

MINUTES OF A MEETING FOR
NEVADA STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS

DATE OF MEETING: Friday, October 16, 2015

Time: 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Office of the Attorney General, Grant Sawyer Building, 555 E. Washington Avenue, Conference Room 4500, Las Vegas, NV 89101.

and By video conference to Office of the Attorney General, 100 N. Carson Street, Mock Court Room, Carson City, NV 89701-4717

1. Call to order/roll call to determine the presence of a quorum.

In Las Vegas:

Gary Lenkeit, Ph.D., President

John Paglini, Psy.D., Member

Michelle Paul, Ph.D., Member

In Reno:

Sheila Young, Ph.D., Secretary/Treasurer

Yvonne Wood-Antonuccio, Ph.D., Member

Patrick Ghezzi, Ph.D., Member

Pam Becker, MA, Member

Others Present:

Morgan Alldredge, Executive Director

Pam Snyder, Executive Assistant

Sarah Bradley, DAG

Melanie Crawford

Brie Moore

Susan Ayarbe

2. Public Comment

No public comment.

3. Approval of minutes of previous meetings.

Ms. Becker moved to approve the August 14, 2015 minutes as written. Dr. Wood-Antonuccio second. The Board Vote 7-0-0

4. Treasurer's report

Dr. Young updated the Board regarding the finances, as of October 16, 2015, the bank balance is \$158,586.16. Dr. Young reported that the Board office is now a testing site for the Psychologist state exam and that there were quite a few costs to the Board to equip the testing room. Dr. Young also reported that the accountant has moved away and the Board office will find another accountant to complete the annual audit. Ms. Alldredge shared that we have received 10 Intern applicants which is helping to replace the loss of the CABI applicants' income. Dr. Wood-Antonuccio moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board Vote 6-0-0.

5. Review of complaints, disciplinary actions, and litigation pending.

- A. **Complaint #14-1008** - A former Board member hired by the Board to investigate this complaint, after reviewing the provided information, recommended for dismissal of the complaint. Dr. Young moved to dismiss the complaint. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
- B. **Complaint #15-0224** - Dr. Ghezzi, the reviewing Board member, after reviewing the provided information, found no evidence of overbilling and recommended for dismissal of the complaint. Dr. Paul moved to dismiss the complaint. Dr. Wood-Antonuccio second. Board Vote 6-0-1.
- C. **Complaint #15-0317** - A former Board member hired by the Board to investigate this complaint, after reviewing the provided information, recommended that this complaint move forward to a hearing. Dr. Paul moved to go forward to a hearing. Ms. Becker second. Board Vote 5-0-2. Dr. Lenkeit and Dr. Paglini recused.
- D. **Complaint #15-0420A** - Deferred until next meeting
- E. **Complaint #15-0420B** - Deferred until next meeting
- F. **Complaint #15-0427** - A former Board member hired by the Board to investigate this complaint, after an extensive review of the provided information, recommended for dismissal of the complaint with an educative letter to be sent to the psychologist involved. Dr. Young moved to dismiss the complaint with an educative letter to be sent to the psychologist. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board Vote 5-0-2. Dr. Lenkeit recused and Dr. Paglini was not in the room during vote.
- G. **Complaint #15-0602** - Dr. Paul, the reviewing Board member, after reviewing the provided information, recommended to dismiss contingent upon find out whether the psychologist was a registered PA at the time. Dr. Wood-Antonuccio made a motion for dismissal of the complaint contingent upon findings of active PA status. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board Vote 6-0-1
- H. **Complaint #15-0629A** - Dr. Paglini, the reviewing Board member, after reviewing the provided information, found no malpractice and recommended for dismissal of the complaint. Dr. Wood-Antonuccio moved to dismiss the complaint. Dr. Young second. Board Vote 6-0-1.
- I. **Complaint #15-0629B** - Dr. Paglini, the reviewing Board member, after reviewing the provided information, found no malpractice and recommended for dismissal of the complaint. Dr. Wood-Antonuccio moved to dismiss the complaint. Dr. Young second. Board Vote 6-0-1.
- J. **Complaint #15-0826** - Deferred until next meeting
- K. **Complaint #15-0901** - Assigned to Board member - Deferred until next meeting
- L. **Complaint #15-0922** - Waiting for signature of release of records. Deferred until next meeting
- M. **Complaint #15-0928** - Assigned to Board member - Deferred until next meeting

