

**NORTH CAROLINA PSYCHOLOGY BOARD**  
**Open Session Minutes**  
**November 6-7, 2014**  
**Greensboro, NC**

The North Carolina Psychology Board met in a regularly scheduled meeting on November 6-7, 2014, at the Airport Comfort Suites in Greensboro, NC.

Members present for all or part of the meeting: Kristine Herfkens, Ph.D., ABPP, Chair; Robert Hill, Ph.D., ABPP, Vice Chair; Lynn Lambert, RN, BSN, M.Ed.; Stacie MacDonald, M.A.; Jane Perrin, Ph.D., Anthony Powell, M.A. and Matthew Van Horn, J.D.

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. Representatives of the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB) presented information on ASPPB's Psychology Licensure Universal System.
2. Open session minutes of August 7, 2014 meeting were approved.
3. Attached Information Items/Staff Actions were accepted.
4. Staff provided an update on the license renewal process.
5. The financial report for the period of time ending September 30, 2014 was reviewed.
6. Staff provided a report on meetings with the General Assembly's Program Evaluation Division and the Professional Association Council.
7. Staff provided a report on ASPPB's Annual Meeting of Delegates.
8. Following the review and discussion of ASPPB's Proposed Telepsychology Compact, the Board instructed staff to forward the Board's comments on the Compact to ASPPB.
9. Staff provided an update on current and planned IT projects.
10. Discussed possible articles for future editions of the newsletter.

## **Legal/Ethical**

11. David F. Schultz, Ph.D. – A hearing was held in open session on November 6, 2014. Following discussion in closed session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.18(6), the Board announced in open session that it determined to deny Dr. Schultz’s application for licensure at the Licensed Psychologist level.

12. Douglas L. Welsh, M.A. – A hearing was held in open session on November 6, 2014. Following discussion in closed session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.18(6), the Board announced in open session that it determined to deny Mr. Welsh’s application for licensure at the Licensed Psychological Associate level.

13. Karen L. Wilhelm, Ph.D., ABN – Following the review and discussion of additional information submitted by the American Board of Professional Neuropsychology (ABN) in response to the Board’s previous determination to deny Dr. Wilhelm’s request that the Board allow psychologists who hold the ABN credential to apply for licensure under Mobility, the Board agreed to the request and instructed staff to revise the proposed Mobility rule to include the ABN credential.

14. Case #111404 Karen Jordan (Weiss) (unlicensed) – The Board was informed that Ms. Jordan may have been engaging in the practice of psychology without a license in violation of the Practice Act. Following its review of the case report and an affidavit submitted by Ms. Jordan, the Board determined that it appeared that Ms. Jordan was operating in compliance with the Practice Act.

## **Other**

15. 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 provided 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:

16. Ziff, David, Ph.D. – The Board announced in open session that it had instructed staff to prepare a statement of charges and notice of hearing.
17. James Buldas, Ed.D. – The Board announced in open session that Dr. Buldas' license was summarily suspended.
18. Miller, Nancy L., Psy.D. – The Board denied Dr. Miller's request that the face to face supervision required under her Consent Order be conducted through electronic means as the Board believed Dr. Miller would be better served by receiving in-person face to face supervision.
19. Felix, Tashna, Psy.D., LP app. – The Board denied Dr. Felix's request for a waiver of rule .1701(c), which requires that all of the required application materials be received within three months from when Dr. Felix made application with the Board.
20. Tabashneck, Stephanie, Psy.D. – The Board denied Dr. Tabashneck's request to either waive or prorate her license renewal fee for the 2014 – 2016 cycle, as payment of the renewal fee and the amount of the renewal fee are set by statute, and 90-270.18(b)(4) specifically prohibits the Board from prorating the amount of the renewal fee.
21. Trayford, David K., M.S. – The Board was informed that Mr. Trayford had filed an appeal of the Board's August 7, 2014 Final Decision revoking Mr. Trayford's license.
22. Licensees Who Obtained CE after the October 1, 2014 Deadline – Consistent with previous renewal cycles, the Board determined to allow licensees to renew their licenses even though they obtained their required CE after the October 1<sup>st</sup> deadline, but also to require them to submit documentation of completing their CE hours within the required time period in order to renew their licenses for the next renewal cycle.

## **File Review**

### Confirmed Denial

Shiver, Sheba L., Ph.D. – LP

### Proposed Denial

Nelson, Melissa W. M.S. – PA

### Admit to Both Exams

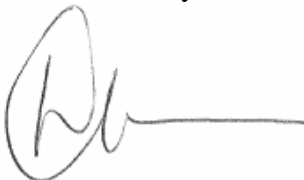
Ivancic, Alison, M.S. – PA

### Admit to State Exam

Galarza-Hernandez, Ph.D. – LP

Lloyd, Kristinia, Psy.D. – LP

Voll, Keelah, Psy.D. – LP



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Daniel P. Collins  
Executive Director

**Information Items/Staff Actions  
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**Supervision**

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

- a. Benasutti, Raymond, M.A.-3
- b. Carley, Sarah, M.A.-3
- c. Clary, Jamie, M.A.-3
- d. Hayhurst-Chacon, Nina-, M.A.-3
- e. Herndon-Williams, Lucinda, M.A.-3
- f. Lothes, John, M.A.-3
- g. Phan, Angela, M.A.-3
- h. Romich, Gary, M.A.-2
- i. Thrasher, Laura, M.A.-3

24. The following alternate supervision applications have been reviewed and approved since the last meeting as follows:

- a. Bauguess, Monica, M.A.
- b. Daniel, Rebecca, M.A.
- c. Gillian, Tricia, S.S.P
- d. Haigwood, John, M.A.
- e. VanBuren, Patricia, M.A.

**File Review**

25. The following files have been processed since the last meeting:

Admit to Both Exams

Austen, Julie – PP  
Avery, Jessica – PP  
Bartel, Chelsea – PP  
Bell Hughes, Kristen – PP  
Burch, Heather – PA  
Ertola, Astrid – LP  
Jadidian, Alex – PP  
Knowles, Megan – PP  
Langston, Stephanie – PP  
Livan, Shentelle – PA  
Mook, Abigail – PA  
Morales, Melanie – LP  
Nienhuis, Jacob – PP

Rissling, Michelle – LP  
Rose, Ashley – PP  
Seavey, Amanda – PP

Admit to Both Exams (cont.)

Tomasula, Jessica – PP  
Torrey, Carrie – PP  
Vick, Sean – PA

Admit to State Exam

Aiello, Rachel – LP r  
Dunkley, Kristy – PA  
Edwards-Gauga, Anna – LP  
Gremore, Tina – LP  
Harney, Megan – PP (until update received)  
Luescher, Jennifer – LP (MOB)  
Mistler, Amy – LP  
Mollnow, Elizabeth – LP (MOB)  
Patidar, Seema – PP (until update received)  
Saulino, Caroline – LP (MOB)  
Stack, Michelle – LP  
Street, Brandyn – LP (MOB)

Admit to EPPP

Chapman, Ana – PP