

BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGISTS



PUBLIC
MINUTES of April 7, 2017

The April 7, 2017 meeting of the Board of Psychologists convened at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present:

Steven C. Atkins Psy. D. Chair
Anna L. Elbroch, Esq.
Roger L. Peterson, Ph.D.
Catherine E. Shanalaris, Esq.
James Halla Psy.D.
Vincent N. Scalese, Ed.D
Susan G. Vonderheide, Ph.D.

Absent: Polly Hall, Esq., Vice Chair

The Board voted to approve the minutes of March 10, 2017 on a motion from James Halla and second by Roger Peterson.

1. Public Guest

The board spoke with Jeannine Pablo and Cathleen Albert about the recent changes to the rule and law that now no longer require a supervision agreement to be on file with the board prior to entering into those hours. The board stated that the change would now be reflected solely in the initial licensure process and by the supervisor completing the supervision clinical experience form they would be attesting to the completion of such hours. As such any hours attested to by the supervisor will be approved upon initial licensure if completed accurately and completely.

QUALIFICATION AND LICENSURE

1. Applications to take the national Examination

No Pending applications at this time.

2. Continuing Education Audits

No Pending applications at this time.

3. Temporary License Requests- 30 Day

No Pending applications at this time.

4. Orders

Erin Miers sent a request to the board for further follow up information concerning her licensure; the board has drafted a letter and was sent on April 10, 2017.

5. Applications for licensure

The Board approved of the following applications for licensure on a motion from Anna Elbroch and second by Vincent Scalese:

- Laura Smalley
- Rebecca Richards

ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Annual Renewals

The board reviewed the process for annual renewals and will be sending out letters informing all renewing licensees of the rule change in November of 2016 and how to move forward with their renewal process during this period. The board will be renewing 494 licensed Psychologists in 2017.

2. Idaho, Notice of Rulemaking, telepsych

The board discussed the subject of Telepsychology in the state of New Hampshire and how it is and is not permitted in the state. If someone is licensed in the State of New Hampshire they are currently allowed interstate Teletherapy however not intrastate. The board recognizes that there is an increased need for such services and will be taking action in the future to add some provisions to the current law; however the process of

intrastate Telepsychology is not permissible under the rules and laws for New Hampshire.

3. Essay Checklist

The board discussed how to effectively communicate to potential licensees when they lack areas of their essay that need to be corrected. The board formatted a basic template that will be sent to any licensee that is missing areas of their essay that include clear directive on what is lacking and needs to be improved for further board review.

QUESTIONS

No pending questions at this time.

-The Board voted to move session into nonpublic at 12:15 p.m. on a motion from Anna Elbroch and second from Vincent Scalese.

ADJOURN: on motion by Steven Atkins with second by Roger Peterson, the motion to adjourn at 1:35 P.M. carried in the affirmative.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jennifer Hackett, Program Assistant II.

Steven Atkins, Psy,D., Chair

at meeting date

04/07/17

Motion to commence non-public session:

Upon the motion of Anna Elbroch with a second by Vincent Scalese, the Board voted to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A: 3, II (c), RSA 91-A: 3, II (e), RSA 91-A: 5, IV, *Lodge v. Knowlton*, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION:

[Minutes kept separately]

Motion to keep minutes of non-public session confidential:

Upon the motion of Anna Elbroch to adjourn with a second by Vincent Scalese, the Board voted to withhold and seal the minutes of the preceding non-public session from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3, III on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely to affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a board member and to render the proposed action ineffective. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.