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Application Review Committee

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**MINUTES OF TELEPHONIC MEETING**

**January 7, 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 7:33 a.m. on January 7, 2014. One Executive Session was held.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Committee Members Participating by Telephone**

Ramona N. Mellott, Ph.D. – Chair

John P. DiBacco, Ph.D.

**Staff Present**

Cindy Olvey – Executive Director

Heather Duracinski – Licensing Coordinator

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**3. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING APPROVAL OF PSYCHOLOGY APPLICANTS**

**Requesting Approval to sit for Examination (EPPP) Only**

Gregory Benson, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Benson's application. Upon review of Dr. Benson's Reference Letter from Azara Santiago Rivera, Ph.D. the Committee noted that Dr. Santiago Rivera is not licensed as a psychologist which does not meet the requirement of A.A.C. R4-26-203(A)(27)(a). At this time, the Committee is requesting clarification as to whether Dr. Santiago Rivera is licensed as a psychologist. If Dr. Santiago Rivera is not licensed as a psychologist, Dr. Benson will be required to submit a new reference.

Dr. DiBacco made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to issue a RAID letter to Gregory Benson, Ph.D, regarding the deficiency discussed in his application. The motion carried (2-0).

**Requesting Approval to sit for Examination (EPPP) & Licensure**

Julie Alberty, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Alberty’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. Alberty’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.

MaryAnne Belton, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Belton’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. Belton’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.

Jacob Boney, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Boney’s application. Upon review of his Postdoctoral Professional Psychology Experience Verification form from New Hope Psychological Services and West Valley Family Development Center, his Director of Training, Neil Stafford, Psy.D., indicated that Dr. Boney completed a total of 2,257.75. Dr. Stafford’s subsequent calculations indicate that Dr. Boney received 124.5 hours of individual, face-to-face supervision and obtained 611 hours of direct client contact. At this time, the Committee is requesting clarification as to how many hours Dr. Boney received of individual, face-to-face supervision and how many hours he obtained of direct client contact for the first 1,500 hours of his postdoctoral experience.

Ashley Davis, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Davis’ 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. Davis’ 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.

Derek Folk, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Folk’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. Folk’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.

Morgan Francis, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Morgan’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. Morgan’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.

Daniel Gross, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Gross’ application and subsequent submission. At this time, the Committee is requesting that he provide a weekly breakdown of his direct client contact and individual face-to-face supervision hours and include electronic calendar records or other such logs documenting weekly sessions with clients and/or supervision hours for his postdoctoral experience.

Marlee Hoffman, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Hoffman’s application and subsequent submission. The Committee noted that on the application Dr. Hoffman attached an explanation regarding question #11 & 13 of the application. The Committee is requesting that she submit additional information regarding her citation for possession of a fake ID including but not limited to, presentence reports, any Orders from the Court regarding her charge and all records including police reports and disposition of her charge.

Nnamdi Ohaeri, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Ohaeri’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. Ohaeri’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.

Safrona Osbeck, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Osbeck’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. Osbeck’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.

Adam Perkins, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Perkin’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. Perkin’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.

William Shunkamolah, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Shunkamolah’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. Shunkamolah’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. DiBacco, to forward the applications of Julie Alberty, Ph.D., MaryAnne Belton, Psy.D., Ashley Davis, Psy.D., Derek Folk, Psy.D., Morgan Francis, Psy.D., Nnamdi Ohaeri, Psy.D., Safrona Osbeck, Psy.D., Adam Perkins, Ph.D. and William Shunkamolah, 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 Jacob Boney, Psy.D., Daniel Gross, Psy.D., and Marlee Hoffman, Ph.D., regarding the deficiencies noted in their applications. The motion carried (2-0).

**Requesting Approval of Licensure by Waiver**

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

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

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

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

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

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

Richard Wemhoff, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Wemhoff’s application and subsequent submission. Upon review, the Committee noted that Dr. Wemhoff’s degree in Education, Counseling & Guidance may not meet the statutory requirement of an applied psychology degree pursuant to A.R.S. §32-2071(A). It was the consensus of the Committee to forward Dr. Wemhoff’s application to the full Board for review and possible denial of his application.

Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Dr. DiBacco, to forward the applications of Nicholas Anthony, Ph.D., Joseph Benach, Psy.D., Edward Kardell, Psy.D., Julia Langdal, Psy.D. and Shalini Wahi, Ph.D. to the full Board for approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated license fee and to forward the application of Richard Wemhoff, Ph.D. to the full Board for review and possible denial of his application. The motion carried (2-0).

### **Requesting Approval of Supervised Professional Experience Hours and Licensure**

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

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

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

Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Dr. DiBacco, to forward the applications of Judith Browne, Psy.D., Monica Meyer, Ph.D., and Rhea Racaza, Psy.D., to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee. 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**

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

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

Hannah Robicheau, M.Ed. - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Robicheau's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that on her Supervised Work Experience or Independent Fieldwork Verification form from North River Collaborative, her supervisor, Jennifer Scott, answered no to question #8. At this time, the Committee is requesting clarification as to whether Ms. Scott is licensed as a behavior analyst and if Ms. Robicheau's supervision occurred in a state that licenses behavior analysts. If Ms. Scott is not licensed as a behavior analyst, and the state in which Ms. Robicheau's supervision occurred does not license behavior analysts, the Committee is requesting the reasons for the exemption.

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

Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Dr. DiBacco, to forward the applications of Nicole Matthews, M.Ed., Kristine Mooney, M. Ed., and Courtney Schinbeckler, M.S., 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 Hannah Robicheau, M.Ed., regarding the deficiency discussed in her application. The motion carried (2-0).

#### **5. NEW AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

Dr. Mellott requested that a future item regarding discussion of postdoctoral experience requirements be placed on an agenda for a future Board meeting.

## 6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Dr. DiBacco made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 a.m. The motion carried 2-0.

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