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#### **REGULAR SESSION MINUTES**

*Friday, April 4, 2014, 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 Dr. Bohanske at 7:45 a.m. on April 4, 2014. No Executive Sessions were held.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

#### **Board Members Present**

Bob Bohanske, Ph.D., – Chair John P. DiBacco, Ph.D., – Vice – Chair Joseph C. Donaldson – Secretary Paul Beljan, Psy.D., ABPdN, ABN Janice K. Brundage, Ph.D. Ramona Mellott, Ph.D. (7:45 a.m. – 7:58 a.m.) Rob Robicheau Tamara Shreeve, MPA Frederick S. Wechsler, Ph.D., Psy.D., ABPP

#### **Staff Present**

Dr. Cindy Olvey, Executive Director Lynanne Chapman, Deputy Director Heather Duracinski, Licensing Coordinator

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Dr. Cindy Olvey Executive Director

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#### **Attorney General's Office**

Jeanne Galvin, Esq.

Dr. Bohanske introduced Lynanne Chapman, the Board's Deputy Director.

#### 3. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There were no requests to speak.

#### 4. COUNSEL REPORT

Ms. Galvin reported that at the August 9, 2013, Board meeting the Board issued Anthony Luick, Ph.D. a Decree of Censure. Dr. Luick appealed the Board's decision to the Superior Court. On December 30, 2013, Ms. Galvin and the Board's Executive Director, Dr. Cindy Olvey, attended proceedings at the Superior Court in Tucson for Oral Argument. Dr. Luick is requesting that the Court grant an evidentiary hearing. Ms. Galvin reported that the Judge is taking the case under advisement. Ms. Galvin stated the Judge granted the evidentiary hearing and it is scheduled for May 21, 2014. Ms. Galvin elaborated that she submitted a Motion In Limine for clarification regarding the scope of the hearing. The Judge has not ruled on her motion yet. Ms. Galvin will keep the Board updated as the case progresses.

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

Dr. Bohanske requested that the February 7, 2014, Regular and Executive Session Minutes be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on a future agenda for approval. Mr. Donaldson abstained from the December 30, 2013, Regular Session Minutes and the January 10, 2014, Regular Session Minutes. Mr. Donaldson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Beljan, to approve the items on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried 9-0.

#### (a) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- December 30, 2013, Regular Session
- January 10, 2014, Regular Session
- February 7, 2014, Regular Session
- February 7, 2014, Executive Session (9:42 a.m. 9:57 a.m.)
- February 7, 2014, Executive Session (3:01 p.m. 3:14 p.m.)

#### (b) DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING PSYCHOLOGY APPLICATIONS

#### i. REQUESTING APPROVAL FOR EXAM AND LICENSURE

- Vanessa Berens, Ph.D.
- Tiffany Brown, Ph.D.
- Michael Epstein, Ph.D.
- Morgan Hall, Ph.D.
- Colleen Kowalke, Psy.D.
- Jennifer Loughlin, Ph.D.
- Safrona Osbeck, Psy.D.
- Megan Petrov, Ph.D.
- Rosalinda Reyes, Ph.D.

#### ii. REQUESTING APPROVAL FOR LICENSURE BY WAIVER

- Eileen Leuthe, Ph.D.
- Lori Lichte-Brill, Psy.D.

### iii. REQUESTING APPROVAL OF SUPERVISED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE HOURS AND LICENSURE

• Gregory Benson, Ph.D.

#### (c) DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING BEHAVIOR ANALYST APPLICATIONS

- Kellie Band, MA
- Ryan Bergstrom, MA
- Dana Pellegrino, MA
- Denise Rhine, M.S.
- Jillian Smith, M.S.

### (d) REQUEST FOR RE-ACTIVATION OF LICENSE FROM AMY WILLCOXON, PSY.D.

### 6. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Stuart Goodman and Brandy Petrone, from Goodman Schwartz Public Affairs, were present telephonically. Mr. Goodman provided an update to the Board stating that the legislature is currently focused on the budget. Mr. Goodman stated that HB 2173 moved out of the Senate Rules Committee and HB 2172 is still waiting to be heard by the Senate Rules Committee. Mr. Goodman stated that HB 2297 pertaining to forensic psychologists was not heard. Mr. Goodman will continue to keep the Board updated on legislative issues.

