

**MINUTES OF A MEETING FOR**  
**NEVADA STATE OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS**

**DATE OF MEETING:** Friday, March 25, 2016

**Time:** 9:00 a.m.

**PLACE:** University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 4505 S. Maryland Pkwy. System Computing Services, Room 306, Las Vegas, NV 89154

And by video conference to

University of Nevada, Reno System Computing Services, Room 47, Reno Nevada 89557

**1. The meeting was called to order at 9:03am**

**In Las Vegas:**

Gary Lenkeit, Ph.D., President

Michelle Paul, Ph.D., Member

John Paglini, Psy.D., Member

**Others Present:**

Raymond Trybus, Ph.D.

Sean Collier

Karine Clay, Ph.D.

**In Reno:**

Sheila Young, Ph.D., Secretary/Treasurer

Patrick Ghezzi, Ph.D., Member

Pam Becker, Member

**Others Present:**

Morgan Alldredge, Executive Director

Sarah Bradley, DAG

Kris Maul

Hal Taylor, JD

Elysse Kompaniez-Dunnigan, Ph.D.

Brian Reeder

Chris Ferrari

Margaret Dixon, Ph.D.

Melanie Crawford, Ph.D.

Susan Ayarbe, Ph.D.

Jim Dunnigan

Brie Moore, Ph.D.

Nick Nicosia

**2. Public Comment**

No public comment

**3. Approval of minutes of previous meetings**

Dr. Ghezzi moved to approve the Friday, February 26, 2016 minutes as submitted. Ms. Becker second. Board Vote 5-0-0.

**4. Treasurer's report**

Dr. Young reported that the Board is spending well and on target with staff, legal and professional fees. There was a possibility to withdraw from CD's due to upcoming hearing costs, but because of exams being given bi-monthly we will not need to withdraw. The Board will need to re-evaluate in October. Dr. Young reported that the bank balance is \$106,372.18. Pam Becker motioned to approve the report. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board Vote 5-0-0.

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

- A. **Complaint #15-0317** - Ms. Bradley reported that a hearing has been moved to June 10, 2016. Notice to be sent to psychologist by April 1, 2016.
- B. **Complaint #15-0826** - Dr. Paglini, the reviewing Board member, worked with Ms. Bradley and presented the complaint. Most of the complaint was in regard to items the Board has no claim to. Pam Becker motioned to dismiss the complaint. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board Vote 4-0-1
- C. **Complaint #15-0928** - Complaint deferred until next Board meeting.
- D. **Complaint #15-1008A** - Complaint deferred until next meeting.
- E. **Complaint #15-1008B** - Complaint deferred until next meeting.
- F. **Complaint #15-1123** - There is a need for an outside investigator. Pam Becker moved to hire an outside investigator to review this case. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 5-0-1.
- G. **Complaint #15-1130** - Complaint deferred until next meeting.
- H. **Complaint #15-1210** - Dr. Paul, the reviewing Board member, upon receiving more information and further review recommended dismissal. Dr. Paul motioned to dismiss the complaint. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board Vote 5-0-1.
- I. **Complaint #16-0115** - Ms. Bradley is waiting for response from ASPPB. Complaint deferred until next meeting. There may be a possible hearing scheduled at the April 29, 2016 Board meeting.
- J. **Complaint #16-0119** - Complaint deferred until next Board meeting.
- K. **Complaint #16-0120** - Complaint deferred until next Board meeting.
- L. **Complaint #16-0127** - Complaint deferred until next Board meeting.
- M. **Complaint #16-0222** - Complaint deferred until next Board meeting.
- N. **Complaint #16-0223** - Complaint deferred until next Board meeting.

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

This was deferred until the next Board meeting.

**7. Board Policies and Procedures regarding the registration of Psychological Interns.**

**A. Approval process for Psychological Interns**

Ms. Alldredge introduced the new Intern List, which allows us a better way to monitor applications for registration. It was decided that the Board does not have to monitor hourly logs for the interns. Ms. Becker motioned to approve this new Intern List. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board Vote 6-0-0.

**8. Schedule of future Board meetings, hearings, and workshops.**

The next Board meetings are April 29, 2016, and June 10, 2016 at 9:00am. Ms. Alldredge also reminded the southern Board members to be prepared to possibly come to the hearing on April 29, 2016, if that goes forth.

