

MEETING MINUTES FOR
NEVADA STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS

DATE OF MEETING: Friday, August 1, 2014

Time: 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 4505 S. Maryland Pkwy. System Computing Services, Room 102, Las Vegas, NV 89154
and By video conference to University of Nevada, Reno System Computing Services room 47, Reno, Nevada 89557

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

Call to order at 9:36 a.m.

In Las Vegas:

Gary Lenkeit, Ph.D., President

John Paglini, Psy.D., Member

Others Present:

Stephanie Holland, Psy.D.

Brian Lech, Ph.D.

In Reno:

Sheila Young, Ph.D., Secretary/Treasurer

Patrick Ghezzi, Ph.D., BCBA-D, Member

Pam Becker, Member

Others Present:

Morgan Alldredge, Executive Director

Caitlin McHugh, Executive Assistant

Sarah Bradley, DAG

Hal Taylor

John Charles LaMay, MFT

Scott Bauer

Bud James

Kella Kutter

2. Public Comment

Mr. Hal Taylor, present on behalf of the Hypnotherapist Union Local Force 72 informed the Board that the Union is still attempting to discover what precipitating events caused for the cease and desist letters to be sent out. The Union's concern is that the Board's reading of the statute not be so narrow, and does not exclude those who have met the proper training to practice hypnosis. Mr. Taylor informed the Board that currently the members of the public who are present are at the meeting to listen to the Board's concerns, and do hope that the Board would be open to work with outside entities to come to an agreement.

3. Approval of minutes of previous meetings.

Ms. Becker moved to approve the June 20, 2014 meeting minutes. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote 5-0-0

4. Treasurer's report.

Dr. Young and Ms. Alldredge updated the Board on the current expenses. The Board is currently running on budget between \$10,000-\$12,000, with \$124,695.98 currently in the Bank Account. They presented the Profit and Loss for the 2013-2014 fiscal year as it was a non-renewal year the Board's income was far less than the expenses, which is expected for non-renewal years. Dr. Young and Ms. Alldredge suggested returning the \$50,000 taken out in 2010 and placing back into a CD to earn interest. As renewal will begin in October the Board will be fine with the money remaining in the account. Dr. Young moved to approve the Treasurer's report and place \$50,000 in a CD and lock it up for 5 years. Dr. Paglini second. Board vote 5-0-0

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

A. Complaint #13-1223

Ms. Bradley refreshed the Board on the details of the case, as Dr. Parry is no longer on the Board. Ms. Bradley requested that the Board look at the provided release form to determine if the form is appropriate. Dr. Paglini, after reviewing the provided form, felt that the form covers the work that the psychologist provided. Dr. Lenkeit agrees that the consent form was adequate for the work provided. Dr. Young moved to dismiss. Dr. Paglini second. Dr. Lenkeit recuse. Board vote 4-0-1

B. Complaint #13-1224

Dr. Young deferred conversation regarding progress of the complaint to Ms. Bradley and Mr. Taylor, the attorney for the psychologist. Mr. Taylor requested additional time for review due to new materials submitted from the psychologist. Deferred to the next Board meeting.

C. Complaint #14-0428

Deferred to the next Board meeting.

- D. **Complaint #14-0611**
Not yet assigned.
- E. **Complaint #14-0623**
Not yet assigned.

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

Ms. Bradley informed the Board that Mr. Hopper has hired a new attorney, Mr. Hunt. The final hearing will be moved to October, but there is no scheduled date yet for Mr. Hunt to have time to prepare. Ms. Bradley will submit a motion for order to show cause demonstrating that Mr. Hopper has not discontinued practicing psychology.

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

The next Board meeting will be held September 12, 2014, November 7, 2014 and January 23, 2014 at 9:30 am, a meeting may be held December 12, 2014 by telephone as needed. The next State Exam will be October 17, 2014. Workshops for the Regulation changes will be scheduled at a later date.

8. Board needs, operations, and schedules.

A. Update in submitted regulation changes

Ms. Alldredge informed the Board that the Bill Draft Requests have been submitted to LCB. Dr. Lenkeit suggested waiting for an official response from LCB before scheduling a workshop. Ms. Alldredge informed the Board that Ms. Laxalt, the lobbyist, will work with the Board for future legislative struggles.

B. Assign Attendees to ASPPB 54th Annual Meeting

The next Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards will be October 22-26, 2014, in Palm Springs, California. Dr. Young is nominated as a member at large for the ASPPB Board of Directors. Dr. Young, Ms. Alldredge and Dr. Lenkeit have requested to be in attendance. Dr. Paul and Ms. Bradley have expressed interest in attending. Dr. Paglini might attend. A decision regarding final attendance will be made prior to the September 12, 2014 meeting.

C. Assign Reviewers for CEU Logs

Dr. Young and whomever is elected CE chair, will review all submitted CEU logs.

D. Assign Reviewer for CEU Request for Extension.

Dr. Ghezzi volunteered to be the reviewer of CE extension request for the upcoming renewal. Ms. Becker moved to grant Dr. Ghezzi the approval rights for CEU extensions. Dr. Young second. Board vote 5-0-0

9. Review Renewal Questions.

A. Back of Board Renewal Forms.

Ms. Alldredge updated the Board on the provided renewal forms to be sent out to licensees and certificate holders no later than October 1, 2014. Ms. Alldredge asked if there are any suggested changes to the renewal forms and required questions. Dr. Ghezzi suggested adding some questions specific for Behavior Analyst levels renewal that directly relate to Nevada. Dr. Ghezzi will bring some questions to the next Board meeting.

B. Requested questionnaire from Secretary of State.

Ms. Alldredge updated the Board on the required questions presented from the Secretary of State. The questions will be used to see what licensees have Business Licenses in the State of Nevada. These questions will be included in the renewal packet with the Governor's provided questions.

C. Requested questionnaire from Governor.

The suggested questions were reviewed and deemed appropriate. The questions will be placed in the Renewal Packet. These questions will be used to assess how many Licensees are veterans of the Armed Forces.

10. Discuss Board ability to accept credit payments for renewal.

Ms. Alldredge introduced the proposed options for credit card payment plans. Dr. Lenkeit informed the Board that of these options the inferred fee is too expensive for the Board. Ms. Bradley suggested talking to the Cosmetology Board's Executive Director about their payment methods. Dr. Lenkeit and Ms. Alldredge will look into various options and bring the options back to the Board on a later date.

11. Review and Discuss Report for Nevada Veterans

Ms. Alldredge introduced the report that was mentioned by Mr. Cage at the June 20, 2014 Board meeting. Mr. Cage did look at the Board's language and found that it was sufficient for the veteran reciprocity suggestions.

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

PSYCHOLOGISTS/PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSISTANTS

- A. Ines Acevedo Lugo- No discussion warranted.
- B. Sarah Adams- No discussion warranted.
- C. Elham Aminigochar- No discussion warranted.
- D. Sheri Bardos- No discussion warranted.
- E. John Barona- No discussion warranted.
- F. Stephanie Bellusa- No discussion warranted.
- G. Jordan Bonow- Dr. Ghezzi moved to approve for State Exam contingent on file completion and approval. Dr. Young second. Board vote 5-0-0
- H. Michael Borders- No discussion warranted.
- I. Jeannie Chang- No discussion warranted.
- J. Sylvia Chang- No discussion warranted.
- K. Alan Christenson- No discussion warranted.
- L. Maria Cid- No discussion warranted.
- M. Rachel Davis- No discussion warranted.
- N. Joe Dixon- No discussion warranted.
- O. John Dolores- No discussion warranted.
- P. Amilie Dubois- No discussion warranted.
- Q. Joshua Dwire- No discussion warranted.
- R. Brent Fladmo- No discussion warranted.
- S. Andrew Freeman- No discussion warranted.
- T. Megan Freeman- No discussion warranted.
- U. Douglas Garner- No discussion warranted.
- V. Jenya Gaskin- No discussion warranted.
- W. Kristine Gerwell- No discussion warranted.
- X. Shantrize Gibson- No discussion warranted.
- Y. Yvonne Hart- No discussion warranted.
- Z. Sandra Hawa- No discussion warranted.
- AA. Marisa Hendron- No discussion warranted.
- BB. Leanne Hemenway- No discussion warranted.
- CC. Suzannia Holden- No discussion warranted.
- DD. Roy Hookham- No discussion warranted.
- EE. Sethlin Hookstra- No discussion warranted.
- FF. Karen Kampfer- No discussion warranted.
- GG. Janet Kraft- No discussion warranted.
- HH. Mary Lamb- No discussion warranted.
- II. Joseph Lee- Dr. Ghezzi moved to close file. Ms. Becker second. Board vote 5-0-0
- JJ. Terri- Lynn MacKay- No discussion warranted.
- KK. Sarah Malagold- Ms. Alldredge introduced the provided educational materials to the Board. Dr. Young stated that she felt the provided materials were more than thorough, and met the required standards for licensure. Approval for state exam and temporary licensure is contingent on review and approval of her completed application. Dr. Young moved to accept the provided educational material for Dr. Malagold's application. Dr. Paglini second. Board vote 5-0-0
- LL. Elizabeth Marinelli- No discussion warranted.
- MM. Eva Miller- No discussion warranted.
- NN. Farnaz Mizrahi- Dr. Ghezzi moved to approve for State Exam contingent on file completion and approval. Dr. Young second. Board vote 5-0-0
- OO. Alexandra Montesi- No discussion warranted.
- PP. Danielle Moreggi- No discussion warranted.
- QQ. Brian Norensberg- No discussion warranted.
- RR. Nusha Nouhi- No discussion warranted.
- SS. Julie Ann Novak- No discussion warranted.
- TT. Kelly O' Neill- No discussion warranted.
- UU. Chauncey Parker- No discussion warranted.
- VV. Christopher Perez- No discussion warranted.
- WW. David Pingitore- No discussion warranted.
- XX. Katherine Puceta- No discussion warranted.
- YY. Tara Raines- No discussion warranted.
- ZZ. Rhiannon Rager- No discussion warranted.
- AAA. Howard Reid- No discussion warranted.
- BBB. Danielle Richards- No discussion warranted.
- CCC. Megan Rogers- No discussion warranted.

DDD.Christine Roufail- No discussion warranted.
EEE.Shewta Sharma- No discussion warranted.
FFF.Mark Short- No discussion warranted.
GGG.DeAnn Smetana- No discussion warranted.
HHH.Lonnie Stapp- No discussion warranted.
III.Laurel Stinar- No discussion warranted.
JJJ.Kelly Thomas- No discussion warranted.
KKK.Myra Thompson- No discussion warranted.
LLL. Pamela Truncate- No discussion warranted.
MMM. Anthony Urquiza- No discussion warranted.
NNN. Colette Valette- No discussion warranted.
OOO. Michellane VenDivel-Mouton- No discussion warranted.
PPP. Lili Wagner- Dr. Ghezzi moved to approve for State Exam and Temporary licensure contingent on file completion and approval. Dr. Young second. Board vote 5-0-0
QQQ. Johnny Wen- No discussion warranted.
RRR. Ronald Williams- No discussion warranted.
SSS. Scott Wolfe- No discussion warranted.
TTT. Nancy Woods- No discussion warranted.
UUU. Nathaniel Woods- No discussion warranted.
VVV. Georgia Yu- No discussion warranted.
WWW. Eric Shuai Zhou- No discussion warranted.

BEHAVIOR ANALYST/ASSISTANT BEHAVIOR ANALYST/CABI

- a) David Acevedo- No discussion warranted.
- b) Rocio Alvarado- No discussion warranted.
- c) Melissa Alvarez- No discussion warranted.
- d) Winta Araya- No discussion warranted.
- e) Gabriella Ariganello
- f) Vince Asuncion- Dr. Young moved to approve for Temporary Licensure and State Exam contingent on file completion, approval and payment of Application fee. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote 5-0-0
- g) Lisette Avila- No discussion warranted.
- h) Monica Avila- Dr. Young moved to approve for Temporary Licensure and State Exam contingent on file completion, approval and payment of Application fee. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote 5-0-0
- i) Jan Barnett- No discussion warranted.
- j) Ted Barrett- No discussion warranted.
- k) Kara Batson- No discussion warranted.
- l) Kaycee Benett- No discussion warranted.
- m) Brittney Brazell- No discussion warranted.
- n) Ryan Browning- No discussion warranted.
- o) Shatoiya Burns- No discussion warranted.
- p) Katherine Burress-Schneider- No discussion warranted.
- q) Amanda Clark- No discussion warranted.
- r) Angela J. Coats- Dr. Young moved to approve for Temporary Certification and State Exam contingent on file completion and approval. Ms. Becker second. Board vote 5-0-0
- s) Sierra L. Cook- Dr. Young moved to approve for Temporary Certification and State Exam contingent on file completion and approval. Ms. Becker second. Board vote 5-0-0
- t) Eri Cronin- No discussion warranted.
- u) Courtney Curtin- No discussion warranted.
- v) Nichole Davis- No discussion warranted.
- w) Dominique Devilbiss- No discussion warranted.
- x) Michelle Ditsworth- No discussion warranted.
- y) Kapetrez Easley- No discussion warranted.
- z) Louise Frankel- No discussion warranted.
- aa) Kylee French- No discussion warranted.
- bb) Christopher Galloway- No discussion warranted.
- cc) Jenn Gheno- No discussion warranted.
- dd) Nicole Glynn- No discussion warranted.
- ee) Maricela Gutierrez Roderiguez- No discussion warranted.
- ff) Jennifer Hermance- No discussion warranted.
- gg) Jessica Hoefler- No discussion warranted.
- hh) Alisha Holder- No discussion warranted.
- ii) Gerilyn Holm- No discussion warranted.
- jj) Jania Izquierdo- No discussion warranted.
- kk) Araceli Jimenez- Ruiz- No discussion warranted.

- ll) Janet Jimenez- Ruiz- No discussion warranted.
- mm) Shantelena Jund- No discussion warranted.
- nn) Samantha Lemons- No discussion warranted.
- oo) Carol Logan- No discussion warranted.
- pp) Brook Madden- No discussion warranted.
- qq) Charles Marriott- No discussion warranted.
- rr) Cassandra McKenzie- No discussion warranted.
- ss) Staheli Meyer- No discussion warranted.
- tt) Danielle Moos- No discussion warranted.
- uu) Vicki Moreno- No discussion warranted.
- vv) Michelle Nadalsky- No discussion warranted.
- ww) Romina Nencheva- No discussion warranted.
- xx) Rebecca Neuffer- No discussion warranted.
- yy) Sarah Newsham- No discussion warranted.
- zz) Alexander Noble- No discussion warranted.
- aaa) Ashley Padovese- No discussion warranted.
- bbb) Brendan Patin- No discussion warranted.
- ccc) Michelle Pellegrino- Dr. Ghezzi moved to approve for Temporary License and State Exam contingent on file completion and approval. Dr. Young second. Board vote 5-0-0
- ddd) Kaitlin Peterson- No discussion warranted.
- eee) Lourdes Rangel-Cervantes- Dr. Young moved to approve for Temporary Certification and State Exam contingent on file completion and approval. Ms. Becker second. Board vote 5-0-0
- fff) Shea Redd- No discussion warranted.
- ggg) Lauren Roscoe- Dr. Young moved to approve for Temporary Certification and State Exam contingent on file completion and approval. Ms. Becker second. Board vote 5-0-0
- hhh) Dustin Sanders- No discussion warranted.
- iii) Elizabeth Sexton- No discussion warranted.
- jjj) Kimberly Sigler-Kamen- No discussion warranted.
- kkk) Emily Spurlock- No discussion warranted.
- lll) Jessi Vega- Dr. Young moved to approve for Temporary Certification and State Exam contingent on file completion and approval. Ms. Becker second. Board vote 5-0-0
- mmm) Natalie Walker- No discussion warranted.
- nnn) Ian Wilson- Dr. Ghezzi moved to approve for Temporary License and State Exam contingent on file completion and approval. Dr. Young second. Board vote 5-0-0
- ooo) Tsion-Hanna Wolde- No discussion warranted.
- ppp) Vincent Womack- No discussion warranted.
- qqq) Sophia Wood- No discussion warranted.

13. Discussion regarding changes to Dr. Barbie Taylor's settlement Agreement.

Ms. Bradley informed the Board that Dr. Taylor has requested the Board waive the requirement for an psychological evaluation as she plans on retiring at the end of the year. Ms. Bradley suggested revising the previous settlement agreement stating that alternative to the examination, Dr. Taylor is to no longer practice psychology in the State of Nevada, and will not renew her license. Dr. Young suggested having Dr. Taylor surrender her license now. Dr. Lenkeit suggested stating that she cannot renew unless and/or until she has the evaluation done. The Board is willing to amend the order to state that Dr. Taylor has until December 31, 2014 to have her evaluation completed or she must voluntarily surrender her license. Dr. Paglini moved to accept the proposed amendment to Dr. Taylor's settlement agreement. Dr. Lenkeit recuse. Board vote 4-0-1

14. Review and Discuss response to Hypnosis and Biofeedback Cease and Desist letters.

Dr. Lenkeit requested all persons be contacted and informed that an Attorney General's opinion has been requested regarding the limitation of practice of hypnosis/biofeedback to that of a Licensed Psychologist. Official opinion will be forwarded to all interested parties.

- A. Mary Colleen O'Callaghan-Miele
- B. Patrick R. Scott
- C. Cynthia Kozmary
- D. Kimberley Morris-Windisch

- E. Michael A. Rosenaur, Esq on Behalf of Dr. Windisch
- F. National Federation of Hypnotists
- G. Nevada State Board of Osteopathic Medicine

15. Request Attorney General opinion on limitation of practice regarding both Hypnosis and Biofeedback.

Ms. Bradley provided some history regarding the decision to send the Cease and Desist letters. The Board is currently in the middle of an ongoing court case involving an individual who practices biofeedback without being a licensed psychologist. The case against this individual brought up raising concerns of other's possible harmful practice of hypnosis and biofeedback in Nevada without regulation. Many individuals expressed concerns with NRS 641.025 and NRS 641.029 stating that they could no longer practice hypnosis and biofeedback unless licensed as a psychologist. Though these concerns were brought to the attention of the legislature, the legislature still passed NRS 641.025 defining the practice of psychology, and NRS 641.029, which they interpreted as stating that this law does not pertain to those individuals licensed by another entity, unless that individual is practicing psychology.

Ms. Alldredge informed the Board that the individuals who received the Cease and Desist letters were discovered through web-based searches and the yellow pages. Mr. John LaMay, a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, informed the Board that he has been performing interpersonal biofeedback for over seventeen years. Mr. LaMay also does not want individuals who are not properly trained to practice in these fields. Mr. LaMay would like to lend his feedback to the Board in the further discussion of hypnosis and biofeedback. The Board asked that Mr. LaMay submit any further opinion in writing to the Board office. Dr. Young moved to request an opinion from the Attorney General's Office on the practice of hypnosis and biofeedback, and the limitation to the practice of Psychology. Dr. Paglini second. Board vote 5-0-0

The Board opened discussion for any remaining public wishing to speak to the Board on this topic. Mr. Bud James, the Co-Owner of New Vistas International, a Certified and Operational Training School for Hypnotherapy, informed the Board of the training procedures present at New Vistas International. Mr. James asked what the required training for psychologists to practice hypnotherapy. Dr. Lenkeit informed Mr. James that Psychologists are required to only practice within their area of expertise, and cannot practice a method that they have not been trained in. Mr. James asked if there is any intention for the Board to define what that training might be.

16. Psychologist State Exam update

Dr. Holland updated the Board on the June 2014 Psychology Exam. There were 24 examinees, and 17 passed. Pass rate was 70.8%, which is on average. Dr. Holland spoke with two of the examinees, one who did not pass and one who did pass. The examinees wished to discuss the study guidelines. Dr. Holland informed the Board that she and Ms. Alldredge will attempt to provide a more well-rounded study guide, which will be available for review by any Board member who wishes to see it.

17. Correspondence

No correspondence to discuss at this time.

18. Public Comment.

No public comment.

Dr. Ghezzi moved to adjourn. Ms. Becker second. Meeting was adjourned at 11:36 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Sheila Young, Ph.D.
Secretary/Treasurer