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Application Review Committee

MINUTES OF TELEPHONIC MEETING October 25, 2011

00er 23, 201 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 Dr. Wechsler at 7:30 a.m. on October 25, 2011. No Executive Sessions were held.

2. ROLL CALL

Committee Members Participating by Telephone

Frederick S. Wechsler, Psy.D. – Chair John DiBacco, Ph.D.

Staff Present

Meghan B. Hinckley - Deputy Director

Attorney General

Jeanne Galvin, Esq.

3. DISCUSSION DECISION REGARDING APPROVAL OF APPLICANTS

Requesting Approval for Examination & Licensure

<u>Sarah Leone, Ph.D.</u> – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Leone's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that Dr. Leone's core content area coursework from Ohio State University *PSYCH 693.09: Individual Studies – Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities*, does not fulfill the requirements of A.R.S. § 32-2071(A)(4)(a) Scientific and Professional Ethics and Standards in Psychology. Dr. Leone is therefore deficient 2 quarter credit hours in the Scientific and Professional Ethics core content area. Upon review of Dr. Leone's Supervised Psychology Internship Experience Verification form, her supervisor, Dr. Benson, answered "no" to several questions on the form and failed to provide explanation. Based upon Dr. Benson's answers, Dr. Leone's internship with Nisonger Center for Adult Behavior

Dr. Cindy Olvey Executive Director

Meghan Hinckley Deputy Director

Heather Duracinski Licensing Coordinator Support Program may not fulfill the internship requirements of A.R.S. § 32-2071(F). The Committee recommended issuing Dr. Leone a Request for Additional Information and Documentation (RAID) that would clarify how her internship at Nisonger Institute fulfills the requirements of statute. In addition, the Committee requested that Dr. Leone submit a copy of the completed written training plan form from the date that she began her supervised experience or submit a retrospective written training agreement signed by all parties involved in the practicum experience.

<u>Paula J. McCall, Ph.D.</u> – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. McCall'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. McCall's application forward to the full Board for review and approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon receipt of a passing score and the pro-rated licensure fee.

Ann Schrockenstein, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Schrockenstein'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. Schrockenstein's application forward to the full Board for review and approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon receipt of a passing score and the pro-rated licensure fee.

<u>Laura Wingers</u>, <u>Psy.D.</u> – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Wingers' 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. Wingers' application forward to the full Board for review and approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon receipt of a passing score and the pro-rated licensure fee.

Dr. Wechsler made a motion, seconded by Dr. DiBacco, to forward the applications of Paula J. McCall, Ph.D., Ann Schrockenstein, Psy.D., and Laura Wingers, Psy.D. to the full Board for review and approval to sit for the EPPP and licensure upon the receipt of a passing score on the exam. The motion carried (2-0).

Dr. Wechsler then made a motion, seconded by Dr. DiBacco, to issue a RAID letter to Dr. Sarah Leone, Ph.D. regarding the deficiencies as discussed in her application. The motion carried (2-0).

Requesting Approval of Licensure by Waiver

Sherry Addicott-Brandt, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Addicott-Brandt's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that Dr. Addicott-Brandt's supervisor for her internship failed to indicate the specific name of the internship site where your supervision took place on the Supervised Internship Verification form. The Committee requested Dr. Addicott-Brandt contact Dr. Penn and have her complete and re-submit the form with the site name included. Upon review of her Postdoctoral Professional Psychology Experience Verification form completed by supervisor, Dr. Michael Scrimenti, he indicated that Dr. Addicott-Brandt had accrued 690 hours postdoctoral experience completed at St. Anthony's Point from May 2001 – November 2001. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-2071(D), applicants must submit proof of 3000 supervised hours to gain licensure. Since she previously submitted 2000 hours of supervised internship, and 690 hours of supervised postdoctoral experiences, Dr. Addicott-Brandt remains 310 hours deficient in supervised experience in order to gain licensure. The Committee requested that Dr. Addicott-Brandt submit further documentation of a minimum of 310 additional

supervision hours in order to fulfill the requirements of A.R.S. § 32-2071(D) and gain licensure in the state of Arizona.