6. Update regarding complaint for Injunctive Relief filed against David Hopper in the Eighth Judicial District Court.

Ms. Bradley, DAG, stated that Attorney fees were awarded in the amount of \$34,000.00. Other costs totaling \$9400.00 were awarded, half will go to the Board and half will go to the DAG's office. Ms. Bradley is anticipating an appeal from Mr. Hopper and his attorney, to the Supreme Court. The DAG's office is working on a Press Release.

7. Schedule of future Board meetings, hearings, and workshops.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for December 4, 2015, through video conference at the University Campuses.

8. Board needs, operations, and schedules.

A. Update from Sub-committee to evaluate NAC changes/APA equivalency Changes.

Dr. Paul reported that the sub-committee will be meeting on a regular basis, to review and discuss the APA accreditation changes. After discussion of item 10, the Board charged the subcommittee to review and discuss future approaches to re-specialization. As this may require future changes to NAC 641 to evaluate the need of the public. The next workshop is scheduled for November 6, 2015 at 3:30pm via teleconference. A public workshop will be held during the meeting to evaluate the ability of ASSPB as the reviewer of Non-APA equivalency.

B. Update regarding BA State Exam

Ms. Alldredge reported that two Behavior Analysts tested in the Board office on October 22, 2015. As required, testing will be available for the Behavior Analysts every other month.

C. Update regarding Executive Director Retirement plan.

Ms. Alldredge reported that the Board had voted for the PERS plan with a percentage that was not accurate at the time of the Board meeting. Ms. Alldredge reported that she is working with Ms. Laxalt on developing a PERS agreement for Boards for the next legislature. Ms. Becker motioned to rescind the vote to place Ms. Alldredge in PERS; Ms. Alldredge is to come back with a dollar amount to place in IRA and Ms. Alldredge is to go forward in looking at a bill that will address the PERs needs of smaller boards. Dr. Wood-Antonuccio second. Board Voted 7-0-0.

9. Discussion and Decision of NAC 641 changes made in R127-14

Ms. Alldredge noted that in addition to the changes to Exam limits and Psychologist scope of practice; CABI has been removed from the entire chapter. Dr. Ghezzi stated that RBT (Registered Behavior Technician which have replaced the CABI) are required to have supervision and further stated that if an RBT has a complaint action against them the LBA supervisor would also be responsible. Ms. Becker moved to go forward with a Public Hearing. Dr. Wood-Antonuccio second. Board Voted 7-0-0.

10. Discussion and Decision of Elysse Kompaniez-Dunigan Re-specialization plan.

After discussion with the Board regarding the "Re-specialization Plan" for Ms. Kompaniez-Dunigan, it was decided that Dr. Young and Dr. Wood-Antonuccio would be working with Ms. Kompaniez-Dunigan on how to continue in the future. The syllabi for the coursework that was in question was to be provided. Ms. Alldredge was to provide prior approved Re-specialization plans for Dr. Young and Dr. Wood-Antonuccio to review. After the coursework is properly reviewed, Dr. Young and Dr. Wood-Antonuccio will present at a future Board meeting.

11. Discussion and Decision on action regarding Unlicensed Activity

A. UL20150001: Ms. Bradley, DAG, reported that another agency is filing suit against this particular individual. Ms. Bradley is to draft a letter to address the unlicensed activity.

