

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: May 18, 2018

Time: 1:30 p.m.

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

Present: Sherry Sutherland-Choy, Psy.D., APRN-Rx, Chairperson
Rosemary Adam-Terem, Ph.D., Member
Lisa Chun Fat, Member
Jill Oliveira Gray, Ph.D., Member
May Ferrer, Executive Officer ("EO")
Daniel Jacob, Esq. Deputy Attorney General ("DAG")
Susan A. Reyes, Secretary

Excused: Marty Oliphant, Vice Chairperson
Don Pedro, Psy.D., Member

Guest: None.

Call to Order: There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Chairperson Sutherland-Choy at 1:30 p.m.

Approval of the Meeting Minutes: It was moved by Dr. Oliveira Gray, seconded by Dr. Adam-Terem, and unanimously carried to approve the open session minutes of the April 20, 2018 meeting as circulated.

Amendments to Agenda: EO Ferrer requested to defer the following agenda item:

4. Executive Officer's Report
 - c. Discussion on report of general examinee information and pass/fail results for the EPPP; preparation for exam; how institutions maintain standards for curriculum.

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

Executive Officer Ferrer reported that during the period of March 25, 2018 – April 28, 2018, there were seven

candidates who took the EPPP exam; two passed and five failed.

b. Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards ("ASPPB")
Psychology Licensure Universal System (PLUS)®

This system allows users to bank information in the Credentials Bank. The ASPPB would then forward all the information provided to the jurisdiction for which application is being made.

Executive Session: It was moved by Ms. Chun Fat, seconded by Dr. Adam-Terem, and unanimously carried to enter into executive session at 1:42 p.m. to consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for professional or vocational licenses in accordance with HRS §92-5(a)(1), and to consult with the Board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, immunities and liabilities in accordance with HRS §92-5(a)(4).

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 1:56 p.m., it was moved by Ms. Chun Fat, seconded by Dr. Adam-Terem, and unanimously carried to return to open session. The room was reopened to the public.

Applications:

a. Examination

- i. Dhira DiBiase
- ii. Athena Kim-Romero

It was moved by Dr. Adam-Terem, seconded by Dr. Oliveira Gray, and unanimously carried to approve the applications of Drs. DiBiase and Kim-Romero pursuant to HRS §§ 465-7 and HAR §§ 16-98-8, 16-98-9.

b. Examination Waiver

- i. Ani Nikolova

It was moved by Ms. Chun Fat, seconded by Dr. Oliveira Gray, and unanimously carried to defer the application of Dr. Nikolova 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. Ratifications

- i. American Board of Professional Psychology Diplomate (“ABPP”)
 - a. Daniela Schreier
 - b. Nicholas Thaler

It was moved by Dr. Oliveira Gray, seconded by Dr. Adam-Terem, and unanimously carried to approve the application of Drs. Schreier and Thaler pursuant to HRS § 465-7.

New Business:

- a. Disqualifying one’s self from participation in any decisional process in which a conflict of interest may exist

EO Ferrer informed the Board that some boards require a recused board member to step out of the meeting room, and others do not.

A member asked: To what degree of knowing someone should you recuse yourself?

DAG Jacobs responded: You should recuse yourself if you feel that you cannot make an objective decision. He advised that a board member who has recused himself/herself should leave the meeting room, regardless of whether or not it is required by the Board. EO Ferrer added that it would be best to leave the meeting room to avoid any impropriety and scrutiny by the public.

- b. Non-compliance with continuing education (“CE”) requirements and the effect on license status

In answer to a question raised at the May 18, 2018 Board meeting, EO Ferrer indicated that a licensee who requests an extension to complete the CE requirements may continue to practice.

She distributed an example of an online renewal application to the members. She read the following attestation verbiage: “By submitting this renewal unless I am exempt or requesting an extension to the CE requirements I certify that I have met the CE requirements as contained in §465-11.”

The EO indicated that a licensee requesting an extension to complete the CE requirement must submit a letter to the Board for consideration. If granted, the licensee will be required to provide proof of having completed double the amount of the CE credit hours (36 hours vs 18 hours) by the next licensing biennium.

A member asked if teaching or doing research would count toward the CE requirement. EO Ferrer said that §465-1 defines “continuing education” to mean courses approved by the American Psychological Association, the Hawaii Psychological Association, or other state or provincial psychological associations.

Announcements: a. EPPP2 – Latest developments

EO Ferrer indicated that the New York State Board of Psychology has been openly expressing its concerns about the EPPP2. She passed along informal discussion items from New York for the members’ consideration regarding the Part 2 as a voluntary examination and the integration of Parts 1 & 2 into one exam.

Legislative Matters: a. Act 002, SLH 2018 (HB 2739, HD1), Relating to Health – Establishes a regulated process under which an adult resident of the State with a medically confirmed terminal disease and less than six months to live may choose to obtain a prescription for medication to end the patient’s life. Imposes criminal sanctions for tampering with a patient’s request for a prescription or coercing a patient to request a prescription.

A member mentioned that the APA has guidelines for psychologists relating a patient’s competency, capacity or capability for making decisions at the end of life.

A question was raised about any impacts the enactment of this bill might have on the Board. EO Ferrer suggested that the members e-mail her any questions and that she would relay them to the DAG and include the issues for discussion at the Board’s next meeting.

b. HB 2271, HD2, SD1, CD1, Relating to the Practice of Behavior Analysis – Updates and standardizes the terminology used to refer to behavior analysts and applied behavior analysis. Clarifies the licensing exemptions for certain individuals who provide behavior analysis services. Requires the Department of Education to create and implement a plan to provide Medicaid billable applied behavior analysis services to all students diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder within the Department. Establishes reporting requirements.

EO Ferrer informed the Board that this bill was transmitted to the Governor.

Open Forum: a. (Public comment on issues not on the agenda, for consideration for Board's agenda at a subsequent meeting.)

None.

Next Meeting: Friday, June 15, 2018
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. Oliveira Gray, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 2:51 p.m.

Reviewed and approved by:

Taken and recorded by:

/s/ May Ferrer
May Ferrer
Executive Officer

/s/ Susan A. Reyes
Susan A. Reyes
Secretary

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[] Minutes approved as is.

[X] Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of June 15, 2018 .