

BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
April 10, 2015

Board Members Present: William Sanchez, Ph.D., Chair
Betty Allen, Public Member
Robert Carey, Ph.D.
William Hudgins, Ph.D.
Kim Bistis, Psy.D.
David Scherer, Ph.D.

Board Members Absent: Yvonne M. Jenkins, Ph.D., Vice Chair
Michelle C. Jacobo, Ph.D., Secretary
Neelam Jain, Public Member

Staff Present: Karen Schwartz, Ph.D., Program Coordinator
Peter Kelley, Board Counsel
Doris Lugo, Board Investigator

Board Business:

1. At 9:03 am, Dr. Sanchez called the meeting to order.
2. Dr. Sanchez explained the evacuation instructions in case of emergency.
3. On a motion by Dr. Hudgins, seconded by Dr. Carey, the minutes for the March 2015 meeting were approved, Ms. Allen abstained, remainder of the board all in favor.
4. Peter Kelley, Board Counsel, made a legal report to the Board about issues regarding a federal case against the North Carolina Board of Examiners in Dentistry and its implications for Board operations in DPL.
5. Yvonne M. Jenkins, Ph.D., Vice Chair has been required by her employer to resign her Board position prior to her term being up. She will send a letter to the Governor's office advising them.
6. At 10:05 am on a motion by Ms. Allen, seconded by Dr. Carey, the Board voted to enter Closed Session, pursuant to G.L. c. 112, § 65C, for the purpose of conducting investigatory conferences and to discuss cases: PY-15-001, PY-15-020, all in favor.
7. At 11:00 am, on a motion by Dr. Carey, seconded by Ms. Allen, the Board voted to enter Closed Session pursuant to G.L. c. 112, § 65C for the purposes of a settlement conference, all in favor.
8. At 11:14 am, on a motion by Betty Allen, seconded by Dr. Carey, the Board voted to exit Closed Session and enter Open Session, all in favor.
9. Licensee #6329: Quarterly Supervisor report reviewed and discussed.
10. Licensee #3367: Quarterly Supervisor report reviewed and discussed.
11. PY-2013-002: The Board reviewed correspondence from Board-approved therapist in this matter. On a motion by Dr. Scherer, seconded by Dr. Hudgins, the Board voted to respond in writing to both therapist and supervisor, advising that the Board does not waive its privilege with respect to quarterly reports, all in favor.

12. SA-PY-15-001: On a motion by Dr. Bistis, seconded by Ms. Allen, the Board voted to close staff assignment and open a complaint, all in favor.
13. PY-15-020: On a motion by Dr. Bistis, seconded by Dr. Carey, the Board voted to schedule Investigative Conferences, all in favor.
14. CE audit licensee #7509: On a motion by Dr. Bistis, seconded by Ms. Allen, the Board voted to open a complaint and forward to prosecutions, all in favor.
15. CE audit licensee #9275: On a motion by Dr. Hudgins, seconded by Dr. Carey, the Board voted to open a complaint and forward to prosecutions, all in favor.
16. Reviewed correspondence from Licensee #3649 regarding current agreement and licensee's request to have it nullified. On a motion by Dr. Carey, seconded by Dr. Bistis, the Board voted to deny his request, all in favor. Attorney Kelley will respond in writing.
17. Discussed S-EPPP (Spanish language version of EPPP offered only Puerto Rico). ASPPB regards it as equivalent to EPPP. On a motion by Dr. Scherer and seconded by Dr. Bistis, the Board voted to accept the S-EPPP as equivalent to the EPPP, all in favor.
18. Discussed the ASPPB inter-jurisdictional compact. The Board recommends continuing the policy that practice occurs in the state in which the patient resides. On a motion by Dr. Bistis and seconded by Dr. Scherer, the Board voted not to endorse the ASPPB inter-jurisdictional compact, all in favor.
19. The Board reviewed and approved Board meeting dates for 2016.
20. At 11:43, on a motion by Dr. Hudgins, seconded by Ms. Allen, the Board voted to exit Open Session and enter Closed session for Quasi-Judicial Review, pursuant to G.L.30A, § 18, ¶ 5(d), all in favor.
21. At 12:03 pm, on a motion by Dr. Carey, seconded by Dr. Scherer, the Board voted to exit closed session and enter open meeting, all in favor.
22. At 12:04 pm, the Board took a lunch break.
23. At 12:40 pm, the Board resumed Open Session.
24. Applicant Dekel: The Board reviewed application. On a motion by Dr. Carey, seconded by Dr. Scherer, the Board voted to request the required written training plan for her advanced practicum; all in favor.
25. Applicant Shapiro: The Board reviewed application. On a motion by Dr. Carey, seconded by Dr. Scherer, the Board voted that the HSP requirement was not met, all in favor.
26. Applicant Lin: The Board reviewed application. On a motion by Dr. Scherer, seconded by Dr. Carey, the Board voted to approve for licensure and HSP, all in favor.
27. Applicant Stahl Selines: The Board reviewed application. On a motion by Dr. Carey, seconded by Dr. Hudgins, the Board voted to request further information from supervisors regarding title used during post-internship training, all in favor.
28. At 12:49, on a motion by Dr. Carey and seconded by Ms. Allen the Board voted to exit Open Session and enter Executive Session pursuant to General Laws Chapter 30A Section 21 (a)(7) to discuss medical record information and to comply with the public record law, pursuant to G. L. c. 66, § 10; G. L. c. 4, §7, ¶ 26(c), roll call vote, all in favor.
29. At 1:00 pm, on a motion by Dr. Scherer, seconded by Ms. Allen, the Board voted to exit Executive Session and enter Open Session, following a roll call vote, all in favor, the motion passed.