12. Review/decision upon applications. (NRS 241.030)

PSYCHOLOGISTS/PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSISTANTS/PSYCHOLOGICAL INTERN

- A. Ines Acevedo Lugo - No discussion warranted.
- B. Caroline Alicea - No discussion warranted.
- C. Kathryn Allen - Dr. Wood-Antonuccio motioned to approve closure of file due to non-response. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 7-0-0
- D. Vanessa-Carolina Alvarado-Lopez
- E. Gera Anderson - No discussion warranted.
- F. John Barona - No discussion warranted.
- G. Medina Baumgart- Dr. Wood-Antonuccio motioned to approve closure of file per applicant's request. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
- H. Sarah Belgrad - No discussion warranted.
- I. Stephanie Bellusa - No discussion warranted.
- J. Steven Benning - No discussion warranted.
- K. Laura Birholtz - No discussion warranted.
- L. Ashley McCabe Bock - No discussion warranted.
- M. Carolyn Bola - Dr. Paul motioned to approve for licensure upon passing score of state exam and approval of application. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
- N. Bruce Bongar - No discussion warranted.
- O. Michael Borders - No discussion warranted.
- P. Lucas Broten - No discussion warranted.

Q. Cory Brown - No discussion warranted.
R. Cynthia Cameron - No discussion warranted.
S. Rachel Capurro - No discussion warranted.
T. Joseph Casciani - No discussion warranted.
U. Joseph Ceniti - Dr. Wood-Antonuccio motioned to approve for temporary licensure and state exam contingent upon completion and file approval. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
V. Sylvia Chang - No discussion warranted.
W. Maria Cid - No discussion warranted.
X. Herbert Coard III - No discussion warranted.
Y. Sunshine Collins - No discussion warranted.
Z. Kristen Culbert - Dr. Wood-Antonuccio motioned to approve for temporary licensure and state exam contingent upon completion and file approval. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-1. Dr. Paul recused.
AA. Janet Cummings - No discussion warranted.
BB. Amanda DeVillez - No discussion warranted.
CC. Margaret Dixon - No discussion warranted.
DD. John Dolores - Dr. Wood-Antonuccio motioned to approve closure of file due to non-response. Dr. Paul second.
Board Vote 7-0-0
EE. Soseh Esmaeili - No discussion warranted.
FF. Nancy Farris - No discussion warranted.
GG. Brent Fladmo - No discussion warranted.
HH. Elaine Force - Dr. Wood-Antonuccio motioned to approve for temporary licensure and state exam contingent upon completion and file approval. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
II. Andrew Freeman - No discussion warranted.
JJ. Jeremy Gallas - No discussion warranted.
KK. Jared Grant - No discussion warranted.
LL. Courtney Haight - No discussion warranted.
MM. Patricia Hanisee - No discussion warranted.
NN. Sandra Hawa - Dr. Wood-Antonuccio motioned to approve closure of file do to applicant's file being rejected. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
OO. Mikaela Hildabrant - No discussion warranted.
PP. Greg Hirokawa - Dr. Wood-Antonuccio motioned to approve for temporary licensure and state exam contingent upon completion and file approval. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
