

MINUTES OF A MEETING FOR
NEVADA STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS

DATE OF MEETING: Friday, February 10, 2017

Time: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: University of Nevada Las Vegas, 4505 S. Maryland Pkwy. System Computing Services Rm. 306, Las Vegas, NV 89154 and By video conference to University of Nevada, Reno System Computing Services, Rm.47, Reno, NV 89557

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:12am

In Las Vegas:

Michelle Paul, Ph.D., President
John Paglini, Psy.D., Member
Whitney Owens, Psy.D., Member

Others Present:

Gary Lenkeit, Ph.D.
Stephanie Holland
Karine Clay

In Reno:

Sheila Young, Ph.D., Secretary/Treasurer
Yvonne Wood, Ph.D., Member
Patrick Ghezzi, Ph.D., Member
Pam Becker, Member

Others Present:

Morgan Alldredge, Executive Director
Pam Snyder, Executive Assistant
Sarah Bradley, DAG
Lynn Beggs, Lawyer
Jennifer Highsmith

2. Public Comment

No public comment.

3. Approval of minutes of previous meetings; January 6, 2017

Ms. Becker motioned to approved the Friday, January 6, 2017 minutes. Dr. Ghezzi second.
Board Vote 6-0-0.

4. Treasurer's report for F/Y 2016-2017.

Dr. Young reported that since July 1, 2016, the Board has received \$293,531.35. The majority of these fees do come from biennial fees. There are a few outstanding renewals, but most of the income has been received. As reported there were increased costs due to the Board training in January. All costs were covered by the budget. There will be travel costs related to the ASPPB in Memphis with sending Ms. Alldredge, Dr. Owens and Dr. Paul. Otherwise all expenses should stay the same. The 12-month CD renewed in January gaining \$27.35. The bank balance is \$246,172.27. Dr. Paul talked about an audit by Debra Scott and one of the things that was discussed was a salary range for office employees, specifically for the position of Executive Director. Ms. Becker offered to send salary ranges that the Children's Cabinet uses to assist in this. Dr. Paul stated that another item that Debra Scott brought up was the implementation of online renewals. Ms. Alldredge stated that the payment we are currently making for the database includes a piece of undeveloped software that will allow us to do this. Ms. Bradley found in the regulations that we can charge back for credit card fees. It was stated that as soon as the legislation session is over we will move forward with an on-line payment system. Dr. Young made a motion to put \$5000.00 from the checking into a CD annually. Dr. Owens second. Board Vote 6-0-0. Dr. Paglini motioned to approve the treasurer's report. Dr. Owens second. Board Vote 6-0-0.

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

A. Complaint #15-0928 - Dr. Lenkeit, investigator on this complaint, recommended that the Board refer to the Attorney General office for disciplinary action. Ms. Becker motioned to refer to Attorney General's office. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board Vote 6-0-0. Defer to next meeting.

B. Complaint #15-1123 - Ms. Bradley is researching working on a possible settlement, defer to next meeting.

C. Complaint #16-0115 - See Item 7 below.

D. Complaint #16-0222 - Ms. Bradley working on and will notice them for the April 7, 2017 Board meeting. Defer to next meeting.

E. Complaint #16-0328 - This was sent to AG office who will notice them for the April 7, 2017 Board meeting. Defer to next meeting.

F. Complaint #16-0818 - This was dismissed last meeting and the dismissal letter has gone out as the additional evidence was reviewed and the dismissal stands.

G. Complaint #16-0919 - Dr. Lenkeit, investigator on this complaint, notified the Board that due to information received in the investigation, Dr. Paul signed a summary suspension order regarding this Psychologist's license. A hearing needs to be set within 45 days from the February 7, 2016 date of suspension. Ms. Bradley set the date for the hearing for Monday, March 20th at 1pm.

H. Complaint #16-1005 - Discussed under 5F.

I. Complaint #16-1115 - Referred to Ms. Bradley, defer until next meeting.

J. Complaint #16-1221 - Psychologist asked for extension and was granted and has until February 28, 2017 to respond. Defer to next meeting.

