

Board of Psychologists

Friday July 13, 2018 @ 9:00 AM

Public Meeting Minutes

The July 13, 2018 meeting of the Board of Psychologists convened at 9:00 a.m. at the Office of Professional Licensing and Certification, 121 South Fruit St. Concord NH, with the following members present:

James Halla, Psy.D.
Anna L. Elbroch, Esq.
Robert Walrath, Psy.D.
Catherine Shanelaris, Esq.
Steven Atkins, Psy.D.
Tonya Warren, Psy.D.
Deborah Warner, Psy.D.

Absent: Lauren Greenwald, Esq.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Upon motion by James Halla, Psy.D, with a second by Anna Elbroch, Esq., the Board voted unanimously to approve the public minutes of the June 1, 2018 meeting as amended.

Upon motion by James Halla Psy.D., with a second by Deborah Warner Psy. D., the Board elected Anna Elbroch Esq. as the new chair for the Board of Psychologists. Attorney Elbroch will serve a one year term as the chair with her term expiring in July, 2019.

The Board welcomed the new Board members – Robert Walrath, Tonya Warren, and Lauren Greenwald (absent). The Board also welcomed the new Board Administrator, Theresa McGowan.

1. Email received from ASPPB Leslie Browning

The Board discussed an email that was sent to Board Administrator Michelle Thibeault from the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB) regarding Enhanced Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP). The Board requests that a representative from ASPPB come speak to the Board and present any information so the Board can give feedback. Prior to the presentation, any documents should be sent to the Board for review.

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QUALIFICATION AND LICENSURE

APPROVED APPLICATIONS

The Board reviewed and approved Jessica Y. Rhee's application. The Board noted an error in question six; Ms. Rhee's state that records for minors would be kept for three years after majority however per *Psyc 502.01 (d) (1)*:

Responsibilities of Psychologists, Complete and accurate clinical and business records pertaining to each patient seen shall be maintained for a minimum of 7 years following the last activity on the account and for minors for a period of 7 years past the age of majority.

The Board voted to send a letter to Ms. Rhee along with her license mentioning the error.

Upon motion by Steven Atkins, Psy.D., and second by James Halla, Psy.D., the Board approved applicant Jeannine Pablo for licensure. (Recused – Robert Walrath)

UNAPPROVED

- Upon motion by Steven Atkins, Psy.D., and second by James Halla, Psy.D., the Board unanimously voted to send a letter to applicant Jason B. Merrin. The Board requests that he submit a new application, essays, fee and updated resume. The Board will review the previous application that was submitted in 2011 and will decide if the documents are applicable to the new application.
- Upon motion by Steven Atkins, Psy. D., and second by James Halla, Psy.D., the Board voted to send a letter to applicant Kirsten McGhee to meet with the Board to discuss the critical thinking necessary for future encounters in the professional practice. The Board is also reviewing Ms. McGhee's syllabi to assess compliance with Psyc 302.02 (e), courses required for psychologists.
- Upon motion by Catherine Shanellaris, Esq., and second by James Halla, Psy.D., the Board voted to send a letter to applicant Randall Herman recommending that he withdraw his application and complete his Post-Doctoral hours. The Board agreed that he prematurely submitted his application.

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APPLICATION TO TAKE NATIONAL EXAM

- Upon motion by Steven Atkins, Psy.D., and second by Robert Walrath, Psy.D., the Board voted to approve applicant Paul Leandri to take the national exam.

Public Hearing

N/A

Questions

Q. The Board Administrator asked the Board what a licensee needs to do if the applicant was previously in inactive status but has expired (more than 6 months) and wants to renew inactive status.

A. *The Board agreed that a renewal applicant who has let their license expire and has not renewed in over six months the applicant would need to follow the rules under Psy 404 reinstatement.*

Upon the motion at 10:49 a.m. by Steven Atkins, Psy.D., with a second by Robert Walrath, Psy.D., the Board voted to go into non-public session Per RSA 91-A:3 II (c).

Upon motion at 11:19 a.m. by Deborah Warner, Psy.D., with a second by Steven Atkins, Psy.D., the Board voted to go out of non-public session and into public.

Upon motion at by Dr. Deborah Warner with a second by James Halla Psy.D., 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, that divulgence of the information likely would affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a Board member and to render the propose action ineffective. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.

Upon motion at 11:20 a.m. by Deborah Warner, Psy.D., with a second by Catherine Shanellaris, Esq., the Board voted to go into non-meeting.

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ADJOURN: Upon motion to adjourn by Deborah Warner, Psy.D., with a second by Robert Walrath, Psy.D., the Board voted to adjourn at 11:38 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Michelle Thibeault, Administrator for the Board of Psychologists