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BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF PSYCHOLOGISTS

Public Meeting Minutes of April 11, 2025

Board Members Present: Robert Carey, Jr., Ph.D., Chair (left the meeting at 9:39 a.m., returned to the meeting at 10:01 a.m., left the meeting at 10:39 a.m., returned to the meeting at 11:35 a.m.)
Vicky Anderson, Psy.D., Vice Chair
Jeffrey Brown, Psy.D.
Antonia Seligowski, Ph.D.
Jessica Edwards George, Ph.D.
Michael O'Halloran (arrived at 9:31 a.m.)

Staff Present: Brian Bialas, Executive Director
Judith Bromley, Board Counsel
Lauren McShane, Investigator Supervisor
Jacob Edwards, Investigator
Anastasia Bouikidis, Investigative Intern

All Board members and staff appeared by videoconference.

At 9:06 a.m., the meeting was called to order by Dr. Carey.

Board Business

- **Roll Call for Attendance:** Mr. Bialas called the roll of Board members. Robert Carey, Vicky Anderson, Jeffrey Brown, Antonia Seligowski, and Jessica Edwards George were in attendance.
- **Public Meeting Minutes of March 14, 2025:** After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Seligowski, seconded by Dr. Brown, to approve the Public Meeting Minutes of March 14, 2025. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.
- **Executive Session Minutes of March 14, 2025:** After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Anderson, seconded by Dr. Edwards George, to approve the Executive Session Minutes of March 14, 2025. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Application Review – Experience

- **Alan Behrman:** The Board reviewed Dr. Behrman’s experience documentation. After a brief discussion, the Board directed Mr. Bialas to ask Dr. Behrman whether he was supervised by a psychologist during his post-doctoral fellowship, and, if so, to provide documentation of that supervision.

Mr. O’Halloran arrived at 9:31 a.m.

The Board also directed Mr. Bialas to ask Dr. Behrman to consider obtaining the requirements for licensure in Louisiana at the time he was licensed there if he cannot document his supervision by a psychologist during his post-doctoral fellowship.

Monitoring

- **Kathleen Hennessy, 2021-000179-IT-ENF, Approval of Proposed Supervisor:** The Board reviewed Dr. Hennessy’s submission of Patricia Harney to be her supervisor because the supervisor the Board previously approved is no longer available. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Anderson, seconded by Dr. Edwards George, to approve Dr. Harney as Dr. Hennessy’s supervisor. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Dr. Carey recused himself from the following matter and left the meeting at 9:39 a.m.

Application Review – Education and Experience

- **Zlatina Kostova:** The Board reviewed Dr. Kostova’s education and experience. After a brief discussion, the Board directed Mr. Bialas to ask Dr. Kostova to map the courses or seminars listed on her foreign education report or her Northeastern University transcript to the required content areas in the regulations, including only graduate-level courses for formal course credit and not trainings or continuing education courses, and including the credit she received for each course according to the foreign education report. For each course where the title of the course is not clearly related to a required content area, she should provide a translated syllabus for that course. She also should provide her Northeastern University transcript for the Board’s review.

The Board also directed Mr. Bialas to open an investigative intake regarding Dr. Kostova’s use of the title “psychologist” online.

Executive Session (closed under G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(1) and under G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(7) to comply with G.L. c. 4, § 7, ¶ 26(c) and G.L. c. 214, § 1B – adhering to the public records law and to preserve the confidentiality of medical record information)

At 10:01 a.m., a motion was made by Dr. Brown, seconded by Dr. Edwards George, to (1) exit the public meeting; (2) enter into executive session under G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(1) and G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(7) to comply with G.L. c. 4, § 7, ¶ 26(c) and G.L. c. 214, § 1B – adhering to the

public records law and to preserve the confidentiality of medical record information, to discuss and evaluate the good moral character of an applicant as required for licensure and a request for an extension to complete application experience not within 60 months and examination accommodation requests that involve the review of medical records and information of patients; then (3) enter into investigative conference under G.L. c. 112, § 65C to conduct a case interview and review new cases; and (4) at the conclusion of the investigative conference, not return to the public meeting and adjourn. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

The Board entered executive session at 10:01 a.m.

Dr. Carey returned to the meeting at 10:01 a.m.

Dr. Carey left the meeting at 10:38 a.m.

Dr. Carey returned to the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

See separate executive session minutes.

Investigative Conference (closed session under G.L. c. 112, § 65C)

The Board entered investigative conference at 11:46 a.m.

During the investigative conference, the Board took the following actions:

Case Interview

PSY-2024-0015 (EN):	Interviewed respondent; Board to obtain additional documentation from respondent and review case again at next meeting
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Cases

PSY-2024-0025 (GF):	Refer to the Office of Prosecutions
INV9772 (ER):	Dismiss

Adjournment

At 12:41 p.m., a motion was made by Dr. Seligowski, seconded by Dr. Brown, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

The meeting adjourned at 12:41 p.m.

Approval

The above minutes were approved at the public meeting held on May 9, 2025.



Brian Bialas, Executive Director

List of Documents Used During the Public Meeting

- Agenda of April 11, 2025 Meeting
- Public Meeting Minutes of March 14, 2025
- Executive Session Minutes of March 14, 2025
- Documents from Application of Alan Behrman
- Kathleen Hennessy, 2021-000179-IT-ENF, Submission of Proposed Supervisor
- Documents from Application of Zlatina Kostova