K. Complaint #16-1222 - Ms. Alldredge will prepare and send to GL, defer to next meeting.

L. Complaint #16-1227 - Upon presentation of the complaint the Board requested Ms. Alldredge write a letter to the psychologist requesting a copy of their Notice of Privacy Practices/Informed Consent that was provided to the patient. Defer to next meeting.

6. Discussion and Decision regarding Unlicensed Activity

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

Ms. Bradley provided the Order of Affirmance granting the injunctive relief and an order granting attorney fees. The Board is owed a little under \$32,000.00 that should go back to the Board. Dr. Paul suggested placing the receipt of fees/cost under the Treasurer's purview to make sure the receipt doesn't fall away from the Board's tracking. Ms. Bradley stated that she will look into what may be needed to receive these funds. Ms. Bradley shared that Mr. Hopper's Board received allegations that he was doing immigration evaluations after this case was filed. Ms. Bradley said that she could pursue if the Board wants her to. Ms. Becker made a motion to have Ms. Bradley pursue Hopper's activity in order to hold him accountable to the order, and if need be, take action in order to protect the public. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0.

B. UL20150001

Ms. Bradley stated they may need to have a hearing on this. Defer to next meeting.

7. Complaint #15-0115: Jennifer Highsmith

A. Review and Approval of Supervisor as required by stipulated agreement.

Dr. Highsmith reported that Dr. Nicole Cavanaugh, Ph.D. in Las Vegas has agreed to supervise Dr. Highsmith. Ms. Bradley will send letter to Dr. Cavanaugh and Dr. Highsmith to include "competency language" in regard to assessment language. Dr. Paul will provide help to specific information needed with language. Ms. Bradley states that when Dr. Cavanaugh reviews and there are concerns then she will need to explain why and provide notes of suggested changes if any. Dr. Paul reminded the Board of the order. Dr. Young suggested that the results of ASPPB evaluation be sent to Dr. Cavanaugh. Ms. Becker motioned to approve Dr. Cavanaugh as her supervisor to begin March 1, 2017 with first review due April 1st. Dr. Owens second. Board Vote 6-0-0. Dr. Paul signed the settlement agreement; Ms. Bradley will send an amendment. The first report will be due April 1st and commencement of the supervision should begin as soon as possible or by March 1, 2017 at the latest.

B. Clarification of Continuing Education as required by stipulated agreement.

Lynn Beggs, attorney for Dr. Highsmith, asked the Board to clarify if the 100 additional CE hours are a total of 108 or 130. It was clarified that 100 additional CE's in person in neuropsychology are required in addition to the 30 normally required for renewal for a total of 130. Ms. Becker motioned that an amendment to the order to reflect the above statement in regard to the additional CE's. Dr. Owens second. Board Vote 6-0-0.

8. Psychology State Exam

A. Update from Exam Commissioner/Review & discussion of Contract with testing Developer PSI

Dr. Stephanie Holland states that a 1 Day Workshop is scheduled with Comira, recently acquired by PSI, on February 24, 2017. There were concerns on the high prices that are being charged; per her calculations they appear to be charging approximately \$400.00 per hour. Dr. Holland asked for the new contract and PSI only sent an addendum this morning, not a new contract. Dr. Holland is asking for some guidance in this matter. It was stated that the contract with Comira was \$3000.00, now with PSI they are asking \$6400.00. Dr. Holland is concerned with large increase. Ms. Bradley raised concern regarding the format of the amendment and the need for contracts to be on state forms. Ms. Bradley and Ms. Alldredge will look at the original contract with Comira and see what is required in order to institute a new contract. Dr. Paul asked if Dr. Holland would be able to facilitate test construction and test item writing, as with changes on the horizon for the profession changing to a law based exam may be best. It was stated that we are still under the old contract with Comira, as we have not signed anything at this point. Dr. Paul stated that we are authorizing Dr. Holland to pay PSI under the old contract until a new contract is developed. The focus group scheduled for February 24, 2017, if under the old contract can go forth. The Board will discuss future exam development at the April meeting.

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

The next Board meetings are Friday April 7th, 2017 and Friday May 5th, 2017. The ASPPB meeting is end of April. A hearing is set for Monday, March 20th, 2017 at 1pm.

