

BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY
Professional and Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF MEETING

The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by §92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS).

Date: February 21, 2014

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Place: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, 1st Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Present: Carol L. Nowak, Ph.D., Chairperson
Scott Hashimoto, J.D., Psy.D., Vice Chairperson
Rosemary Adam-Terem, Ph.D., Member
Lisa Chun Fat, Member
Brian B. Combs, Ph.D., Member
Frances P. Hackbarth, Member
Ahlani K. Quiogue, Executive Officer
Shari J. Wong, Deputy Attorney General ("DAG")
Faith Nishimura, Secretary

Excused: Margo I. Peter, Psy.D., Member

Guests: Allana Coffee
Jerry Coffee

Call to Order: There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Chairperson Nowak at 1:35 p.m.

Approval of the Meeting Minutes: It was moved by Mrs. Hackbarth, seconded by Dr. Hashimoto, and unanimously carried to approve both the meeting minutes and executive session minutes of the December 20, 2013 meeting as circulated.

It was moved by Mrs. Hackbarth, seconded by Dr. Hashimoto, and unanimously carried to approve the executive session minutes of the January 22, 2014 Applications Committee minutes as circulated.

Additions/Revisions to Agenda: It was moved by Dr. Combs, seconded by Mrs. Hackbarth, and unanimously carried to add the following matter to the agenda:

7. Applications
 - b. Examination Waiver

- ii. Darah E. Wallsten

Chairperson's Report: None.

Executive Officer's Report: a. Record of Candidates Examined: For the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP)

Executive Officer Quiogue reported that there was a total of one (1) candidate who took and failed the EPPP exam as of January 31, 2014.

Applications: a. Examination

- i. Allana M.W. Coffee

DAG Wong explained to Dr. Coffee that she may choose to have her application reviewed and discussed in either open session or in executive session. Dr. Coffee indicated that she preferred the proceedings be held in executive session.

Executive Session: It was moved by Dr. Hashimoto, seconded by Dr. Combs, and unanimously carried to enter into executive session at 1:40 p.m. pursuant to Section 92-5(a)(1), HRS, to consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for professional license cited in Section 26-9, HRS, and pursuant to Section 92-5(a)(4), HRS, to consult with the Board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities and liabilities.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Dr. Adam-Terem arrived at the meeting at 1:41 p.m.

At 2:45 p.m., it was moved by Dr. Hashimoto, seconded by Dr. Combs, and unanimously carried to return to open session. The room was reopened to the public.

Applications: a. Examination

- iv. Wanda M. Vorsino

It was moved by Ms. Chun Fat, seconded by Dr. Combs, and carried by a majority, with Dr. Hashimoto recusing himself, to approve the application of Dr. Vorsino pursuant to HRS § 465-7 and HAR §§ 16-98-8 and 16-98-9.

i. Allana M.W. Coffee

It was moved by Dr. Hashimoto, seconded by Dr. Combs, and unanimously carried to approve the application of Dr. Coffee and issue her a Letter of Education which is non-disciplinary in nature, over her failure to provide accurate information with her application pursuant to HRS § 465-7 and HAR §§ 16-98-8 and 16-98-9. Furthermore, members requested that Dr. Coffee submit a revised application.

ii. Chanel E. Kealoha

It was moved by Dr. Nowak, seconded by Dr. Hashimoto, and unanimously carried to approve Dr. Kealoha's application pursuant to HRS § 465-7 and HAR §§ 16-98-8 and 16-98-9. Members stated that this approval is contingent upon the Board's office receiving documentation from Dr. Kealoha's doctorate program stating that she met all degree requirements on/before November 12, 2012.

iii. Joseph J. Stafford III

It was moved by Dr. Adam-Terem, seconded by Mrs. Hackbarth, and unanimously carried to defer the application of Dr. Stafford pursuant to HRS § 465-7 and HAR §§ 16-98-8 and 16-98-9.

b. Examination Waiver

ii. Darah E. Wallsten

It was moved by Dr. Hashimoto, seconded by Dr. Adam-Terem, and unanimously carried to approve the application of Dr. Wallsten pursuant to HRS §§ 465-7 and 465-10 and HAR §§ 16-98-9, 16-98-16, 16-98-23, 16-98-25 and 16-98-30.

i. Carly J. Knapp

It was moved by Dr. Combs, seconded by Mrs. Hackbarth, and unanimously carried to defer the application of Dr. Knapp pursuant to HRS §§ 465-7 and 465-10 and HAR §§ 16-98-9, 16-98-16, 16-98-23, 16-98-25 and 16-98-30.

c. Senior Psychologist

None.

d. ABPP Diplomate

None.

e. CPQ/NR

None.

f. Ratifications

i. Examination

- a. Charles E. DeLeeuw
- b. Rachael G. DeCosta
- c. Laura L. Epstein
- d. Michael P. Valenti
- e. Sharolyn S.H.T. Tani
- f. Janalle Kaloi-Chen

It was moved by Dr. Hashimoto, seconded by Dr. Adam-Terem, and unanimously carried to ratify the approval of the applications of Drs. DeLeeuw, DeCosta, Epstein, Valenti, Tani and Kaloi-Chen pursuant to HRS § 465-7 and HAR §§ 16-98-8 and 16-98-9.

ii. National Register

- a. David Brown
- b. Lorie T. DeCarvalho
- c. G. Zachariah White

It was moved by Dr. Hashimoto, seconded by Dr. Adam-Terem, and unanimously carried to ratify the approval of the applications of Drs. Brown, DeCarvalho and White pursuant to HRS § 465-7.

iii. Senior Psychologist

- a. Brita Martiny

It was moved by Dr. Hashimoto, seconded by Dr. Adam-Terem, and unanimously carried to ratify the approval of the application of Dr. Martiny pursuant to HRS § 465-7.

