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# **BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF PSYCHOLOGISTS**

# Public Meeting Minutes of June 10, 2022

Board Members Present:	Robert Carey, Jr., Ph.D., Chair (left meeting at 1:57 p.m.) Marshaun Glover, Ph.D., Vice Chair
	John Marshall, D.C., Secretary
	William Hudgins, Ph.D.
	Vicky Anderson, Psy.D. (arrived at 9:10 a.m.)
	Tammy Jones, Psy.D.
Staff Present:	Brian Bialas, Executive Director Jenna Hentoff, Board Counsel (left meeting at 10:30 a.m., returned at 10:34 a.m.)

All Board members and staff appeared by videoconference.

At 9:07 a.m., the meeting was called to order by Dr. Carey.

# **Board Business**

- **Public Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2022:** After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Jones, seconded by Dr. Hudgins, to approve the Public Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2022. The motion passed unanimously.
- **Executive Session Minutes of April 8, 2022:** After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Marshall, seconded by Dr. Jones, to approve the Executive Session Minutes of April 8, 2022. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Anderson arrived at 9:10 a.m.

- Adopt Remote Meeting Procedures: The Board discussed allowing some Board members to participate in meetings by videoconference or telephone under 940 CMR 29.10 provided a quorum is present in person if the Board is again required to meet inperson. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Jones, seconded by Dr. Glover, to adopt the remote meeting procedures under 940 CMR 29.10. The motion passed unanimously.
- **Conflict of Interest Law and Required Disclosures:** Ms. Hentoff discussed the conflict of interest law for state employees and Board member disclosures required by it.

- Election of Officers for Fiscal Year 2023: The Board discussed electing officers for fiscal year 2023. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Jones, seconded by Dr. Anderson, to elect the following Board members to the positions noted for fiscal year 2023:
  - o Robert Carey Chair
  - Marshaun Glover Vice Chair
  - John Marshall Secretary

The motion passed unanimously.

### **Correspondence**

- **6.3.22 Letter from L. Guzman-Hosta re: Direct Client Contact Hours in Forensic Setting:** The Board reviewed Dr. Guzman-Hosta's letter regarding direct client contact hours under 251 CMR 3.06(4)(b) in a forensic setting. The Board directed Mr. Bialas to respond to Dr. Guzman-Hosta as follows:
  - Client contact hours must be face-to-face with the client (no telephone).
  - Administrative work hours do not count as client contact hours.
  - With respect to Dr. Guzman-Hosta's specific questions about what may count as client contact hours in a forensic setting, the following is acceptable:
    - collateral interviews;
    - consultation services;
    - providing testimony in court;
    - assessment feedback when the client is present; and
    - observing clients in an inpatient milieu.

### **Application Reviews**

- **Daniel Gensler:** The Board reviewed Dr. Gensler's application, including his letter to the Board regarding his lack of supervised experience documentation. After a brief discussion, the Board directed Mr. Bialas to ask Dr. Gensler to provide experience documentation from his original license application submitted to another state.
- **Rika Alper:** The Board reviewed Dr. Alper's letter regarding taking a course in Racial and Ethnic Bases of Behavior. After a brief discussion, the Board directed Mr. Bialas to ask Dr. Alper to explore taking a course at William James College to cover this subject area.

### **Monitoring Reports**

• David Reinke, 20150810PY003-IT-ENF, 15th Quarterly Monitoring Report: The Board reviewed Dr. Reinke's report. After a brief discussion, the Board directed Mr. Bialas to invite Dr. Reinke and his supervisor Dr. Ethan Pollack to a meeting for an interview.

• Edward Mendelowitz, 2019-000343-IT-ENF, Letters from E. Mendelowitz re: Non-Renewal of License: The Board reviewed Dr. Mendelowitz's letters to the Board stating that he will not be renewing his Massachusetts license. After a brief discussion, the Board directed Mr. Bialas to inform Dr. Mendelowitz that he cannot treat clients located in Massachusetts once his license expires, and his probation will continue until he renews his license and completes supervision of his Massachusetts practice to the Board's satisfaction.

Ms. Hentoff left the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

• **Ricky Greenwald, 2017-000912-IT-ENF, 9th Quarterly Monitoring Report:** The Board reviewed Dr. Greenwald's report. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Jones, seconded by Dr. Glover, to accept the report. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Open Session for Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours in Advance of** <u>Meeting</u>

Dr. Andrea Barnes from the Massachusetts Psychological Association commented that the American Psychological Association requires knowledge of racial and ethnic bases of behavior.

**Executive Session** (closed 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 10:34 a.m., a motion was made by Dr. Jones, seconded by Dr. Hudgins, to (1) exit the public meeting; and (2) enter into executive session 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 in connection with the review of an application, EPPP accommodation requests, and a CE extension request. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Ms. Hentoff returned to the meeting at 10:34 a.m.

**Investigative Conference** (closed to conduct investigatory conferences, pursuant to G.L. c. 112, § 65C)

The Board exited executive session and entered into investigative conference at 10:58 a.m.

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

#### **Discussion of Order to Show Cause**

2021-000247-IT-ENF (PG):

Settlements

2021-000179-IT-ENF (KH):

Gave direction to prosecutor

Dismiss

#### **Case Updates**

2021-001087-IT-ENF (PD):

2022-000149-IT-ENF (MT):

#### **Case Interview**

2021-000948-IT-ENF (EB):

#### Cases

2021-000836-IT-ENF (JS): 2018-000273-IT-ENF (PS):

2021-001069-IT-ENF (MO): 2021-001197-IT-ENF (CJ): 2021-001213-IT-ENF (DW):

2022-000002-IT-ENF (JP): 2022-000005-IT-ENF (GG):

2022-000015-IT-ENF (BE):

2022-000509-IT-ENF (JL):

Dr. Carey left the meeting at 1:57 p.m.

2021-001095-IT-ENF (JD):

Gave direction to prosecutor

Board counsel provided update Board counsel provided update

Interviewed respondent; refer case to Office of Prosecutions.

No action taken Refer to Office of Prosecutions Dismiss Dismiss Dismiss with advisory letter Dismiss Invite respondent to a meeting for an interview Refer to Office of Investigations Open formal complaint and get response from respondent

Refer to Office of Prosecutions

#### Adjournment

At 2:15 p.m., a motion was made by Dr. Jones, seconded by Dr. Marshall, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

The above minutes were approved at the public meeting held on July 8, 2022.

Brian P. Biela

Brian Bialas, Executive Director

### List of Documents Used During the Public Meeting

- Agenda of June 10, 2022 Meeting
- Public Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2022
- Executive Session Minutes of April 8, 2022
- 6.3.22 Letter from L. Guzman-Hosta re: Direct Client Contact Hours in Forensic Setting
- Application of Daniel Gensler
- Application Documents of Rika Alper
- David Reinke, 20150810PY003-IT-ENF, 15th Quarterly Monitoring Report
- Edward Mendelowitz, 2019-000343-IT-ENF, Letters from E. Mendelowitz re: Non-Renewal of License
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