10. Board needs, operations, and schedules.

A. Discussion and Development of Evaluation committee

Dr. Paul introduced the need for the committee, with the Board receiving applicants from Non-APA accredited programs who are finding it difficult to locate reviewers. With the recent language change, there are three ways currently offered for the evaluations. 1) ASPPB review of the course work 2) Finding a chairman, dean, or department head of an APA-approved graduate program 3) Or the Board can establish a sub-committee to review applications. It was discussed whether this committee would be just Board members or a mixture of Board members and possibly non-Board members. This committee would develop a new worksheet/form that aligns with the new regulations. To include non-Board members, it needs to be added to the regulations. It was decided that Dr. Paul, Dr. Young and Dr. Owens would be this committee. Dr. Ghezzi made a motion to create a committee with Dr. Paul, Dr. Young and Dr. Owens as this committee. Ms. Becker second. Board Vote 6-0-0. Further meetings will be coordinated through the Board office and noticed on the website.

B. Presentation of New Discipline Procedure

Defer to future Board Meeting

C. Update regarding 2017-2018 license renewal

1. Request from Dr. Erin Oksol for CE extension

Ms. Becker made a motion to approve the extension. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0.

11. 79th Legislative session

A. Legislative Issues that may affect the running of the Board.

Ms. Alldredge was contacted by Eddie Ablesar who is the Administrator for Aging and Disability. The suggestion is to take the LBA's and LaBA under their division. There will be a meeting set up with Eddie Ablesar, Jared Chase, Ms. Alldredge and Dr. Ghezzi to discuss the need for the change.

1. Meeting with Senator Joe Hardy

Dr. Paul stated there was a warm reception and they were able to show him how this Board has been making significant strides in licensing quickly and efficiently and how we have worked nationally with the PsyPact. Senator Hardy had recommendations for who to talk with and Ms. Laxalt and Ms. Alldredge will be working on that.

-BDRs or Future Legislative actions that may affect the Board.

-BDRS

1. 8	12. 31-235	23. 18-374
2. 24	13.22-241	24. 19-389
3. 20-42	14.280	25. 54-391
4. 23-44	15. 54-288	26. 54-410
5. 78	16. 54-066	27. 7-425
6. 14-138	17. 21-301	28. 23-429
7. 157	18. 310	29. 54-483

8. 185	19. 54-319	30. 54-484
9. 192	20. 54-350	31. 7-486
10. 19-205	21. 351	
11. 54-218	22. 38-363	

-Pre-Filled Bills

AB10	AB71	SB27
AB18	SB04	SB69
AB46	SB14	SB71
AB51	SB23	

-There were no discussions in regard to specific bills.

12. Review/decision upon applications (NRS 241.030)

PSYCHOLOGISTS/PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSISTANTS/PSYCHOLOGICAL INTERNS

- A. Kamaar Abulsaad - No discussion warranted
- B. Ines Acevedo Lugo - No discussion warranted
- C. Carolina Morales Alicea - No discussion warranted
- D. Crystal Allen - No discussion warranted
- E. Elham Aminigohar - No discussion warranted
- F. Gera Anderson - No discussion warranted
- G. Denese Arvelo - No discussion warranted
- H. Hope Bagley - No discussion warranted
- I. John Barona - No discussion warranted
- J. Stephanie Bellusa - No discussion warranted
- K. Steven Benning - No discussion warranted
- L. Ashley McCabe Bock - No discussion warranted
- M. Matthew Boland - No discussion warranted
- N. Tara Boswell - No discussion warranted
- O. Adam Bradford - No discussion warranted
- P. Cory Brown - No discussion warranted
- Q. James Bryan - Dr. Owens motioned to approve for temporary license and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Young second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- R. Sonja Burke - No discussion warranted
- S. Cynthia Cameron - No discussion warranted
- T. Rachel Cappuro - No discussion warranted
- U. Rita Carlson - No discussion warranted
- V. Joseph Casciani - No discussion warranted
- W. Sylvia Chang - No discussion warranted
- X. Daniel Chatel - No discussion warranted
- Y. Maria Cid - No discussion warranted
- Z. Lara Conrad - No discussion warranted
- AA. John Crum - No discussion warranted
- BB. Allison Deatherage - No discussion warranted
- CC. Melissa Depa - No discussion warranted
- DD. Amanda DeVillez - No discussion warranted
- EE. Nicole Dionsio - No discussion warranted
- FF. Margaret Dixon - No discussion warranted
- GG. Melanie Duckworth - No discussion warranted
- HH. Brent Fladmo - No discussion warranted
- II. Andrew Freeman - No discussion warranted
- JJ. William Gallego - No discussion warranted
- KK. Karesha Gayles - No discussion warranted
- LL. Rucsandra Georgescu - No discussion warranted
- MM. Kim Goldman - No discussion warranted
- NN. Sandra Gray - No discussion warranted
- OO. Cindy Greenslade - No discussion warranted
- PP. Jennifer Grimes-Vawters - No discussion warranted
- QQ. Amanda Grovert - No discussion warranted
- RR. Steve Guevera - No discussion warranted
- SS. Patricia Hanisee - No discussion warranted
- TT. John Hanson - No discussion warranted
- UU. Mary Harrison - No discussion warranted
- VV. Bernadette Hinojos - No discussion warranted
- WW. Greg Hirokawa - No discussion warranted
- XX. Rebecca Holczer - No discussion warranted
- YY. Roy Hookham - No discussion warranted
- ZZ. Josette Iribarne-Cazcano - No discussion warranted
- AAA. Puja Jaitly - No discussion warranted
- BBB. Tami Jeffcoat - No discussion warranted
- CCC. Dasa Jenrusakova - No discussion warranted
- DDD. Luke Jensen - No discussion warranted
- EEE. James Jobe - No discussion warranted

FFF. Davina Johnston - No discussion warranted
GGG. Timi Jordison - No discussion warranted
HHH. Amoreena Juarez - No discussion warranted
III. Johana Kang - No discussion warranted
JJJ. Alexia Kevonian - No discussion warranted
KKK. Deborah Khoshaba - No discussion warranted
LLL. Janet Kraft - No discussion warranted
MMM. Andrew Krueger - No discussion warranted
NNN. Denise LaBelle - No discussion warranted
OOO. Quinten Lynn - No discussion warranted
PPP. Salvatore Maddi - No discussion warranted
QQQ. Debra Maddox - Dr. Owens motioned to approve for state exam contingent upon file completion and approval.
Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
RRR. Camille Malcherzyk - No discussion warranted
SSS. Dustin Marsh - No discussion warranted
TTT. Wayne McClellan - No discussion warranted
UUU. Mark McDonough - No discussion warranted
VVV. Stephanie McLaughlin - No discussion warranted
WWW. Claudia Mejia - No discussion warranted
XXX. Alexandria Moorer - No discussion warranted
YYY. Amy Mouanoutoua - No discussion warranted
ZZZ. Nusha Nouhi - No discussion warranted
AAAA. Yelena Oren - No discussion warranted
BBBB. Dorothy Parriott - No discussion warranted
CCCC. Dylena Pierce - No discussion warranted
DDDD. Brian Potts - No discussion warranted
EEEE. Elizabeth Pritchard - No discussion warranted
FFFF. Mary Pulido-Banner - No discussion warranted
GGGG. Deborah Purscell - No discussion warranted
HHHH. Tara Raines - No discussion warranted
IIII. Reshma Rampersad - No discussion warranted
JJJJ. Jamie Rehmael - No discussion warranted
KKKK. Luz Robles-Gonzalez - No discussion warranted
LLLL. Brian Sackett - No discussion warranted
MMMM. Samantha Saucedo - No discussion warranted
NNNN. Jeff Schanowitz - No discussion warranted
OOOO. Avraham Schweiger - No discussion warranted
PPPP. Shamecca Scott - No discussion warranted
QQQQ. Halleh Seddighzadeh - No discussion warranted
RRRR. Kevin Seid - No discussion warranted
SSSS. Prachi Sharma - No discussion warranted
TTTT. Shewta Sharma - No discussion warranted
UUUU. Leigh Silverton - No discussion warranted
VVVV. DeAnn Smetana - No discussion warranted
WWWW. Michelle Snipes - No discussion warranted
XXXX. Jordan Soper - No discussion warranted
YYYY. Richard Starrett - No discussion warranted
ZZZZ. Ellie Sternquist - No discussion warranted
AAAAA. Nicole Stougton - No discussion warranted
BBBBB. Marilyn Strada - No discussion warranted
CCCCC. Valerie Tolbert - No discussion warranted
DDDDD. Lennon Tyler - No discussion warranted
EEEEE. Lynelle Tyler - No discussion warranted
FFFFF. Joyce Ulofoshio - No discussion warranted
GGGGG. Michellane Vendivel-Mouton - No discussion warranted
HHHHH. Liliet Wagner - No discussion warranted
IIIII. James Wakefield - No discussion warranted
JJJJJ. Allison Werlinger - No discussion warranted
KKKKK. Stephen Willis - Dr. Owens motioned to approve for temporary license and state exam contingent upon file
Completion and approval. Dr. Young second. Board Vote 6-0-0
LLLLL. Tela Wilson - No discussion warranted

BEHAVIOR ANALYST/ASSISTANT BEHAVIOR ANALYST

- a) Thomas Brown - No discussion warranted
- b) Shannon Burress - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for temporary licensure and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- c) Rebecca Click - No discussion warranted
- d) Jillian DeFreitas - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for temporary licensure and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- e) Darla Dion - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for temporary licensure and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- f) Traci Fenton - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for temporary licensure and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0. Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for

licensure contingent upon passing state exam. Dr. Owens second. Board Vote 6-0-0.

- g) **Rachel Field** - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for temporary licensure and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0. Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for licensure contingent upon passing state exam. Dr. Owens second. Board Vote 6-0-0
- h) **Jamie Goodrich** - No discussion warranted
- i) **Lauren Jones** - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for temporary licensure and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- j) **Chantel Rainford** - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for temporary licensure and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0. Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for licensure contingent upon passing state exam. Dr. Owens second. Board Vote 6-0-0
- k) **Sierra Rainwater** Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for licensure contingent upon passing state exam. Dr. Owens second. Board Vote 6-0-0
- l) **Stephanie Rasbach** - No discussion warranted
- m) **Diana Richardson** - No discussion warranted
- n) **Sarah Richling** - No discussion warranted
- o) **Amber Suarez-Santiago** Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for licensure contingent upon passing state exam. Dr. Owens second. Board Vote 6-0-0
- p) **Brandon Umphrey** - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for temporary licensure and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0.
- q) **Krystal VanVoorhis** - Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for temporary licensure and state exam contingent upon file completion and approval. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 6-0-0. Dr. Ghezzi motioned to approve for licensure contingent upon passing state exam. Dr. Owens second. Board Vote 6-0-0
- r) **Desirae Wingarter** - No discussion warranted

13. Correspondence

- A. **Letter from Dr. Marv A. Glovinsky requesting approval to register as inactive due to medical reasons.**
-Dr. Glovinsky already paid his biennial but because of medical reasons he would like his \$400.00 back. Dr. Young motioned to refund his \$400.00 back. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 5-0-0.
- B. **Letter from Cedarville University regarding determination of 'good moral character' and other evaluations of persons made during the application process**
-The Board met to review the request for information at the February Board meeting. In this letter, it was stated that they were going to present some of the answers at a January conference. Dr. Paul states that we need to find out if they still need these questions answered. It was decided that Ms. Bradley will help Ms. Alldredge with response to this request for information. Some of the items we may not be able to respond to because this Board has not experienced some of these questions. Any response from Board members are welcome, please send an email to Ms. Alldredge.
- C. **Letter from January Price requesting assistance is locating supervision to complete internship requirements.**
-After a discussion, it was decided that Dr. Paul would respond to this letter via a phone call to give January a personal touch and to help clarify what she really is looking into. Dr. Paul said she would follow-up with a letter and she would copy Ms. Alldredge and Ms. Bradley.

14. Public Comment.

No public present

15. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Young made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:51pm. Dr. Paglini second. Board Vote 5-0-0.