QQ. David Holcomb - Dr. Wood-Antonuccio motioned to approve for licensure upon passing score of state exam. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
RR. Suzannia Holden - No discussion warranted.
SS. Roy Hookham - No discussion warranted.
TT. Sethlin Hookstra - No discussion warranted.
UU. Yue Huang - No discussion warranted.
VV. Puja Jaitly - No discussion warranted.
WW. Dasa Jendrusakova - No discussion warranted.
XX. James Robert Jobe - No discussion warranted.
YY. Sophia Johnson - No discussion warranted.
ZZ. Deana Khoshaba - No discussion warranted.
AAA. Deborah Khoshaba - No discussion warranted.
BBB. Janet Kraft - No discussion warranted.
CCC. Andrew Krueger - No discussion warranted.
DDD. Cianni Kwon - No discussion warranted.
EEE. Denise LaBelle
FFF. Nadia Samad Locey - Dr. Wood-Antonuccio motioned to approve for licensure upon passing score of state exam. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
GGG. Salvatore Maddi - No discussion warranted.
HHH. Dustin Marsh - No discussion warranted.
III. Christopher McBride - Dr. Wood-Antonuccio motioned to approve closure of file per applicant's request. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
JJJ. Eva Miller - Dr. Wood-Antonuccio motioned to approve for licensure upon passing score of state exam. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
KKK. Farnaz Mizrahi - No discussion warranted.
LLL. Alexandra Montesi - No discussion warranted.
MMM. Amy Mouanoutoua - No discussion warranted.
NNN. Nusha Nouhi - No discussion warranted.
OOO. Ana Olivares - No discussion warranted.
PPP. Yelena Oren - No discussion warranted.
QQQ. Chauncey Parker - No discussion warranted.
RRR. Cathleen Piazza - No discussion warranted.
SSS. Eileen Proctor - No discussion warranted.
TTT. Katherine Puceta - Dr. Wood-Antonuccio motioned to approve closure of file due to non-response. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 7-0-0
UUU. Mary Pulido-Banner - No discussion warranted.
VVV. Deborah Purscell - No discussion warranted.
WWW. Rhiannon Rager - Dr. Paul motioned to approve for state exam. Dr. Wood second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
XXX. Tara Raines - No discussion warranted.
YYY. Danielle Richards - No discussion warranted.
ZZZ. Luz Robles Gonzalez - No discussion warranted.
AAAA. Judith Rosenthal - Dr. Wood-Antonuccio motioned to approve for licensure upon passing score of state exam. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
BBBB. Donald Salz - Dr. Wood-Antonuccio motioned to approve for temporary licensure and state exam contingent upon completion and file approval. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
CCCC. Rachel Sand - Dr. Wood-Antonuccio motioned to approve for temporary licensure and state exam contingent upon completion and file approval. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
DDDD. Samantha Saucedo - No discussion warranted.
EEEE. Jeff Schanowitz - No discussion warranted.
FFFF. Bethany Schlinger - No discussion warranted.
GGGG. Christine Schuster - No discussion warranted.
HHHH. Halleh Seddighzadeh - No discussion warranted.
IIII. Prachi Sharma - No discussion warranted.
JJJJ. Shewta Sharma - No discussion warranted.
KKKK. Mark Short - No discussion warranted.