## 7. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE INTERPRETATION AND POTENTIAL APPLICATION OF A.R.S. §32-2081(B) AND ITS RELATION TO COURT APPOINTED PARENTING COORDINATORS

Dr. Olvey provided a summary to the Board stating that at the February 7, 2014, Board meeting it was the consensus of the Board to send a letter to the Court offering a meeting with Judges. The purpose of the meeting would be to have a dialogue with the Court regarding the implementation of A.R.S. §32-2081(B) and to offer the Board as a resource to the Court and to address any concerns or questions the Court has pertaining to A.R.S. §32-2081(B). Dr. Olvey stated that a meeting has been scheduled for May 5, 2014, and that the Presiding Judge for Family Court, Judge Norman Davis, and the Associate Presiding Judge, Judge Janet Barton, will attend the meeting as well as Drs. Bohanske and Wechsler, Ms. Galvin and Dr. Olvey. Dr. Olvey stated that other Judges may attend depending on their availability. Dr. Olvey stated that there has some discussion that the Court may consider excluding Parenting Coordinators from A.R.S. §32-2081(B). Dr. Olvey asked the Board if it would like to provide guidance for the meeting on May 5, 2014. Board members deliberated and it was the consensus of the Board that Parenting Coordinators appointed by the Court fall within the jurisdiction of A.R.S. §32-2081(B).

Dr. Mellott left the meeting at 7:58 a.m.

## 8. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING YVETTE SAINT THOMAS AND POSSIBLE UNLICENSED PRACTICE OF PSYCHOLOGY AND POSSIBLE LITIGATION

Dr. Olvey provided a summary to the Board stating that the Attorney General's Office was asked to investigate Yvette Saint Thomas after a recent news story alleging that she is providing mental health services without a license. Dr. Olvey stated that the Attorney General's Office has drafted an Injunction that includes the Arizona Medical Board, Arizona Board of Behavioral Health Examiners and Arizona Board of Psychologist Examiners to be filed with the Court against Ms. Saint Thomas. The Board is asked to approve the Injunction. Assistant Attorney General, Jeanne Galvin, stated that Ms. Saint Thomas is represented by legal counsel and that Ms. Saint Thomas has indicated that she will stipulate and sign the Injunction. Ms. Galvin clarified that filing the Injunction does not preclude criminal prosecution.

The Board deliberated and raised concern about Ms. Saint Thomas' use of alias' and whether Ms. Saint Thomas will pursue practicing without a license in the future under a different alias. After deliberation, Dr. Wechsler made a motion, seconded by Ms. Shreeve, to move forward with the Injunction and to have the Board's Executive Director, Dr. Cindy Olvey, communicate to the Attorney General the Board's concerns regarding future actions Ms. Saint Thomas may take. The motion carried 8-0.

# 9. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FROM THE ASSOCIATION OF STATE AND PROVINCIAL PSYCHOLOGY BOARDS (ASPPB) FOR THE ASPPB BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS WELL AS VARIOUS ASPPB AWARDS

Dr. Olvey provided a summary to the Board stating that every year ASPPB issues a call for nominations for the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Board(ASPPB) Board of Directors as well as various ASPPB awards. Nominations are due on May 5, 2014. It was the consensus of the Board to move this item to the May 2, 2014, Board meeting for further discussion.

## 10. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING COMMEMORATING 50 YEARS (1965-2015) SINCE ENACTMENT OF ENABLING LEGISLATION ESTABLISHING PSYCHOLOGY AS A PROFESSION IN ARIZONA

Dr. Bohanske provided a summary to the Board stating that the Association for State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB) is strongly considering holding its 2015 annual meeting in Arizona. Dr. Bohanske indicated that the 50<sup>th</sup> Year Commemorative Committee (Committee) will be scheduling a meeting to discuss additional ideas. The Committee will keep the Board updated.

#### 11. NEW AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

There were no items for future meetings.

#### 12. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Shreeve made a motion, seconded by Mr. Donaldson, to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 a.m. The motion carried 8-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph C. Donaldson Secretary