

BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF PSYCHOLOGISTS

December 11, 2015

Board Members Present: Michelle C. Jacobo, Ph.D., Chair
Robert Carey, Ph.D., Vice Chair
Kimberly Bistis, Psy.D., Secretary
William Sanchez, Ph.D.
William Hudgins, Ph.D.
David Scherer, Ph.D.
Marshaun Glover, Ph.D.
Betty Allen, Public Member

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

Board Business:

1. At 8:59 a.m., the meeting was called to order.
2. At 9:02 a.m., on a motion by Dr. Bistis, seconded by Dr. Glover, all in favor, the Board voted to enter into closed session for the purposes of investigative conferences for: PY-2015-023, PY-2015-040, PY-2015-058, PY-2016-011, and PY-2016-007.
3. At 11:45 a.m., on a motion by Dr. Sanchez, seconded by Ms. Allen, all in favor, the Board voted to exit closed session and to enter open session.
4. Dr. Jacobo reviewed evacuation instructions.
5. On a motion by Dr. Scherer, seconded by Dr. Hudgins, the Board voted to approve the Board Meeting and Executive Session minutes for the November 2015 meeting, all in favor.
6. PY-2015-023: On a motion by Dr. Carey, seconded by Dr. Glover, the Board voted to send to prosecution for formal disciplinary action, all in favor.
7. PY-2015-040: On a motion by Dr. Carey, seconded by Dr. Glover, the Board voted to send to prosecution for formal disciplinary action, all in favor.
8. PY-2016-011: On a motion by Dr. Sanchez, seconded by Dr. Scherer, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint, all in favor.
9. PY-2016-007: On a motion by Dr. Scherer, seconded by Dr. Bistis, the Board voted to schedule investigative conferences, all in favor.

10. At 11:50 a.m., Dr. Sanchez moved to exit open session and enter closed session for the purposes of Settlement Conferences. Dr. Glover seconded, all in favor.
11. At 11:55 a.m., on a motion by Dr. Sanchez, seconded by Dr. Glover, the board voted to exit closed session and enter open session, all in favor.
12. PY-2014-032: On a motion by Dr. Bistis, seconded by Dr. Scherer, the Board voted to dismiss the complaint with an advisory letter, all in favor (Dr. Sanchez abstained).
13. At 12:02 p.m., on a motion by Dr. Sanchez, seconded by Dr. Glover, the Board voted to adjourn for lunch, all in favor.
14. At 12:45 p.m., the Board resumed open session.
15. At 1:03 p.m., Ms. Allen moved to exit open session and enter Executive Session, pursuant to G. L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(1), to discuss the character, rather than the professional competence, of applicants for licensure. Dr. Carey seconded. Following a roll call vote, all in favor, the motion passed.
16. At 1:58 p.m., the Board voted to enter into Executive Session pursuant to G. L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(7) to comply with the public record law and to discuss medical record information, G. L. c. 66, § 10; G. L. c. 4, § 7, ¶ 26(c). Following a roll call vote, all in favor, the motion passed.
17. At 2:07 p.m. Dr Sanchez, seconded by Dr. Carey, moved to exit Executive Session and resume open session, following a roll call vote, all in favor, the motion passed.
18. PY-2014-014: The Board reviewed the final report of the consultant. On a motion by Dr. Sanchez, seconded by Dr. Hudgins, the Board determined that the licensee met the terms of the consent agreement, all in favor.
19. Applicant Susswein: The Board reviewed application. On a motion by Dr. Bistis, seconded by Dr. Glover, the Board voted to allow reinstatement and approve for HSP after passing Jurisprudence exam, all in favor.
20. Applicant Long: The Board reviewed application. On a motion by Dr. Bistis, seconded by Dr. Glover, the Board voted not to approve for licensure or HSP, or to grant a waiver, all in favor.
21. Applicant Stevens: The Board reviewed application. On a motion by Dr. Scherer, seconded by Ms. Allen, the Board voted to grant a waiver of the 5 year requirement, all in favor.
22. Applicant Nördberg: The Board reviewed application. On a motion by Dr. Carey, seconded by Ms. Allen, the Board voted to approve for licensure and HSP, all in favor.
23. Applicant Williams: The Board reviewed application. On a motion by Ms. Allen, seconded by Dr. Sanchez, the Board voted to grant a waiver of the 5 year requirement, all in favor (Dr. Scherer recused).
24. At 2:50 p.m., on a motion by Dr. Sanchez, seconded by Dr. Bistis, the Board adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Documents reviewed:

1. Draft of minutes and ES minutes for November 2015 meeting
2. Applications of: Long, Stevens, Nordberg, Williams, Avakian, Faherty, Lynch, Steinbrink, Scott, Scheriff, Lops, Rasco, Thayer, Thekkedam, Santostefano
3. Final report of consultant on PY-14-014
4. Reinstatement application of Susswein