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**MINUTES OF TELEPHONIC MEETING
September 2, 2014
7:30 a.m.**

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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 7:35 a.m. on September 2, 2014. No Executive Sessions were held.

2. ROLL CALL

Committee Members Participating by Telephone

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

Staff Present

Lynanne Chapman – Deputy Director
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3. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING APPROVAL OF PSYCHOLOGY APPLICANTS

Requesting Approval to sit for Examination (EPPP) & Licensure

Carisa Authier, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Authier's application. Upon review of Dr. Authier's Core Program Requirements, the Committee noted that she indicated she received:

- 2 Trimester hours in Scientific and Professional Ethics and Standards in Psychology
- 4 Trimester hours in Biological Basis of Behavior
- 3 Trimester hours in Cognitive-Affective Basis of Behavior
- 3 Trimester hours in The Social Basis of Behavior

At this time Dr. Authier is 4 trimester hours deficient in meeting the Ethics requirement, 2 trimester hours deficient in meeting the Biological Basis of Behavior requirement, 3 trimester hours deficient in meeting the Cognitive-Affective Basis of Behavior requirement and 3 trimester hours deficient in meeting the Social Basis of Behavior requirement pursuant to A.R.S. §32-2071(A)(4)(a)(c)(d)(e). At this time, the Committee is requesting that Dr. Authier submit additional information regarding her coursework or she may take additional coursework to meet statutory requirement.

Jordana Katz, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Katz’s application. Upon review of her Supervised Psychology Internship or Training Experience Verification form from County of Orange Health Care Agency, Youth & Family Resource Center, the Committee noted that Dr. Andrew Hadden answered no to question #24 which does not meet the requirement of A.R.S. §32-2071(F)(9). Although Dr. Hadden provided documentation that Dr. Katz’s internship was CAPPIC approved, the Committee is requesting additional information regarding the breadth, depth and quality of her internship. Additionally, the Committee noted that Dr. Katz completed two internships as follows:

- South Bay Mental Health Center/Los Angeles Co. Department of Mental Health from September 2007 – August 2008. She obtained a total of 756 hours and:
 - Received 88 hours of individual face-to-face supervision and;
 - Obtained 190 hours of direct client contact.

- County of Orange Health Care Agency, Youth & Family Resource Center from September 2008 – July 2009. She obtained a total of 855.75 hours and:
 - Received 88 hours of individual face-to-face supervision and;
 - Obtained 190 hours of direct client contact.

The Committee noted that Dr. Katz’s individual face-to-face supervision and direct client contact hours for each internship are identical. At this time, the Committee is requesting clarification as to whether the calculations for individual face-to-face supervision and direct client contact hours are correct.

Kaysha Richards, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Richards’ 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. Richards’ 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.

LaShelle Zellner, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Zellner’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. Zellner’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.

Mary Orias, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Orias’ 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. Orias’ 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.

Michael Epstein, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Epstein’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. Epstein’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.

Rachel Loftis, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Loftis’ 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. Loftis’ 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.

Rebecca Gerard, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Gerard’s application. Upon review of her Postdoctoral Professional Psychology Experience Verification form from Madigan Army Medical Center, the Committee noted that her Program Director, Dr. April Fritch, indicated Dr. Gerard completed a total of 1,246.25 hours of experience from September 2013, to July 2014. Dr. Fritch’s subsequent calculations indicate that Dr. Gerard worked 40+ hours per week for 42 weeks and obtained 369.75 hours of direct client contact which does not meet the requirement of A.R.S. §32-2071(G)(5). At this time, Dr. Gerard is 128.75 hours deficient in direct client contact hours. Additionally, the Committee can only accept 40 hours of work per week pursuant to Pursuant to A.R.S. §32-2071(H).

Robin Garrett, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Garrett’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. Garrett’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.

Rosangela Salomon, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Salomon’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. Salomon’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.

Sara Gruzlewski, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Gruzlewski’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. Gruzlewski’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.

Sarah Thompson, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Thompson’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. Thompson’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.

