flowers, to vacate the Informal Interview for RFI 16-04. The motion carried 8-0.

10. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE AS A PSYCHOLOGIST SUBMITTED BY ERIC BISCOGLIO, PSY.D.

Dr. Brundage recused from reviewing this agenda item. Dr. Beljan provided a summary to the Board stating that the Application Review Committee met to review applications on May 31, 2016, and a Committee member recused from reviewing Dr. Biscoglio's application. Due to lack of a quorum his application was forwarded to the Board for substantive review. Upon review, the Board noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. After deliberation, Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Mr. Donaldson, to approve the application of Eric Biscoglio, Ph.D., to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the prorated license fee. The motion carried 6-1-1 with Dr. Brundage recused and Dr. Flowers voting no.

11. CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

Approval of Minutes

- March 4, 2016, Regular Session
- April 29, 2016, Executive Session (9:27 a.m. – 9:52 a.m.)
- April 26, 2016, Executive Session (2:10 p.m. – 2:21 p.m.)

This item was previously removed from the Consent Agenda due to lack of a quorum. Vice-Chair Shreeve noted that Dr Flowers joined the meeting at 7:56 a.m. and there is now a quorum to approve the minutes. Dr. Beljan, Dr. Brundage and Mr. Donaldson abstained from voting on the March 4, 2016, Regular Session minutes. Dr. Brundage abstained from voting the April 29, 2016, Executive Session minutes (9:27 a.m. – 9:52 a.m.). Dr. Beljan made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bohanske, to approve the minutes as drafted. The motion carried 8-0.

12. NEW AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

There were no items for future meetings.

13. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Donaldson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 a.m. The Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Beljan, Psy.D., ABPdN, ABN
Secretary