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REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

Friday, July 12, 2013, 7:45a.m.
1400 W. Washington, Suite 235
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1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular session of the Arizona State Board of Psychologist Examiners was called to order by Madam Chair Brundage at 7:47 a.m. on July 12, 2013. No Executive Sessions were held.

2. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present

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Attorney General’s Office

Jeanne Galvin, Esq.

3. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There were no requests to speak.

4. COUNSEL REPORT

Ms. Galvin reported that judicial review pertaining to Dr. Jean Hodgson was heard on June 10, 2013, and that she is awaiting the judicial decision.

5. CONSENT AGENDA - DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Dr. Wechsler moved to approve the consent agenda; seconded by Mr. Donaldson. The motion carried 8-0.

(a) DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING PSYCHOLOGY APPLICATIONS

i. REQUESTING APPROVAL FOR EXAM (EPPP) ONLY

- Heather Brister, Ph.D.
- Judith Browne, Psy.D.
- Jason Norlien, Psy.D.

- Sarah Petty, Psy.D.

ii. REQUESTING APPROVAL FOR EXAM AND LICENSURE

- Sarah Burger, Ph.D.
- Ernesto Caraveo, Psy.D.
- Stephanie Evans, Ph.D.
- Janna Kautz, Ph.D.
- Konstantinos Thomopoulos, Psy.D.

iii. REQUESTING APPROVAL OF LICENSURE BY WAIVER

- Katie Eklund, Ph.D.
- Sharon Perugini, Ph.D.
- Ann Sartori, Psy.D.
- Nader Siahdohoni, Ph.D.
- Nikol Stancato, Psy.D.
- Juli Vierthaler, Psy.D.

iv. REQUESTING APPROVAL OF LICENSURE BY CREDENTIAL

- Christopher Braley, Psy.D, CPQ
- Sarah Stookey, Ph.D., NRHSPP

v. REQUESTING APPROVAL OF SUPERVISED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE HOURS AND LICENSURE

- Lauren Koep, Psy.D.

(b) DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING BEHAVIOR ANALYST APPLICATIONS

- Fernando Armendariz, Ph.D.
- Sharon Robinson, M.S.
- Katrina Warriner, M.C.

(c) DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING DR. ARNOLD THAW'S REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO RETIRE HIS MEDICAL INACTIVE LICENSE

(d) REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO TAKE EPPP EXAM FROM ROSE MARIE NUNEZ, PSY.D.

6. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION RELATING TO JUDGE SHEDDEN'S RECOMMENDED DECISION IN CASE NO. 13F-1241-SYA REGARDING LYDIA GARRETT, PH.D. AND CONSIDERATION AND ACTION CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDED FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND RECOMMENDED ORDER INCLUDING THE POSSIBLE IMPOSITION OF DISCIPLINE AGAINST DR. GARRETT'S LICENSE

Ms. Galvin, Assistant Attorney General representing the State of Arizona in this matter, addressed the Board stating that a Formal Hearing took place pertaining to Dr. Garrett. Ms. Galvin urged the Board to adopt the Administrative Law Judge's recommendation. Chris Munns, Assistant Attorney General, representing the Board in this matter, was present. Dr. Garrett was not present.

Madam Chair Brundage asked each Board member to affirm that they read the transcript of the Formal Hearing. All Board members affirmed that they read the transcript.

After deliberation, Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Mr. Robichaud, to accept the Administrative Law Judge's Findings of Facts. The motion carried 8-0.

After deliberation, Mr. Donaldson made a motion, seconded by Dr. DiBacco, to accept the Administrative Law Judge's Conclusions of Law. The motion carried 8-0.

After deliberation, Mr. Donaldson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bohanske, to accept the recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge. The motion carried 8-0 on a roll call vote.

7. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE AS A PSYCHOLOGIST SUBMITTED BY ROSEMARY MCHUGH, PH.D. AND POSSIBLE DENIAL OF THE SAME

Dr. Mellott provided a summary to the Board stating that Dr. McHugh has previously applied for licensure and did not meet statutory requirements. Dr. Mellott stated that Dr. McHugh's supervised experience, degree and residency may not meet statutory requirements for her current application.