**9. Board needs, operations, and schedules.**

**A. Notice Nevada Medicaid of LBA Scope of Practice**

Ms. Bradley stated that it may be appropriate for the Board to send a letter to Medicaid. Dr. Lenkeit asked that Ms. Bradley and Ms. Alldredge put together a draft for Dr. Lenkeit to review prior to sending out. Ms. Becker moved that the Board send a letter to Medicaid stating the scope of practice for LBA's. Dr. Young second. Board Vote 6-0-0.

**10. Update regarding changes to NAC 641.**

**A. R127-14** - There were no updates.

**B. R128-14** - Ms. Bradley reported items that were added for disciplinary procedures for LBA's, such as is in place for psychologists, also items cleaning up all items with CABI. A Public Hearing will be scheduled for 4/29/15.

**C. R131-15** - Dr. Paul reported on the sub-committee meeting and stated that because of a misinterpretation, a revision had to be made, but they have not received that back. Dr. Trybus from Walden University had submitted a suggested change to R131-15 at the last Board meeting regarding education evaluation. The revision provides Non-APA applicants the option for either the Director or Chair of an APA program or ASPPB be the entity to evaluate the equivalency. Ms. Bradley read NRS 641-170(1)(d), which states the standards the Board must adhere to, which was put into place in 1987. Ms. Alldredge states that CARS, which is the ASPPB approval process, is a four person process in which the Board will use to check equivalency. Ms. Bradley also suggested a consideration, when an applicant is denied, to have a more codified process of appeal. Mr. Taylor spoke in regard to what the legislation currently is and encouraged the Board to continue to follow that. Mr. Maul stated that he agreed with the language that Mr. Trybus used, of allowing both options for the applicant. Dr. Paul asked about the legal liability of a single person reviewing equivalency. Ms. Bradley cited NRS 641.318 which covers immunity of certain persons concerning civil liability.

Dr. Young made a motion for Ms. Bradley to draft an amendment that would define the appeal process for reconsideration when an applicant is denied. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0.

Dr. Paul motioned to approve the amendment as proposed by Dr. Trybus in its' entirety. Pam Becker second.

Board Vote 4-1-1.

**D. R038-16** - Ms. Alldredge worked on language for Intern standards and it has been submitted to LCB. Dr. Trybus had one concern raised in regard to "substantially on-line" language and requested that be struck. However, since the language had not been received back from LCB further discussion of this language change was tabled.

**11. Review/decision upon applications. (NRS 241.030)**

**PSYCHOLOGISTS/PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSISTANTS/PSYCHOLOGICAL INTERN**

- A. Kamar Abulsaad** - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for licensure contingent on file completion and approval and passing state exam. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- B. Ines Acevedo Lugo** - No discussion warranted
- C. Nicole Anders** - No discussion warranted
- D. Gera Anderson** - No discussion warranted
- E. Christopher Awosika** - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for licensure contingent on file completion and approval and passing state exam. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- F. John Barona** - No discussion warranted
- G. Stephanie Bellusa** - No discussion warranted
- H. Steven Benning** - No discussion warranted
- I. Ashley McCabe Bock** - No discussion warranted
- J. Carolyn Bola** - No discussion warranted
- K. Michael Borders** - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to close file due to non-response. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- L. Tara Borsh** - No discussion warranted
- M. Janet Brito** - No discussion warranted
- N. Cory Brown** - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for licensure contingent upon passing state exam. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- O. David Brownstein** - No discussion warranted

P. Jessica Kirkland Caldwell - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for licensure contingent upon passing state exam. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 6-0-0.

Q. Cynthia Cameron - No discussion warranted

R. Rachel Capurro - No discussion warranted

S. Joseph Casciani - No discussion warranted

T. Joseph Ceniti - No discussion warranted

U. Sylvia Chang - No discussion warranted

V. Maria Cid - No discussion warranted

W. Sunshine Collins - No discussion warranted

X. Julia Connelly - No discussion warranted

Y. Kristen Culbert - No discussion warranted

Z. MMelissa Depa - No discussion warranted

AA. Amanda DeVillez - No discussion warranted

BB. Margaret Dixon - Discussion in making sure that she is following the Regulations correctly. She is a school Psychologist and can advertise as such, she is now a Psychological Assistant. Clarification was made.