30. Applicant Carmona Goyena: The Board reviewed application. On a motion by Dr. Bistis, seconded by Dr. Carey, the application was denied due to doctoral program not meeting Board regulations, all in favor.
31. Applicant Greene: The Board reviewed the application. On a motion by Dr. Bistis, seconded by Dr. Carey, the Board voted that she does not meet regulatory requirements for HSP due to lack of a qualifying internship, all in favor.
32. The Board discussed criteria for the advanced practicum training plan, as articulated in Board regulations, and whether they will accept training plans that are created after the training has been completed. On a motion by Dr. Scherer, seconded by Dr. Carey, the Board voted to reverse its previous position and to accept such post-hoc training plans if they meet Board regulations, all in favor. The Board will contact the few individuals whose applications were not approved for this sole reason to advise them of this change.
33. At 2:00 pm, on a motion by Ms. Allen and seconded by Dr. Scherer, the Board voted to delegate further application review to a single-purpose sub-committee of Drs. Sanchez, Hudgins, Carey, and Scherer, all in favor. Dr. Bistis and Ms. Allen left the meeting.
34. Applicant Fogel: On a motion by Dr. Hudgins, seconded by Dr. Scherer, the Board voted to grant a 5 year waiver, all in favor.
35. Applicant Graham: The Board reviewed application. On a motion by Dr. Bistis, seconded by Dr. Carey, the Board voted to ask all the signers of an advanced practicum training plan to provide an explanation regarding its contents, all in favor.
36. Applicant Kimberg: The Board discussed the written training plan submitted for her advanced practicum. The Board will request additional information regarding the training plan in effect when she completed this supervised experience.
37. The Board approved the following applications:
 - Tassiopoulos, Elizabeth
 - Benson, Eric
 - Russell-Brown, Tina
 - Worby, Barbara
 - Blake, Michael
 - Stone, Laura
38. At 2:20 pm, the Board voted to adjourn, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Acting Secretary

(for Michelle Jacobo, Ph.D.)

Board Secretary

Documents Reviewed

1. Licensure applications of:
 - Dekel
 - Shapiro
 - Lin
 - Stahl Selines
 - Graham
 - Greene
 - Fogel
 - Kimberg
 - Carmona Goyena
 - Tassiopoulos, Elizabeth
 - Benson, Eric
 - Russell-Brown, Tina
 - Worby, Barbara
 - Blake, Michael
 - Stone, Laura
2. Draft of March 2015 Minutes
3. ASPPB Inter-Jurisdictional Compact
4. CE information from licensee #7509
5. CE information from licensee #9275
6. Correspondence from Licensee #3649
7. Quarterly reports from supervisor of licensee #6329
8. Quarterly reports from supervisor of licensee #3367
9. Correspondence from Board-approved therapist in PY-2013-002