Legislation:

Executive Officer Quiogue requested that the Board create a legislative committee to provide guidance in drafting testimony for substantive legislative issues during the current legislative session.

The members decided that Drs. Nowak, Hashimoto and Combs would represent the Board as its legislative representatives.

a. Senate Bill No. 2465, S.D. 1 Relating to Continuing Education for Psychologists

This measure requires psychologists in the State of Hawaii to complete a minimum of eighteen credit hours of continuing education courses during each licensing renewal biennium, beginning July 1, 2016.

Executive Officer Quiogue indicated that this measure is similar to the draft legislation submitted by the Board and the Hawaii Psychological Association.

The Senate Committee on Ways and Means held a hearing on February 13, 2014, and recommended that the measure be passed with technical, non-substantive amendments.

b. House Bill No. 2030 Relating to Continuing Education for Psychologists

This measure requires psychologists to complete a minimum of eighteen continuing education credit hours beginning with renewal for the licensing biennium July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2018.

This measure was distributed amongst members for informational purposes only.

c. Senate Bill No. 2612 Relating to Continuing Education

This measure requires licensed psychologists to complete a minimum of eighteen credit hours of continuing education courses for the licensing renewal period beginning July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2016. This measure also requires at least three credit hours of continuing education to be ethics courses.

This measure was distributed amongst members for informational purposes only.

d. House Bill No. 2208 Relating to Continuing Education

This measure requires psychologists to complete a minimum of eighteen credit hours of continuing education courses for the licensing renewal period beginning July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2016. This measure also requires at least three credit hours of continuing education to be ethics courses.

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e. Senate Bill No. 2611 Relating to Psychologists

This measure removes the requirement that applicants for a license in psychology complete one year of post doctoral training.

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f. House Bill No. 2207 Relating to Psychologists

This measure removes the requirement that applicants for a license in psychology complete one year of post doctoral training.

The House Committee on Health held a hearing and deferred the measure on February 5, 2014.

Members reviewed testimony submitted by Stephen T. DeMers, Ed.D., Chief Executive Officer, Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards ("ASPPB"). (For members and the public's edification, Executive Officer Quiogue explained that the Board is a member board of the ASPPB.)

The ASPPB relayed several concerns in its testimony, including:

- Currently, psychology licensure applicants in Hawaii are required to complete 1,900 hours of internship as well as 1,900 hours of post-doctoral supervised experience. By removing the requirement for a year of post-doctoral supervised experience, Hawaii will have the lowest entry level requirements of all U.S. jurisdictions with the exception of Alabama.
- Although fourteen other jurisdictions have made the post-doctoral supervised experience year optional, all have continued to require the same amount of hours of supervised experience as a requirement but have allowed applicants to document those hours in other ways such as practicum supervision hours, pre-internship supervision hours and/or post-doctoral supervision hours.
- If passed, H.B. No. 2207 would create a statute that has lower recommended requirements for supervision than those recommended by both national psychological associations, ASPPB and the American Psychological Association (APA). Both ASPPB and APA have model acts which recommend more than the completion of an internship for licensure.

Discussion followed. Members expressed their concern with this

measure, specifically, decreasing the amount of supervisory hours.

Dr. Nowak asked whether it is difficult to obtain postdoctoral experiences.

Dr. Combs indicated that obtaining a postdoctoral experience should be less cumbersome since the Board allows postdoctoral residents to complete their experiences in a private practice setting.

Members discussed the option of requiring applicants to document practicum supervision hours, pre-doctoral internship hours, and/or post-doctoral supervision hours. Members also discussed the pros and cons of decreasing the experience hours from 1,900 hours to 1,500 hours.

Dr. Hashimoto stated that the Board is tasked with protecting the consumers of this state from unsafe and incompetent psychologists. He went on to say that he is not sure how decreasing the Board's licensing requirements would provide assurances of consumer safety.

In reference to Dr. Nowak's question regarding the difficulty in obtaining postdoctoral experiences, Dr. Adam-Terem indicated that there are few established postdoctoral programs currently available, therefore, graduates are finding it difficult to complete the postdoctoral experience requirement. She also recommended that the Board should review the APA Model Act's recommendations.

After discussion, the Board determined that it would further review the requirements for postdoctoral experience at a later time.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: None.

Correspondence: None.

Next Meeting: Friday, March 21, 2014
1:30 p.m.
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Adjournment: There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by Dr. Adam-Terem, seconded by Dr. Hashimoto, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 3:15 p.m.

Reviewed and approved by:

Taken and recorded by:

/s/ Ahlani K. Quiogue
Ahlani K. Quiogue
Executive Officer

/s/ Faith Nishimura
Faith Nishimura
Secretary

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Minutes approved as is.
 Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of _____.