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Application Review Committee

MINUTES OF TELEPHONIC MEETING

September 29, 2017

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 Chairman Bohanske at 7:30 a.m. on September 29, 2017. No Executive Sessions were held.

2. ROLL CALL

Committee Members Participating by Telephone

Frederick S. Wechsler, Ph.D., Psy.D., ABPP – Chair
Bob Bohanske, Ph.D.

Staff Present

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

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3. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING APPROVAL OF PSYCHOLOGY APPLICANTS

Requesting Approval to sit for Examination (EPPP) ONLY

Sarah Jutrzonka, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Jutrzonka's application and subsequent submission. Upon review of the additional submission, the Committee noted that she is requesting to sit for the EPPP only instead of pursuing exam and licensure. Additionally, the Committee noted that she did not address the Committee's concerns regarding her postdoctoral experience. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Jutrzonka's application to the Board for further review of her request.

Dr. Wechsler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bohanske, to forward the application of Sarah Jutrzonka, Ph.D., to the Board for further review of her request to take the EPPP. The motion carried 2-0.

Requesting Approval to sit for Examination (EPPP) & Licensure

Devin Lincenberg, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Lincenberg’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. Lincenberg’s application to the Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the prorated license fee.

Heather Koutsogiannis, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Koutsogiannis’ 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. Koutsogiannis’ reapplication to the Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the prorated license fee.

Imecca Akpa, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Akpa’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. Akpa’s application to the Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the prorated license fee.

Jeffrey Grant, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Grant’s application. Upon review of his core program requirements, the Committee noted that the following courses do not meet the ethics requirement pursuant to A.R.S. §32-2071(A)(4)(a) (*Scientific and professional ethics and standards in psychology*):

- *Principles of Clinical Supervision/Consultation (CL752)*
- *Professional Development Seminar II (CL756)*
- *Professional Development Seminar III (CL757)*

At this time Dr. Grant is three hours deficient in meeting the scientific and professional ethics standards in psychology. The Committee noted that he may wish to submit the syllabi for the above noted courses. Additionally, the Committee noted he has the option to submit his comprehensive examination to fulfill the ethics requirement (R4-26-202(D)(E)).

Mary Barnes-Palty, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Barnes-Palty’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. Barnes-Palty’s application to the Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the prorated license fee.

Rhonda Smith, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Smith’s application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the Internship Syllabus was submitted as the written training plan. It was the consensus of the Committee to forward Dr. Smith’s application to the Board for further review of the Internship Syllabus.

Robyn Galbraith, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Galbraith’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. Galbraith’s application to the Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the prorated license fee.

Tara Blumeyer, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Blumeyer’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. Blumeyer’s application to the Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the prorated license fee.

Tracy Cooper, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Cooper’s application. Upon review of her core program requirements, the Committee noted that *Individual and Family Psychopathology* does not meet the Biological Basis of Behavior requirement pursuant to A.R.S. §32-2071(A)(4)(c). At this time she is one credit deficient in meeting the Biological Basis of Behavior requirement. Upon review of her core program requirements, the Committee noted that *Theory of Counseling and Psychotherapy* and *Problem Solving Therapy and Counseling* does not meet the Cognitive-Affective Basis of Behavior requirement pursuant to A.R.S. §32-2071(A)(4)(d). At this time she is 4.25 credits deficient in meeting the Cognitive-Affective Basis of Behavior requirement. The Committee is requesting clarification as to how she met the Biological Basis of Behavior and the Cognitive-Affective requirements. Additionally, the Committee noted that Pacifica Graduate Institute awards quarter units. Dr. Cooper indicated that all of her coursework was awarded semester hours. The Committee is requesting that she correct the Core Program Requirements on pages 10 and 11 of the application. Upon review of her Supervised Psychology Internship or Training Experience Verification forms the Committee noted the following:

Site	Supervisor	Dates of Supervision	Total Hours
Interfaith Community Services	Dr. Sarette Zecharia	5/2/2016 to 2/2017	894.3
MD24 House Call	Dr. Sarette Zecharia	5/2/2016 to 2/2017	894.3

The Committee noted that her supervisor, dates of experience and total experience hours for both of her internship experiences are exactly the same. The Committee is requesting clarification as to her supervisor’s relationship with Interfaith Community Services and MD24 House Call (e.g. on staff as supervisor vs. contracted). Additionally, the Committee is requesting that she provide clarification regarding her relationship and her title at the internship sites. Furthermore, the Committee is requesting that she provide documentation of her hours (supervision logs) as proof of the hours she obtained. Additionally, the Committee noted that the written training plans for both of her internship experiences appear to outline her job duties and do not meet the requirements of a written training plan. The Committee is requesting clarification from Dr. Cooper and her supervisor as to how her internship experiences meet the requirement of A.R.S. §32-2071(F) and Arizona Administrative Code R4-26-210(B). Upon review of her Postdoctoral Professional Psychology Experience Verification forms the Committee noted the following:

Site	Supervisor	Dates of Supervision	Total Hours
Interfaith Community Services	Dr. Sarette Zecharia	2/2017 to 4/14/2017	180
MD24 House Call	Dr. Sarette Zecharia	2/2017 to 4/14/2017	180

The Committee noted that her supervisor, dates of experience and total experience hours for both of her postdoctoral experiences are exactly the same. The Committee is requesting clarification as to her and her supervisor’s relationship with Interfaith Community Services and MD24 House Call. Additionally, the Committee noted that she received 29 hours of direct client contact hours

at Interfaith Community Services and 70 hours of direct client contact hours at MD24 House Call which does not meet the requirement of A.R.S. §32-2071(G)(5). At this time Dr. Cooper is 43 hours deficient in meeting the direct client contact hours at Interfaith Community Services and is 2 hours deficient in meeting the direct client contact hours at MD24 House Call.

Dr. Wechsler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bohanske, to forward the applications of Devin Lincenberg, Psy.D., Heather Koutsogiannis, Psy.D., Imecca Akpa, Psy.D., Mary Barnes-Palty, Psy.D., Robyn Galbraith, Psy.D., and Tara Blumeyer, Psy.D., to the Board for review and approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the prorated license fee, to issue additional information request letters to Jeffrey Grant, Ph.D., and Tracy Cooper, Ph.D., regarding the deficiencies discussed in their applications, and to forward the application of Rhonda Smith, Ph.D., to the Board for further review of her application. The motion carried 2-0.

Requesting Approval of Licensure by Waiver

Dev Ashish, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Ashish’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. Ashish’s application to the Board for approval of licensure upon payment of the prorated license fee.

Evan Espinosa, Psy.D., – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Espinosa’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. Espinosa’s application to the Board for approval of licensure upon payment of the prorated license fee.

Hiroko Tanaka, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Tanaka’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. Tanaka’s application to the Board for approval of licensure upon payment of the prorated license fee.

Kendal Kershner, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Kershner’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. Kershner’s application to the Board for approval of licensure upon payment of the prorated license fee.

Leslie Montijo-Tai, Psy.D. – Dr. Bohanske recused from reviewing Dr. Montijo-Tai’s application. Due to lack of a quorum her application was forwarded to the Board for substantive review.

Steven Bennett, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Bennett’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. Bennett’s application to the Board for approval of licensure upon payment of the prorated license fee.

Dr. Wechsler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bohanske, to forward the applications of Dev Ashish, Ph.D., Evan Espinosa, Psy.D., Hiroko Tanaka, Ph.D., Kendal Kershner, Psy.D., and Steven Bennett, Psy.D., to the Board for review and approval of licensure upon payment of the pro-rated licensure fee

and to move the application of Leslie Montijo-Tai, Psy.D., to the Board for substantive review due to lack of a quorum. The motion carried 2-0.

