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REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

Tuesday, December 30, 2013, 7:30 a.m.
1400 W. Washington, Suite 240
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1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular session of the Arizona State Board of Psychologist Examiners was called to order by Dr. Brundage at 7:30 a.m. on December 30, 2013. No Executive Sessions were held.

2. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present

Janice K. Brundage, Ph.D., – Chair
Bob Bohanske, Ph.D – Vice – Chair
John P. DiBacco, Ph.D – Secretary
Paul Beljan, Psy.D., ABPdN, ABN
Ramona N. Mellott, Ph.D.
Rob Robichaud
Tamara Shreeve (joined at 8:00 a.m.)
Frederick S. Wechsler, Ph.D., Psy.D., ABPP

Staff Present

Dr. Cindy Olvey, Executive Director

Attorney General’s Office

Jeanne Galvin, Esq.

Board Members Absent

Joseph C. Donaldson

3. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING LEGISLATIVE UPDATE AND PROPOSED STATUTORY CHANGES FOR PSYCHOLOGY AND BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS

Stuart Goodman and Brandy Patrone from Goodman Schwartz Public Affairs were present. Mr. Goodman addressed the Board stating that he met with the legislative liaison for the Arizona Psychological Association and Senator Barto regarding A.R.S. §32-2081(B). Mr. Goodman stated that Senator Barto requested clarification regarding A.R.S. §32-2081(B) and he provided the clarification.

Board members clarified that A.R.S. §32-2081(B) requires that a complaint against a judicially appointed psychologist be filed with the Court first and if the Court finds that there has been

unprofessional or unethical conduct on the part of the psychologist then the Court may allow the complaint to be forwarded to the Board for review.

4. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PROPOSED REVISION TO PSYCHOLOGY STATUTE A.R.S. §32-2071(F)(6) AND (G)(5) SUPERVISION USING CONFIDENTIAL REAL TIME VISUAL TELECOMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY OR OTHER CONFIDENTIAL ELECTRONIC MEANS

Dr. Brundage provided a summary to the Board stating that Board members expressed concern with allowing the supervisor to determine how much supervision may be conducted via electronic means. Dr. Brundage asked Dr. Olvey to provide an update regarding how much supervision may be conducted via electronic means in other jurisdictions and other Arizona regulatory Boards. Dr. Olvey stated that the Arizona Board of Behavioral Health Examiners allows 100 percent of supervision be conducted via electronic means. Dr. Olvey stated that other Arizona regulatory Boards that were researched do not have guidelines pertaining to supervision via electronic means. Dr. Olvey provided information regarding the Ohio Board's guideline on supervision. The American Psychological Association's Committee on Accreditation allows up to 50 percent of supervision be conducted via telesupervision.

Board members deliberated and expressed concern with allowing 100 percent of supervision be conducted via electronic means. Board members reviewed the American Psychological Association guidelines on supervision. Board member emphasized the importance of supervision.

After deliberation, Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bohanske, to allow up to 50 percent of supervision be conducted via electronic means. The motion failed 4-4 with Dr. DiBacco, Dr. Beljan, Ms. Shreeve and Dr. Wechsler voting no on a roll call vote.

After further deliberation, Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bohanske, that regular in-person supervision is conducted on a contemporaneous basis and effective July 1, 2016, to allow up to 50% of supervision be completed using secure confidential real time visual telecommunication as defined in rule. The Motion carried 8-1 with Dr. Wechsler voting no.

5. NEW AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

There were no items for future meetings.

6. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, Dr. Wechsler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bohanske, to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 a.m. The motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Bohanske, Ph.D.
Chair