LLLL. DeAnn Smetana - No discussion warranted.
MMMM. Lynn Stadler - No discussion warranted.
NNNN. Lonnie Stapp - No discussion warranted.
OOOO. Laurel Stinar - No discussion warranted.
PPPP. Kathi Studden - No discussion warranted.
QQQQ. Eddi Taylor - Dr. Young motioned to approve for licensure contingent upon APA equivalent approval, passing state exam and completion and approval of file. Ms. Becker second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
RRRR. Valerie Tolbert - No discussion warranted.
SSSS. Colette Valette - No discussion warranted.
TTTT. Betty Van Steenwyk - Dr. Wood-Antonuccio motioned to approve for temporary licensure and state exam contingent upon completion and file approval. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
UUUU. Michellane Vendivel-Mouton
VVVV. James Wakefield - No discussion warranted.
WWWW. Joseph Wallach - No discussion warranted.
XXXX. Allison Werlinger - No discussion warranted.
YYYY. Georgia Yu - No discussion warranted.

BEHAVIOR ANALYST/ASSISTANT BEHAVIOR ANALYST/CABI

- a) Janetria Alberty - Dr. Paul motioned to approve for licensure and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Wood Antonuccio second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
- b) Kaylin Arnold - No discussion warranted.
- c) Juliette Bacon - No discussion warranted.
- d) Kathleen Bohrer - Dr. Paul motioned to approve for licensure and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Wood Antonuccio second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
- e) Erin Brooks - Dr. Paul motioned to approve for licensure and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Wood Antonuccio second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
- f) Sarah Cho - No discussion warranted.
- g) Shannon Crozier - No discussion warranted.
- h) Jennifer Cummings - Dr. Paul motioned to approve for licensure and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Wood Antonuccio second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
- i) Robert Douk - Dr. Paul motioned to approve for licensure and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Wood Antonuccio second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
- j) Ashleigh Guich - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for temporary license and state exam. Dr. Wood Antonuccio second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
- k) Katherine Gutshall - Dr. Wood Antonuccio motioned to approve closure of applicant file due to non-response. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
- l) Jessica Hinman - No discussion warranted.
- m) Eric Kessler - No discussion warranted.
- n) Jessica Love - No discussion warranted.
- o) Cassandra McKenzie - No discussion warranted.
- p) Alexis Mutisya - No discussion warranted.
- q) Rebecca Neuffer - Dr. Paul motioned to approve closure of file due to temporary certification expiration. Ms. Becker second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
- r) Gabriela Ortega-Rios -- No discussion warranted.
- s) Kristine Osborne - Dr. Paul motioned to approve for licensure and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Wood Antonuccio second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
- t) Sunni Polani - Dr. Paul motioned to approve for licensure and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Wood Antonuccio second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
- u) Joanna Raymundo - No discussion warranted.
- v) Shea Redd - No discussion warranted.
- w) Kimberly Rowley - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for temporary license and state exam. Dr. Wood Antonuccio second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
- x) Beth Shumrak - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for temporary license and state exam. Dr. Wood Antonuccio second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
- y) Beth Shumrak - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for temporary license and state exam. Dr. Wood Antonuccio second. Board Vote 7-0-0.
- z) Vicki Tam - No discussion warranted.
- aa) Susan Woods - No discussion warranted.
- bb) Michael Zhe - Dr. Paul motioned to approve for licensure and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Wood Antonuccio second. Board Vote 7-0-0.

13. Discussion and assignment of articles for 2015 Newsletter.

Ms. Alldredge is going to send a list of ideas to write about, and each Board Member can pick what they would like to write about.

14. Approve for Transition in licensure status.

- A. Margaret Mary Curler; LaBA to LBA
- B. Angelo Oram; CABI to LaBA
- C. James Church; LaBA to LBA

Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve each for transition. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 7-0-0.

15. Update regarding requested Attorney General Opinion.

Ms. Bradley reported that during her preliminary research, talking with Dr. Lech and other Boards, that this statute affects many professions and will take some time to investigate and release the opinion. Ms. Bradley will be informing the other Boards of the opinion request.

16. Report from Sarah Bradley, DAG from FARB (Federation of Associations of Regulatory Boards) Legal Conference.

Ms. Bradley shared that ADA was heavily discussed and that there is an Ethics and Boundary Ethics course that could be used in response to certain complaints. Affiliated Monitors Company may be a possibility for the Board to use for future complaints. The Board would provide guidelines and the licensee would pay the cost. A discussion of Public Records led to the Board recommending the use of Board e-mails verses own personal e-mails for Board purpose. Ms. Alldredge will look into setting up Board members with Board specific email addresses.

17. Report from ASPPB Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting covered the changing of psychology in the past 50 years of regulation. The discussion of the Hoffman report, published this summer regarding the actions of individuals at the American Psychological Association.

A. Discussion of NAC 641.250 regarding implications of Hoffman Report effect on Board policies.

After a discussion of information shared at the ASPPB meeting, it was advised by Ms. Bradley not to limit to ethics code, but to adopt ASPPB code of conduct as well. The Board can take the APA code and add to our code of conduct. Ms. Alldredge suggested this might be added to sub-committee to adopt further codes. It was announced that Dr. Young was elected as Member at Large for ASSPB **Board of Directors**.

18. Correspondence

A. Melissa Almanza; Request for additional Temporary License.

The Board stated that Ms. Almanza needs to get her application in by December 4, 2015 Board meeting. The discussion of a possible temporary license can be discussed at that time.

B. Patrice Hanisee; Request for approval of previous supervision.

As the Board reviewed the information provided by Ms. Hanisee, there was some confusion regarding her application and her request as one of the letters was addressed to the Marriage and Family Therapists Board. Dr. Lenkeit requested Ms. Alldredge to reach out to Ms. Hanisee to complete her PLUS application for the Board to be better equipped to understand her request.

C. Ginger Peterson; Request for approval of application without Pre-doctoral supervision.

The Board discussed and decided that Ms. Peterson needs to submit a training program and file her application with a very detailed Re-specialization Plan with an APA equivalency, prior to further direction from the Board.

19. Public Comment.

There was no public present.

20. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Ghezzi motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:10 with a 10 minute break at 10:55. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 7-0-0.