

# Board of Psychology

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Friday, March 1, 2019 @ 9:00 AM  
Public Minutes

The March 1, 2019 meeting of the Board of Psychologists (the "Board") convened at 9:08 a.m. at the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification, 121 South Fruit St., Concord, NH with the following members present:

Steven C. Atkins, Psy.D., Acting Chair  
James Halla, Psy.D.  
Robert P. Walrath, Psy.D.  
Tonya Warren, Psy.D.  
Klaran Warner, Ph.D.  
Deborah Warner, Ph.D. (9:30 – 11:32 a.m.)

Absent: Anna L. Elbroch, Esq., Chair and Lauren Greenwald, Esq.

Public in attendance: Jessica M. Leonard (NH Psychological Assoc.)

## ADMINISTRATIVE

The Minutes of the February 1, 2019 public session were approved with a motion by Robert Walrath, Psy.D., and a second by Tonya Warren, Psy.D., and all other members present voting in the affirmative.

Acting Chair Steven Atkins, Psy.D., briefed the Board on SB 232 which will adopt the model psychology interjurisdictional compact A/K/A PSYPACT Bill. The bill has passed unanimously in the Senate and will be introduced to the House in March as SB 232. When talking to lobbyist refer to SB 232.

The Board voted to add to the website under FAQ regarding post-doctoral hours.

## PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Hearing for Randall Herman, Psy.D., convened at 10:00 a.m. for his request for licensure to practice psychology. Mr. Herman addressed the Board and discussed the essays he presented to the Board with his application.

### **Motion to commence 1<sup>st</sup> Non-Public Session:**

On a motion at 10:44 a.m. by Robert Walrath, Psy.D., with a second by James Halla, Psy.D, the Board voted to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business 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, RSA 329:18, I, RSA 329:18-a, IV, RSA 329:29, Lodge v.

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Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

~**Motion Approved**

**1<sup>st</sup> Non-Public Session:**

[Minutes kept separately]

**Motion to keep minutes of 1<sup>st</sup> non-public session confidential:**

Upon the motion at 11:09 a.m. by Deborah Warner., Ph.D., with a second by Tonya Warren, 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 proposed action ineffective. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.

~**Motion Approved**

## PUBLIC HEARING

At 11:10 a.m. the public hearing of Mr. Randall Herman., reconvened, the Board discussed the outcome from the public hearing. Randall Herman Psy.D., application was denied; however, he was given the option to withdraw his application and reapply with stipulation he acquires 6 continuing education credits in practical ethical training.

**Motion to commence 2<sup>nd</sup> Non-Public Session:**

On a motion at 11:19 a.m. of Deborah Warner, Ph.D., seconded by Tonya Warren, Psy.D., the Board voted to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business 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, RSA 329:18, I, RSA 329:18-a, IV, RSA 329:29, Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

~**Motion Approved**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Non-Public Session:**

[Minutes kept separately]

**Motion to keep minutes of 2<sup>nd</sup> non-public session confidential:**

Upon the motion at 11:24 a.m. by Deborah Warner., Ph.D., with a second by Tonya Warren, Psy.D., the Board voted to withhold and seal the minutes of the preceding non-

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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 proposed action ineffective. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.

~**Motion Approved**

## QUALIFICATION AND LICENSURE

### 1. Application for Licensure

- Upon motion by James Halla, Psy.D. with a second by Tonya Warren Psy.D. the Board approved the application for licensure Afolayan, Abimobola (Passed EPPP exam on 2/7/2019) ~**Motion Approved**
- Upon motion by James Halla, Psy.D. with a second by Tonya Warren Psy.D. the Board approved the application for licensure Barb, Richelle. ~**Motion Approved**
- Upon motion by James Halla, Psy.D. with a second by Tonya Warren Psy.D. the Board approved the application for licensure Bellini, Samantha. ~**Motion Approved**
- Upon motion by James Halla, Psy.D. with a second by Tonya Warren Psy.D. the Board approved the application for licensure Erin Sandler ~**Motion Approved**
- Upon motion by Klaran Warner, Ph.D., with a second by James Halla, the Board requests that the application for licensure of Williams, Alissa redo the essays ~**Motion Approved**

### 2. License Reinstatement

N/A

### 3. Application for Temporary Licensure

The Board held the discussion on temporary licensure. The Board cannot grant a temporary license if an applicant does not have the following credentials:

Per RSA 329-B:20 Temporary and Emergency Applicants From Other States

(A) The Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB) Certificate of Professional Qualification in Psychology (CPQ);

(B) The ASPPB Interjurisdictional Practice Certificate (IPC);

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- (C) The American Board of Professional Psychology (ABPP) certification;
- (D) The National Register of Health Providers in Psychology certification; or
- (E) Other equivalent qualifications determined by the board.

Deborah Warner, Ph.D., further commented on the 30 day temporary license by clarifying it is notification only.

