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BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF PSYCHOLOGISTS

Public Meeting Minutes of November 12, 2021

Board Members Present: Robert Carey, Jr., Ph.D., Chair

Marshaun Glover, Ph.D., Vice Chair

John Marshall, D.C., Secretary

William Hudgins, Ph.D. Tammy Jones, Psy.D. Vicky Anderson, Psy.D.

Staff Present: Brian Bialas, Executive Director

Jenna Hentoff, Board Counsel

All board members and staff appeared by videoconference.

At 9:04 a.m., the meeting was called to order by Dr. Carey.

Board Business

- Public Meeting Minutes of October 8, 2021: After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Jones, seconded by Dr. Marshall, to approve the Public Meeting Minutes of October 8, 2021. The motion passed unanimously.
- Executive Session Minutes of October 8, 2021: After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Jones, seconded by Dr. Anderson, to approve the Executive Session Minutes of October 8, 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

Application Review Interviews – Foreign Applicants

• **Jeannette Daccache:** Dr. Daccache appeared to discuss her education and experience in Lebanon and France. She described her experience, and board members asked questions. The Board asked Dr. Daccache about her plans for practicing in Massachusetts and encouraged her to join the American Psychological Association and Massachusetts Psychological Association to learn more about the American system of providing psychological care.

After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Glover, seconded by Dr. Jones, to accept Dr. Daccache's education and experience for licensure. The motion passed unanimously.

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Dr. Daccache must apply for a license and pass the EPPP and jurisprudence examination.

• Davide Cappon: Dr. Cappon appeared to discuss his education and experience in Italy and the United Kingdom. He is licensed in those countries and currently works at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. He completed clinical training in the United States and now wants to take a clinical position in a multidisciplinary group to do geriatric work, focusing on anxiety, depression, and dementia.

After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Jones, seconded by Dr. Anderson, to accept Dr. Cappon's education and experience for licensure. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Cappon must apply for a license and pass the EPPP and jurisprudence examination.

Discussion

• Policy on Supervision and Teletherapy: The Board considered whether to extend its current policy allowing applicants to earn supervision hours by videoconference, and earn clinical hours for licensure by telephone and videoconference while a supervisor is available by telephone or videoconference, to June 30, 2022. Dr. Shellee Robbins of William James College and Dr. Jennifer Sarcone appeared and spoke in support of the extension.

After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Glover, seconded by Dr. Hudgins, to extend the policy through June 30, 2002 with changes. The motion passed unanimously.

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, and under G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(1), individual character rather than competence)

At 10:05 a.m., a motion was made by Dr. Glover, seconded by Dr. Marshall, to (1) exit the public meeting; (2) enter into executive session under G.L. c. 30A, \S 21(a)(7) to comply with G.L. c. 4, \S 7, \P 26(c) and G.L. c. 214, \S 1B – adhering to the public records law and to preserve the confidentiality of medical record information, and under G.L. c. 30A, \S 21(a)(1), individual character rather than competence; and (3) at the conclusion of the executive session, not return to the public meeting. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

<u>Investigative Conference</u> (closed to conduct investigatory conferences, pursuant to G.L. c. 112, § 65C)

The Board exited executive session and entered into investigative conference at 10:46 a.m.

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

Case Interview

2021-000548-IT-ENF (MG): Interviewed respondent; refer to Office of Prosecutions

Cases

 2018-000273-IT-ENF (PS):
 Refer to Office of Investigations

 2018-000270-IT-ENF (EN):
 Dismiss

 2021-000476-IT-ENF (MS):
 Dismiss

 2021-000621-IT-ENF (MP):
 Dismiss; forward complaint

 2021-000945-IT-ENF (RD):
 Dismiss; forward complaint

to Vermont Board

2021-000946-IT-ENF (SG): Dismiss

Adjournment

At 12:42 p.m., a motion was made by Dr. Marshall, seconded by Dr. Jones, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 12:42 p.m.

The above minutes were approved at the public meeting held on January 28, 2022.

Brian Bialas, Executive Director

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List of Documents Used During the Public Meeting

- Agenda of November 12, 2021 Meeting
- Public Meeting Minutes of October 8, 2021
- Executive Session Minutes of October 8, 2021
- Education and Experience Documentation for Jeannette Daccache
- Education and Experience Documentation for Davide Cappon
- Draft Policy on Supervision and Teletherapy
- 11.8.21 Email from S. Sprich of Massachusetts General Hospital re: Policy on Supervision and Teletherapy