

BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF PSYCHOLOGISTS

Public Meeting Minutes of January 8, 2021

Board Members Present: Robert Carey, Jr., Ph.D., Chair
Marshaun Glover, Ph.D., Vice Chair
William Hudgins, Ph.D., Secretary
Vicky Anderson, Psy.D. (left meeting at 10:25 a.m.)
Tammy Jones, Psy.D.
John Marshall, D.C.

Staff Present: Brian Bialas, Executive Director
Kristina Gasson, Board Counsel
Jennifer Romeo-Porcaro, Board Counsel
Alan Van Tassel, Investigator

Pursuant to Governor Charles D. Baker's Executive Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, s. 20, dated March 12, 2020, all board members and staff appeared by videoconference.

At 9:13 a.m., the meeting was called to order by Dr. Carey.

Board Business

- **Public Meeting Minutes of November 13, 2020:** After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Hudgins, seconded by Dr. Jones, to approve the Public Meeting Minutes of November 13, 2020. The motion passed unanimously.
- **Executive Session Minutes of November 13, 2020:** After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Anderson, seconded by Dr. Jones, to approve the Executive Session Minutes of November 13, 2020. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion

- **11.8.20 Email from E. Kannard of Society for Advancement of Psychotherapy re: EPPP:** Read and reviewed.
- **12.7.20 Email from A. Wilbur of William James College re: Forensic Services:** The Board reviewed a letter from William James College that asks whether supervisors for interns who provide forensic services during home visits must be present physically during such visits. After discussion, the Board directed staff to respond with particular questions and then include William James College's responses on a future agenda.
- **Delegated Authority to Impose Discipline for CE Violation:** The Board considered whether to modify its delegated authority to staff to issue consent agreements for CE

violations that include a \$200 fine and double make-up of missing CEs for a first violation, and a \$400 fine and double make-up of missing CEs for a second violation. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Glover, seconded by Dr. Anderson, to affirm the delegated authority for CE violations. The motion passed unanimously.

Qualifications Review

- **Jinsoo Chun:** The Board reviewed an email from Dr. Chun asking whether he would be eligible for licensure if he completes an internship as the sole intern in his program at Taunton State Hospital after he already received his doctorate. After discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Glover, seconded by Dr. Jones, to inform Dr. Chun that he would not be eligible for licensure, but possibly could be licensed in Massachusetts if he becomes a licensed psychologist in another state for five years and is registered with the National Register of Health Service Psychologists. The motion passed unanimously.

Open Session for Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours in Advance of Meeting

Monitoring Report

- **Edward Mendelowitz, 2019-000343-IT-ENF, Approval of Supervisor:** The Board considered as an unanticipated matter whether to approve Dr. William Fitzgerald as Dr. Mendelowitz's supervisor. After a brief discussion, the Board directed staff to invite Dr. Mendelowitz and Dr. Fitzgerald to an interview with the Board, and to ask Dr. Mendelowitz for the CEs required under his consent agreement.

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

At 10:22 a.m., a motion was made by Dr. Glover, seconded by Dr. Anderson, to exit the public meeting and enter into a closed investigative conference under G.L. c. 112, s. 65C to review a case. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Anderson left the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

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

Case

2020-001093-IT-ENF (AS):

Dismiss

At 10:34 a.m., a motion was made by Dr. Hudgins, seconded by Dr. Jones, to exit investigative conference and return to the open meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session (closed under G.L. 30A, § 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to litigation, and G.L. c. 30A, s. 21(a)(7) to comply with G.L. c. 4, s. 7, para. 26(c) and G.L. c. 214, s. 1B – adhering to the public records law and to preserve the confidentiality of medical record information)

At 10:35 a.m., a motion was made by Dr. Glover, seconded by Dr. Marshall, to exit open session and enter into a closed executive session under G.L. 30A, § 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to litigation, and G.L. c. 30A, s. 21(a)(7) to comply with G.L. c. 4, s. 7, para. 26(c) and G.L. c. 214, s. 1B – adhering to the public records law and to preserve the confidentiality of medical record information. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

The Board exited executive session at 11:02 a.m.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

The above minutes were approved at the public meeting held on February 12, 2021.



Brian Bialas, Executive Director

List of Documents Used During the Public Meeting

- Agenda of January 8, 2021 Meeting
- Public Meeting Minutes of November 13, 2020
- Executive Session Minutes of November 13, 2020
- 11.8.20 Email from E. Kannard of Society for Advancement of Psychotherapy re: EPPP
- 12.7.20 Email from A. Wilbur of William James College re: Forensic Services
- CE Violations Penalties, by Board Document
- Sample Psychologist Board Consent Agreement for CE Violation
- 12.17.20 Email from J. Chun re: Internship
- Edward Mendelowitz, 2019-000343-IT-ENF, Approval of Supervisor Documents