The Board voted on the motion by James Halla, Ps.D., with a second by Robert Walrath, Psy.D., to have Deborah Warner, Ph.D., go to legislation to clearly define RSA 329-B:20 section I. ~**Motion Passed**

- Upon motion by Tonya Warren, Psy. D with a second by Robert Walrath Psy.D., the Board to approved the 90 day temporary license of Jill Durand with a start date of February 9, 2019. ~**Motion Approved**
- Upon motion by Tonya Warren, Psy. D with a second by Robert Walrath, Psy.D., the Board approved the 30 day temporary license of Jordan Levy. ~**Motion Approved**
- Upon motion by Tonya Warren, Psy. D with a second by Robert Walrath, Psy.D., the Board approved the 30 day temporary license of Lauren Herbert. ~**Motion Approved**

#### 4. Request to Sit for Exam

- Upon motion by Tonya Warren, Psy. D with a second by Robert Walrath, Psy.D., the Board approved Alison Roy to sit for the exam and once a passing grade is attend Ms. Roy can be licensed. ~**Motion Approved**
- Upon motion by Tonya Warren, Psy.D., with a second by Klaran Warner, Ph.D. the Board approved Colleen Wentworth, to sit for the exam. – Robert Recused ~**Motion Approved**

## QUESTIONS

**QUESTION 1** (forwarded by ASPPB Administration on behalf of Lisa B. Yazdani, PhD, Executive Secretary, Mississippi Board of Psychology):

The MS Board of Psychology is interested in knowing the following about how other states/provinces handle complaints against psychologists/investigations:

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a. On the complaint form, do you list potential ethical violations or make any reference to the APA Ethical Principles and Code of Conduct?

Answer: Steven Atkins, Psy.D. will address this question in person at the ASPPB meeting.

b. Once the psychologist in question has responded to the complaint in writing, what criteria, if any, do you use to determine what steps to take? For example, do you have any rating system to address the severity of the complaint or any objective way to address the complaint?

Answer: Steven Atkins, Psy.D. will address this question in person at the ASPPB meeting.

c. How long do you retain complaint records once your Board has acted on the complaint? Does this differ based on the action taken? (i.e. if the Board finds no reason to act on the complaint, does this impact retention of records?)

Answer: Steven Atkins, Psy.D. will address this question in person at the ASPPB meeting.

d. If the complaint centers primarily around a patient/client not being happy about the outcome of a psychological evaluation(including disability and C & P evaluations), do you have any criteria to dismiss the complaint without further investigation? For example, the complaint seems to be reaching to find something to complain about simply because the person did not get benefits or does not agree with the diagnosis given (or lack of diagnosis).

Answer: Steven Atkins, Psy.D., will address this question in person at the ASPPB meeting.

e. Do you use any stream-lined method or have a process you think works well that you are willing to share?

Answer: Steven Atkins, Psy.D. , will address this question in person at the ASPPB meeting.

## **QUESTION 2** (from Taja Slaughter from ASPPB)

We are currently engaging in program assessment activities and need your assistance. We have New Hampshire listed as fully accepting the Certificate of Professional Qualification in Psychology (CPQ) and would like to confirm that this is still correct. Can

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you please confirm that the CPQ is still fully accepted in New Hampshire? Your response is much appreciated and will help us provide the most current information to potential licensees.

Answer: Steven Atkins, Psy.D. will address this question in person at the ASPPB meeting.

## **QUESTION 3 (from Jes Leonard, Ph.D.)**

Regarding the requirement for psychologists to supervise other psychology trainees' states that the supervisor needs a minimum of 2 years after being licensed. Please clarify if that means licensed in NH only and consistently? (For example, can a psychologist who has been licensed for 2+ years in another state and just transferred to NH with a NH licensed be a licensed supervisor for post-docs in NH? Another example, can a psychologist who had been licensed for 10+ years in NH, allowed NH license to expire but recently retained licensure in NH again be a supervisor for post-docs in NH or would that said psychologist have to wait to years again?)

Answer: Tabled

## **FOLLOW-UP ON APPLICANTS FROM FEBRUARY 1, 2019**

- Murphy, Kate (approved to sit for EPPP on 11/2/2018)
  - 2/2/2019 – Took exam (failed)
- Reinert, Jacquelyn (approved to sit for EPPP 2/1/2019)
  - 2/25/2019 - No update
- Ronayne, Michelle (approved to sit for EPPP 2/1/2019)
  - 2/25/2019 – No update
- Stephens, Bethanie (EPPP and essays)
  - 2/22/2019 received revised essays and curriculum vitae from Applicant
  - 2/4/2019 sent letter to Applicant for clarification
  - 1/29/2019: Question received from Applicant to the Board

Upon a motion the Board voted to adjourn the Board of Psychology public meeting at 12:03 p.m.

Robert Walrath, Psy.D., will not be able to attend the April and May Board meetings.

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Klaran Warner, Ph.D.  
Lauren Greenwald, Esq.  
Deborah Warner, Ph.D. (9:30 – 11:32 a.m.)

Public in attendance: Jessica M. Leonard, Jessica DiMarco, and Matt Turner

## ADMINISTRATIVE

The Minutes of the January 11, 2019 public session were approved with a motion by Steven Atkins, Psy.D., and a second by Lauren Greenwald, Esq., and all other members present voting in the affirmative.

PsyPact Bill: HB 483. Deborah Warner, Ph.D., reported that the sub-committee had reviewed the PsyPact and found it confusing and it posed many questions. The sub-committee voted to retain HB 483.

ASPPB – Upcoming call for nominations; no need to talk about this; was informational purposes only.

## PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Hearing for Dr. Jessica DiMarco, applicant for Psychology commenced at 10:15 a.m. Dr. DiMarco presented the Board with additional documentation of her supervision hours. Based on a review of the documentation received, Dr. DiMarco's supervision hours fail to meet the standards required for licensure.

**Motion to commence 1<sup>st</sup> Non-Public Session:**