Dr. McHugh was present telephonically, requested to speak, made a statement and answered Board members' questions. Board members asked Dr. McHugh if she was denied a Certificate of Professional Qualification (CPQ). Dr. McHugh affirmed that she was denied a CPQ.

After deliberation, Dr. Bohankse made a motion, seconded by Dr. Wechsler to allow Dr. McHugh to withdraw her application within seven business days or her application will be denied on the basis of her residency, core program requirements, supervised experience and degree does not meet the statutory requirements. The motion carried 8-0 on a roll call vote.

8. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION PERTAINING TO LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Dr. Olvey provided a summary to the Board stating that the request for additional appropriation for security was approved by the legislature. Dr. Olvey provided a summary of the Bills that the Board has been tracking as to whether they were passed or vetoed.

9. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING RESPONSES RELATED TO QUESTIONS ON THE LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION

a. Lawrence Meitlis, Ph.D.

Ms. Duracinski provided a summary to the Board stating that Dr. Meitlis did not provide documentation of lawful presence in the United States with the submission of his 2013-2015 renewal application. Although, Dr. Meitlis currently resides in Israel, he must provide proof that he may lawfully be present in the U.S. Subsequently, Board staff requested that Dr. Meitlis provide documentation on numerous occasions. After deliberation, Dr. Wechsler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Donaldson to allow Dr. Meitlis to withdraw his 2013-2015 renewal application within seven days or his renewal application will be denied due to not providing documentation of lawful presence in the U.S. The motion carried 8-0.

b. Sharon Von Lentz, Ph.D.

Ms. Duracinski provided a summary to the Board. After deliberation, Dr. DiBacco made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bohanske to approve Dr. Von Lentz's renewal application. The motion carried 8-0.

Kelli Riley, M.Ed.

Ms. Duracinski provided a summary to the Board. Ms. Riley was present telephonically, requested to speak, made a statement and answered Board members questions. After deliberation, Mr. Donaldson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Wechsler to approve Ms. Riley's renewal application. The motion carried 8-0.

c. Richard Kapp, Ph.D.

Ms. Martin provided a summary to the Board. After deliberation, Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Wechsler, to approve Dr. Kapp's renewal application. The motion carried 8-0.

10. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION PERTAINING TO THE PROCESSING OF RENEWAL APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BETWEEN JULY 1, 2013, AND MAY 1, 2014, PURSUANT TO A.R.S. §32-2074(B) FOR PSYCHOLOGISTS AND A.R.S. §32-3091.07(B) FOR BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS

Dr. Olvey provided a summary to the Board stating that Board staff is seeking direction from the Board regarding 2013-2015 renewal applications that are received between July 1, 2013, and May 1, 2014. After deliberation, Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to delegate authority to Board staff to consult with the Continuing Education Committee Chair to review the continuing education documentation submitted with the 2013-2015 renewals received between July 1, 2013, and May 1, 2014, and subsequently approve renewal applications that meet all requirements. The motion carried 8-0.

11. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE AS A PSYCHOLOGIST SUBMITTED BY MARCEE TURNER, PH.D.

Dr. Mellott provided a summary to the Board. Upon review of Dr. Turner's Postdoctoral Professional Psychology Experience Verification form from Counseling Testing Center, the Board noted that her supervisor, Dr. Lee-Barber, indicated that Dr. Turner completed a total of 2,000 hours of experience from August 1, 2011, to July 31, 2012. Dr. Lee-Barber's subsequent calculations indicate that Dr. Turner worked 40 hours per week for 50 weeks and obtained 547 hours of direct client contact. At this time, Dr. Turner is deficient in the total number of direct client contact hours for her postdoctoral professional psychology experience which does not meet the statutory requirements of A.R.S. § 32-2071(G)(5). Dr. DiBacco made a motion, seconded by Dr. Wechsler to issue a RAID letter to Dr. Turner regarding the above noted deficiencies. The motion carried 7-1 with Dr. Mellott voting no.

12. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Dr. Wechsler requested that an item pertaining to postdoctoral supervision be placed on a future agenda.

13. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Dr. Wechsler to adjourn the meeting at 9:49 a.m.; seconded by Mr. Donaldson. The motion carried 8-0.

Respectfully submitted,

**Janice K. Brundage, Ph.D.
Board Chair**