Requesting Approval of Supervised Experience

Carl Isenhardt, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Isenhardt’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. Isenhardt’s application to the Board for approval of licensure upon payment of the prorated license fee.

Dr. Wechsler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bohanske, to forward the application of Carl Isenhardt, Psy.D., to the Board for review and approval of licensure upon payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Requesting Approval of Supervised Experience

Eileen Hancock, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Hancock’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. Hancock’s application to the Board for review and approval of her supervised experience and licensure upon payment of the prorated license fee.

Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Flowers, to forward the application of Eileen Hancock, Psy.D., to the Board for approval of her supervised work experience and licensure upon payment of the prorated license fee. The motion carried 2-0.

4. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD PERTAINING TO APPROVAL OF TEMPORARY LICENSE APPLICANTS AND APPROVAL OF POSTDOCTORAL WRITTEN TRAINING PLAN

Anna Darbonne-Bjorndal, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Darbonne-Bjorndal’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. Darbonne-Bjorndal’s application to the Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee and to sit for the EPPP.

Laurel Reed, Psy.D. – Dr. Wechsler recused from reviewing Dr. Reed’s application. Due to lack of quorum her application was forwarded to the Board for substantive review.

Nicole Mirkin, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Mirkin’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. Mirkin’s application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee and to sit for the EPPP.

Stephanie Hatch, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Hatch’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. Hatch’s application to the Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee and to sit for the EPPP.

Dr. Wechsler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bohanske, to forward the applications of Anna Darbonne-Bjorndal, Psy.D., Nicole Mirkin, Psy.D., and Stephanie Hatch, Psy.D., to the full Board to sit for the EPPP and for approval of licensure upon receipt of the license fee and to forward the application of Laurel Reed, Psy.D., to the Board for substantive review due to lack of a quorum. 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

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

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

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

Monica Hernandez, M.A. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Hernandez’s application. The Committee noted that her graduate degree from ASU is in Elementary Education with a concentration in Teacher Certification. The Committee is requesting clarification pertaining to how she meets coursework requirements of R4-26-405.

Samantha McKenna, M.S. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. McKenna’s application. Upon review of her Supervised Work Experience or Independent Fieldwork Verification forms, the Committee noted the following:

<u>Site</u>	<u>Supervisor</u>	<u>Dates of Supervision</u>	<u>Total Hours</u>
University of Rochester	Dr. David Donnelly	5/14/ 2014 to 8/13/2014	76.75 Practicum and 192.5 Intensive Practicum
Hope Group, LLC	Dr. Diana Wilson	8/9/15 to 6/11/16	1,091
Trumpet Behavioral Health	Allie Zeller	8/2016 to 2/2016	427

The Committee noted that she answered “yes” to question #24 on page 5 of the application:

If yes, did you complete 1,500 hours of supervised work experience or independent fieldwork in the practice of applied behavior analysis in no less than 12 months?

The Committee noted that her response to question #24 does not correlate with the dates of her supervision hours. The Committee is requesting that she provide clarification regarding her response.

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

Dr. Wechsler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bohanske, to forward the applications of Anne Bonomo, M.Ed., Christopher Margaritis, M.Ed., Daniel Bullara, Ph.D., and Yvette Margaillan, M.Ed., to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee and to issue additional information request letters to Monica Hernandez, M.A., and Samantha McKenna, M.S., regarding the deficiencies discussed in their applications. The motion carried 2-0.

6. NEW AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Committee members requested that an item pertaining to postdoctoral experience be placed on a future agenda. Specifically, whether more than one supervisor should be required and to review the 1,500 hour requirement.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Dr. Bohanske made motion, seconded by Dr. Wechsler, to adjourn the meeting at 9:25a.m. The motion carried 2-0.

Frederick S. Wechsler, Ph.D., Psy.D., ABPP
Application Review Committee Chair