

Board of Psychological Examiners

Meeting of August 10, 2012
National Life Building, North, Floor 2, Montpelier, VT 05620-3402

APPROVED MINUTES

Members Present: Richard Root, Ed.D Deborah Wallis, Ph.D.
 Michael Doyle Susan Jan Belville
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 Ronald Miller, Ph.D.

Others Present: Larry Novins, Board Counsel, Peter Comart, Licensing Administrator, Carla Preston, Case Manager, Diane Lafaille, Licensing Board Specialist and Rosanna Lak, CEO of the Vermont Psychological Association and Linda Davidson, Executive Director of Nursing.

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.
2. **Minutes:** Mr. Doyle moved, seconded by Ms. Belville, to approve the Minutes of the July 13, 2012 meeting with minor corrections. Approved.

3. **Case Managers Report/Closing Report**

Carla Preston, Case Manager, reported that the Board currently has 12 pending cases. 1 is in intake, 8 are under investigation, 2 are ready for closure and 1 is set for a hearing.

2012-104 – Dr. Wallis presented this case for closure. Dr. Miller moved, seconded by Ms. Belville, to close this case. Approved.

2012-130 – Dr. Miller presented this case for closure. Mr. Doyle moved, seconded by Ms. