

NORTH CAROLINA PSYCHOLOGY BOARD
Open Session Minutes
November 14-15, 2013
Greensboro, NC

The North Carolina Psychology Board met in a regularly scheduled meeting on November 14-15, 2013, at the Airport Comfort Suites in Greensboro, NC.

Members present: Kristine Herfkens, Ph.D., ABPP, Chair; Robert Hill, Ph.D., ABPP, Vice Chair; Lynn Lambert, RN, BSN, M.Ed.; Jeffrey Lorence, M.A.; Jane Perrin, Ph.D., and Anthony Powell, M.A.

Others present: Daniel P. Collins, Executive Director; Susan Batts, M.A., Staff Psychologist; and Sondra Panico, Assistant Attorney General.

Dr. Herfkens reminded Board members that, in accordance with the State Government Ethics Act, it is the duty of every Board member to avoid both conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict. Board members were directed to identify any known conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to any matters coming before the Board at the meeting and to refrain from any undue participation in the particular matter involved. Board members were asked to identify any known conflict of interest or appearance of conflict of interest with respect to any matters coming before the Board at the meeting, and instructed that, if one arose during the course of this meeting, to articulate it to the Board.

General

1. Open session minutes of July 31, 2013 meeting were approved as amended.
2. The attached Consent Agenda was accepted.
3. The financial report for the period of time ending September 30, 2013 was reviewed.
4. The following legislative issue was discussed:
 - a. Senate Bill 643 (Fee Bill) was introduced by State Senator Tamara Barringer (R-Wake) on April 3, 2013 and has been referred to the Senate Rules and Operations Committee.
House Bill 74 – The approved bill requires every state agency to review all of their rules and prepare an analysis of which rules are necessary and unnecessary.
5. Mr. Collins provided an oral report to the Board on the recent ASPPB Annual Meeting.
6. The Board discussed topics to be addressed in future psychNEWS articles.

Legal/Ethical

7. Case #111308 Connie Numbers, LCSW (unlicensed) – The Board was informed that Ms. Numbers may have been misrepresenting herself as a licensed psychologist in violation of the Practice Act. Based upon a review of the case report, a response letter from Dr. Numbers and her website, the Board determined that Ms. Numbers was operating in compliance with the Practice Act.
8. Case #071304 Katherine Leslie, Ph.D (unlicensed) – Following a review of Dr. Leslie’s website and a response letter from her, the Board determined that Dr. Leslie was operating in compliance with the Practice Act. However, the Board requested staff to advise Dr. Leslie to ensure that she remain in compliance with the Practice Act during telephone consultations.
9. The Board reviewed requests from John Warren, Ph.D. and Donald Goldstein, Ph.D., asking the Board to consider allowing supervision of LPAs through online, live video technology. The Board also reviewed a draft advisory statement on face to face supervision via online, live video technology prepared by staff. Following a discussion, the Board instructed staff to revise the draft advisory statement for the Board to consider at its January 2014 meeting.
10. The Board reviewed a request from Richard Rumer, Ph.D. for guidance on using the DSM-5 and complying with the requirement to use the ICD-10-CM when DSM-5 was targeted to coincide with the ICD-11. The Board instructed staff to contact Dr. Rumer regarding information contained in the DSM-5 Manual concerning the issue.
11. The Board discussed an inquiry submitted by John Baley as to whether his work arrangement with Western Carolina University and Dr. William Chovan would be considered a single site under 21 NCAC 54 1802(a)(8)(F). Following a discussion, the Board determined that Mr. Baley’s training experience at the nursing facilities under the supervision of Dr. Chovan would be considered a single site for purposes of complying with 21 NCAC 54 1802(a)(8)(F).
12. In response to the recently enacted new rules review statute, the Board began the process of reviewing its rules.
13. Dr. Herfkens and Mr. Collins informed the Board of a recent discussion with representatives of NCPA’s Colleague Assistance Committee.
14. Board Projects – The Board reviewed and discussed the following list of ongoing/future projects as indicated below:
 - a. change to administering the state examination in a manner that will serve to educate, rather than obtain a pass or fail score
 - b. electronic scanning of all records
 - c. explore developing an advisory statement regarding life coaching vis á vis the practice of psychology
 - d. consider amending rules which address the filing of a Section 2 supervision contract when an individual's work is totally outside of the mental health field
 - e. further define the term “residence” in board rules
 - f. explore adding an “inactive” status to the statute
 - g. possibly revise Board rules which address the displaying of one’s licensure and HSP certificates to cover situations in which services are being providing electronically
 - h. instituting criminal background checks.

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Upon a motion made and adopted by the Board to hold a closed session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.18(6), the Board went into closed session to discuss individual applicants or individual licensees, following which, it reported the following:

15. Henry McGovern, M.A. The Board reviewed Mr. McGovern's request that the Board include: (i) his "response" to the Final Decision issued in June 1998 and (ii) a letter from Robert Kerry Jacobson, Ph.D., whenever someone requests a copy of the Final Decision. If the Board determined not to include those two documents, Mr. Govern also requested that the Board remove "contact Board office" from the Board Action portion of his online license verification. Following a review of the documents provided by Mr. McGovern, the Board denied both of Mr. McGovern's requests.

16. Deborah Tyler, Ph.D. The Board reviewed and denied Dr. Tyler's request to amend the supervision requirements contained in her January 2013 Consent Order.

17. Madelyn E. Tyson, Ph.D. The Board reviewed and denied a request by the complainants in a previously closed case involving Dr. Tyson that the Board explain its determination in closing the case.