Synthia Puffenberger, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Puffenberger’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. Puffenberger’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. Beljan, to forward the applications of Kaysha Richards, Psy.D., LaShelle Zellner, Psy.D., Mary Orias, Psy.D., Michael Epstein Ph.D., Rachel Loftis, Ph.D., Robin Garrett, Psy.D., Rosangela Salomon, Psy.D., Sara Gruzlewski, Psy.D., Sarah Thompson, Psy.D., and Synthia Puffenberger, 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 and to issue RAID letters to Carisa Authier, Psy.D., Jordana Katz, Psy.D., and Rebecca Gerard, Psy.D., regarding the deficiencies noted in their applications. The motion carried 2-0.

Requesting Approval of Licensure by Waiver

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

Kimberly Weingart, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Weingart's application. Upon review of her Supervised Psychology Internship or Training Experience Verification form from Sharp Pain Rehabilitation Program, the Committee noted that Dr. Raoul Harpin answered no to question #13 which does not meet the requirement of A.R.S. §32-2071(F)(2). The Committee is requesting clarification as to whether Dr. Weingart's Internship at Sharp Pain Rehabilitation Program provided a licensed psychologist as a secondary supervisor. Upon review of her Supervised Psychology Internship or Training Experience Verification form from the San Diego State University Research Foundation, the Committee noted that Dr. Mary Mulvihill indicated that Dr. Weingart worked 22 hours per week for 50 weeks and received 3 hours of individual face-to-face supervision which does not meet the requirement of A.R.S. §32-2071(F)(6). At this time, the Committee is requesting clarification as to how many hours Dr. Weingart received of individual, face-to-face supervision during her internship at San Diego State University Research Foundation.

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

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

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

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

Susan Stivers, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Stiver’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. Stiver’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 Ashley Kirby-Ward, Ph.D., Lesley Manson, Psy.D., Lilia Miramontes, Ph.D., Sandra Knight, Psy.D., Suniya Luthar, Ph.D., and Susan Stivers, Psy.D., to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon payment of the pro-rated licensure fee, and to issue a RAID letter to Kimberly Weingart, Ph.D., regarding the deficiencies noted in her application. The motion carried 2-0.

Requesting Approval of Licensure by Credential

Julie Cajolet-Eckhardt, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Cajolet-Eckhardt’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. Cajolet-Eckhardt’s application to the full Board for approval of licensure upon payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Dr. Beljan, to forward the application of Julie Cajolet-Eckhardt, 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 and Licensure

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

Haley Oliver, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Oliver’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. Oliver’s application to the full Board for approval of licensure upon payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Kathleen Bree, Psy.D. – Dr. Beljan recused from reviewing Dr. Bree’s application. Due to lack of a quorum, Dr. Bree’s application was moved to the full Board for review.

Rachel Mark, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Mark’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. Mark’s application to the full Board for approval of licensure upon payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Dr. Beljan, to forward the applications of Emery Mahoney, Ph.D., Haley Oliver, Psy.D., and Rachel Mark, Psy.D., to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon payment of the pro-rated licensure fee and to move Kathleen Bree, Psy.D., application to the full Board for review due to lack of a quorum. The motion carried 2-0.

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

Requesting Approval of Licensure by Experience

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

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

Kyle Lininger, MPA - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Mr. Lininger'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 Mr. Lininger's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

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

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

Thomas Szabo, Ph.D. - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Szabo's application. Upon review of his application, the Committee noted that his master's degree from the University of Nevada, Reno was conferred on August 14, 2009, and that his supervised work experience or independent fieldwork was completed from August 2003 to August 2005. This may not meet the requirements of A.R.S. §32-2091.03(A)(2). At this time, the Committee is requesting clarification as to when Dr. Szabo's supervised work experience or independent fieldwork was completed.

Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Dr. Beljan, to forward the applications of Christine Wentz, M.Ed., Erin Guzinski, MA, Kyle Lininger, MPA, Lindsay Abbott, MA, and Terri Wright, M.Ed., 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 Thomas Szabo, Ph.D., regarding the deficiencies noted in his application. The motion carried 2-0.

5. NEW AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

There were no items for future meetings.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Dr. Beljan made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 a.m. The motion carried 2-0.

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