CC. Melanie Duckworth - No discussion warranted

DD. Soseh Esmaeili - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for licensure contingent on passing state exam. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 6-0-0.

EE. Bruce Etringer - No discussion warranted

FF. Brent Fladmo - No discussion warranted

GG. Andrew Freeman - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to close file due to non-response. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 5-0-1.

HH. Jeremy Gallas - No discussion warranted

II. Jared Grant - No discussion warranted

JJ. Patricia Hanisee - No discussion warranted

KK. Brian Hartman - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for licensure contingent on passing state exam. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 6-0-0.

LL. Greg Hirokawa - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for licensure contingent on file completion and approval and passing state exam. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 6-0-0.

MM. Roy Hookham - No discussion warranted

NN. Yue Huang - No discussion warranted

OO. Victoria Huangfu - No discussion warranted

PP. Puja Jaitly - No discussion warranted

QQ. James Robert Jobe - No discussion warranted

RR. Sophia Johnson - No discussion warranted

SS. Amoreena Juarez - No discussion warranted

TT. Johana Kang - No discussion warranted

UU. Alexia Kevonitan - No discussion warranted

VV. Deborah Khoshaba - No discussion warranted

WW. Janet Kraft - No discussion warranted

XX. Andrew Krueger - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for licensure contingent on passing state exam. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 6-0-0.

YY. Denise LaBelle - No discussion warranted

ZZ. Salvatore Maddi - No discussion warranted

AAA. Dustin Marsh - No discussion warranted

BBB. Lynn Marshall - No discussion warranted

CCC. Wayne McClellan - No discussion warranted

DDD. Farnaz Mizrahi - No discussion warranted

EEE. Alexandra Montesi - Dr. Paglini motioned to close file due to application deadline and non-response. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 6-0-0.

FFF. Amy Mouanoutoua - No discussion warranted

GGG. Jason Mouritsen - No discussion warranted

HHH. Nusha Nouhi - No discussion warranted

III. Ana Olivares - No discussion warranted

JJJ. Yelena Oren - No discussion warranted

KKK. Chauncey Parker - No discussion warranted

LLL. Cathleen Piazza - No discussion warranted

MMM. Eileen Proctor - No discussion warranted

NNN. Mary Pulido-Banner - No discussion warranted

OOO. Tara Raines - No discussion warranted

PPP. Jamie Rehmael - No discussion warranted

QQQ. Rachel Sand - Dr. Ghezzi approved for licensure contingent on passing state exam. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 6-0-0.

RRR. Samantha Saucedo - No discussion warranted

SSS. Jeff Schanowitz - No discussion warranted

TTT. Bethany Schlinger - No discussion warranted

UUU. Halleh Seddighzadeh - No discussion warranted

VVV. Prachi Sharma - No discussion warranted

WWW. Shewta Sharma - No discussion warranted

XXX. Mark Short - No discussion warranted

YYY. DeAnn Smetana - No discussion warranted

ZZZ. Holly Spotts - No discussion warranted

AAAA. Laurel Stinar - No discussion warranted

BBBB. Nicole Stoughton - No discussion warranted

CCCC. Kathi Studden - No discussion warranted

DDDD. James Sunbury - No discussion warranted

EEEE. Eddi Taylor - Dr. Wood-Antonuccio motioned to close file due to non-response. Dr. Paul second. Board vote 6-0-0.

FFFF. Valerie Tolbert - No discussion warranted

GGGG. Betty Van Steenwk - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for licensure contingent on file completion and approval and passing state exam. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0.