18. Mawiyeh Kambon, Ph.D. The Board reviewed and accepted a tutorial report submitted by William Burlingame, Ph.D.

19. Julie L. Pike, Ph.D. The Board reviewed and accepted a tutorial report submitted by Thomas Thompson, Ph.D.

20. James Snyder, Ph.D. Following the review of a letter from Dr. William V. Burlingame, Ph.D., regarding Dr. Snyder not receiving a supervision/monitoring session in July 2013, the Board accepted the explanation for the missed session and the remedy to make it up.

Supervision

21. Neiler, Don, M.A. The Board approved Level 3 reduced supervision for Mr. Neiler.

Legal/Ethical

22. Samantha Baker, Ph.D. CONSENT ORDER was signed and approved on November 14, 2013. Dr. Baker admits that the described conduct constitutes violations of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-270.15(a)(7) of the North Carolina Psychology Practice Act, and 21 N.C.A.C. 54 .2104 (f) and (i) of the North Carolina Psychology Board rules. Dr. Baker must successfully complete tutorials, submit documentation establishing that she has completed all of the required continuing education hours with her application for renewal for the next two biennial renewal cycles, and remit \$300.00 in costs.

23. Beverly Malone, Ph.D. CONSENT ORDER was signed and approved on November 14, 2013. Dr. Baker admits that the described conduct constitutes violations of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-270.15(a)(7) of the North Carolina Psychology Practice Act, and 21 N.C.A.C. 54 .2104 (f) and (i) of the North Carolina Psychology Board rules. Dr. Malone must successfully complete

tutorials, submit documentation establishing that she has completed all of the required continuing education hours with her application for renewal for the next two biennial renewal cycles, and remit \$300.00 in costs.

24. Richard Tamura, M.A. CONSENT ORDER was signed and approved on November 14, 2013. Dr. Baker admits that the described conduct constitutes violations of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-270.15(a)(7) of the North Carolina Psychology Practice Act, and 21 N.C.A.C. 54 .2104 (f) and (i) of the North Carolina Psychology Board rules. Mr. Tamura must successfully complete tutorials, submit documentation establishing that he has completed all of the required continuing education hours with his application for renewal for the next two biennial renewal cycles, and remit \$300.00 in costs.

File Review

Confirm Denial

Bryan, Alicia J., M.A. – PA
Crawford, Endora, Ph.D. – LP
Versola-Russo, Judy M., Psy.D. – LP

Propose Denial

Van Sickle, Hillary, M.A. - PA

Admit to Both Exams

Crozier, Joseph C., Ph.D. – PP
Irwin-Smiler, Andrew P., M.A. – PA
Johnstone, Jason D., M.A. – PA
Mullis, Jeremy R., M.A. – PA
Ramirez, Jordan, M.A. – PA

Other

Bartleson, Janice A., Ph.D. – LP (The Board instructed staff to contact Dr. Bartleson about withdrawing her application.)
Douleh, Tanya N., Ph.D. – LP (The Board instructed staff to request Dr. Douleh to submit a criminal background check.)
Gurganus, Amanda C., Psy.D – LP (The Board instructed staff to obtain additional information from a former supervisor.)
Hewett, Michael C. Ph.D. – LP (The Board upheld its decision to propose denial and instructed staff to schedule Dr. Hewett’s hearing for the Board’s January 2014 meeting.)
Simons, Cecil J., Ph.D. – LP. (The Board approved Dr. Simon’s request to withdraw his application for licensure.)



Daniel P. Collins
Executive Director

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CONSENT AGENDA
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Supervision

1. The following reduced supervision files have been reviewed and approved since the last meeting at the indicated level:

- a. Bolen, Kimberly, M.A.-3
- b. Britt, Samantha, M.A.-3
- c. Carter, Kimberly, M.A.-2
- d. Flatley, Margaret, M.A.-3
- e. Goldman, Marc, M.S.-3
- f. Haggard, Sarah, M.A.-2
- g. Holley, Jennyfer, M.A.-2
- h. Johnson, Katrina, M.A.-2
- i. Joyce, Nancy, M.Ed.-3
- j. Lanier, Tina, M.A.-3
- k. Lopez, Alexander, M.S.-3
- l. Kevin O'Brien, M.A.-3
- m. Matthews, Amanda, M.A.-2
- n. Patel, Rakhee, M.A.-2
- o. Rockwell, Lauren, M.A.-3
- p. Stull, Anne, M.A.-2
- q. Warren, Elizabeth, M.A.-2

File Review

Admit to Both Exams

Barone, Kiera – PA
Belvet, Benita – PP
Bracken-Minor, Katherine – PP
Cooper, Kimberlee – PA
Copeland, Lindsey – PP
Emsley, Scott – PP
Emsley, Tabitha – PP
Erickson, Heidi - PP
Furst, Nancy – PP
Garst, Meladee – PP
Griggs, Marissa – PP
Hibberd, Rachel – PP
Hill, LaBarron – PP
Heyn, Molly – PP
Jameson, John Paul – PP
Luffman, Whitney – PA
Mahoney, Joseph – PP

Marsh, Carissa – PP
Mautz, Charles – PA
Miller, Melissa – PP
Proffit, Virginia - PP
Ryan, Sarah - PP
Schoenfeldt, Katherine – PP
Shura, Robert – PP
Solanki, Nina – PP
Sweitzer, Maggie – PP
Yonkers, Kristin – PA
Zerubavel, Noga – PP

Admit to State Exam

Alexander, Darcy – PP
Altabet, Steven – LP (MOB)
Coder, Chad – LP
Hurd, Stephen – LP (MOB)
Lee, Robert – LP (Senior)
Paret, Alexander – LP
Pena Castro, Rosamari – LP (MOB)
Ritschel, Lori – Reinstate LP (prov)
Seidman, Traci – LP (MOB)