<u>Jennifer Baumgardener, Ph.D.</u> – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Baumgardener's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that on page 6 of the application, Dr. Baumgardener failed to complete question #25. The Committee requested that Dr. Baumgardener be issued a RAID letter to complete question #25 either in a cover letter or resubmit a new document.

Jonathan Fluck, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Fluck's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that on page 2 of the application Dr. Fluck answered affirmatively to question #11, "Have you made application to any other state or Canadian province in which you are not yet licensed? If yes, attach and explanation and include dates." The Committee reviewed Dr. Fluck's explanation and requested further clarification and/or documentation regarding the "various delays" in his application process and why he chose to withdraw his application with Texas Board of Psychologist Examiners. In addition, on page 7 of the application, Dr. Fluck failed to complete question #29b, "Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-2071(D), what combination of 1500 additional hours do you plan to use towards licensure? Please specify the number of hours by category." Dr. Fluck did not specify the specific amount of additional hours being used towards licensure, but rather indicated with a check mark which type of hours her was using. The Committee recommended that Dr. Fluck be issued a RAID letter requesting clarification of his Texas application and re-submit a completed question #29 of the application either by a cover letter or resubmit a new document.

<u>Michelle McClellan, Psy.D.</u> – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. McClellan'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. McClellan's application forward to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

<u>Julia Padgett, Ph.D.</u> – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Padgett'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. Padgett's application forward to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

<u>Nafisa Sekandari, Psy.D.</u> – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Sekandari'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. Sekandari's application forward to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

<u>Robert Sherry, Ph.D.</u> – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Sherry's application and subsequent submissions. 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. Sherry's application forward to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

<u>Beverly Yoches, Ph.D.</u> – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Yoches' application and subsequent submissions. 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. Yoches' application forward 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. DiBacco, to forward the applications of Michelle McClellan, Psy.D., Julia Padgett, Ph.D., Nafisa Sekandari, Psy.D., Robert Sherry, Ph.D., and Beverly Yoches, Psy.D. to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon the receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee. The motion carried (2-0).

Dr. Wechsler then made a motion, seconded by Dr. DiBacco, to issue RAID letters to Sherry Addicott-Brandt, Psy.D., Jennifer Baumgardner, Psy.D., and Jonathan Fluck, Ph.D. regarding the deficiencies as discussed in their applications. The motion carried (2-0).

Requesting Approval of Postdoctoral Experience and Licensure

<u>Rebbeca Lahann, Psy.D.</u> – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Lahann's postdoctoral experience forms. 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. Lahann's proof of postdoctoral supervision forward to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of a passing score and the pro-rated licensure fee.

Dr. Wechsler then made a motion, seconded by Dr. DiBacco, to forward Dr. Rebbeca Lahann's a proof of postdoctoral supervision to the full Board for review and approval and licensure upon receipt of a passing score on the EPPP and payment of the pro-rated fee. The motion carried (2-0).

4. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING APPROVAL OF BEHAVIOR ANALYST APPLICANTS

Requesting Approval of Licensure by Experience:

After having reviewed the applicants in the category of behavior analyst licensure by experience and finding no deficiencies, Dr. Wechsler made a motion, seconded by Dr. DiBacco, to forward the applications of Claudia Villari, M.A., BCBA and Kelli Riley, M.Ed., BCBA to the full Board for review and approval for licensure upon payment of the pro-rated fee. The motion carried (2-0).

Requesting Approval of Behavior Analyst Licensure by Certification:

After having reviewed all of the applicants in the category of behavior analyst licensure by certification and finding no deficiencies, Dr. Wechsler made a motion, seconded by Dr. DiBacco, to forward the application of Sorah Stein, M.A., BCBA to the full Board for review and approval for behavior analyst licensure upon payment of the pro-rated fee. The motion carried (2-0).

5. NEW AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Dr. Wechsler requested that a future agenda item regarding the functions and scope of practice of certified school psychologists and how this applies to those applicants who are applying for licensure with the psychologist Board. Specifically, their ability to practice independently as a school psychologist and accrue supervision for licensure simultaneously.

6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Dr. Wechsler made a motion, seconded by Dr. DiBacco, to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 a.m.

Frederick S. Wechsler, Psy.D., ABPP - Chairperson Application Review Committee