HHHH. Michellane Vendivel-Mouton - No discussion warranted

IIII. James Wakefield - No discussion warranted

JJJJ. Betty Waldheim - No discussion warranted

KKKK. Joseph Wallach - No discussion warranted

LLLL. Justine Weber - No discussion warranted

MMMM. Allison Werlinger - No discussion warranted

NNNN. Tela Wilson - No discussion warranted

OOOO. Eric Yelsa - No discussion warranted

PPPP. Georgia Yu - No discussion warranted

**BEHAVIOR ANALYST/ASSISTANT BEHAVIOR ANALYST/CABI**

- a) **Janetria Alberty** - Dr. Paglini motioned to close file due to non-response. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- b) **Brigitta Allen** - No discussion warranted.
- c) **Calli Anderson** - No discussion warranted.
- d) **Kaylin Arnold** - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to close file due to expiration of license. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- e) **Kathleen Bohrer** - No discussion warranted.
- f) **Sarah Cho** - No discussion warranted.
- g) **Rebecca Click** - Dr. Paglini motioned to approve for temporary license and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- h) **Jamie Goodrich** - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for temporary license and state exam. Dr. Young second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- i) **Jessica Hinman** - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to close file due to expiration of license. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- j) **Jamie Huges-Lika** - Dr. Paglini motioned to approve for temporary license and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- k) **Tania Izquierdo** - Dr. Paglini motioned to approve for temporary license and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- l) **Cassandra McKenzie** - No discussion warranted.
- m) **Karen Nohelty** - No discussion warranted.
- n) **Gabriela Ortega-Rios** - No discussion warranted.
- o) **Julie Richards** - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for temporary license and state exam. Dr. Young second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- p) **Kathryn Roose** - No discussion warranted.
- q) **Kimberly Rowley** - No discussion warranted.
- r) **Beth Shumrak** - No discussion warranted.
- s) **Cynthia Skocypec** - No discussion warranted.
- t) **Sara Stratz** - No discussion warranted.
- u) **Vicki Tam** - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to close file due to expiration of license. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- v) **Laura Weigel** - Dr. Paglini motioned to approve for temporary license and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- w) **Wilfred Williams** - No discussion warranted.
- x) **Susan Woods** - No discussion warranted.

**12. Further discussion regarding email sent from Chaz Rainey**

Ms. Bradley advised the Board to only respond to questions pertaining to NAC 641. She specifically stated questions 10, 11 and 12 and possibly 5. Dr. Lenkeit stated a possible response to question 5 - Psychologist must work within NRS 641/NAC 641 and APA guidelines and non-licensed persons are unable to direct treatment; and question 2 - The Board doesn't license corporations; while registration is in statute it is not currently enforced. The answers to questions 2 and 5 will be sent and Ms. Bradley will work on a draft for the rest to be presented to the Board at the April meeting.

**13. Discussion and decision regarding Elysse Kompaniez-Dunnigan**

Dr. Lenkeit updated the public regarding the history of the education plan. Dr. Young presented the committee's review process with the Board approving a re-specialization program. Mr. Taylor presented Dr. Kompaniez-Dunnigan's process and requests the Board to complete the motion that was made in October. Dr. Lenkeit recommended that we send to ASPPB for review. After a long discussion, Dr. Paglini motioned that we send to ASPPB for review of program. Dr. Paul second. Board Vote 6-0-0.

**14. Update regarding requested Attorney General Opinion for clarification of NRS 432B.040.**

Ms. Bradley reported that a draft was written and waiting for final approval. Ms. Bradley will mail to Ms. Alldredge for review to Board members before the April Board meeting.

**15. Discussion and Clarification of NAC 641.219**

Dr. Paglini reported that record retention according to APA guidelines is 7 years, yet our NAC 641 regulations state 5 years for healthcare records. It was stated that the court is the actual client, therefore, would 7 years meet the court retention schedules. Ms. Bradley will find out what the Court retention record regulations are. Ms. Bradley recommended an amendment to NAC 641 to match the APA guidelines and to specific forensic verses healthcare. Ms. Bradley and Ms. Alldredge will come up with language suggestion for the next Board meeting in April 2016.

**16. Correspondence****A. Timothy Sinnott: Clarification of LBA scope of practice**

Ms. Alldredge suggests that the Board work on clarification of the scope of practice in the regulations. There was a discussion about scope of practice for LBA. It was decided he may provide the services in his email, anxiety disorders, depression, ADHD, sleep disorders and autism, as long as there was an initial autism diagnosis.

**17. Public Comment.**

Mr. Nick Nicosia began to make a public comment on a complaint that is pending before the Board. Ms. Bradley had to stop Mr. Nicosia because the complaint is still under review.

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

Dr. Ghezzi motioned to adjourn meeting at 12:10am, with a 5 minute break during the meeting. Dr. Paglini second. Board vote 6-0-0.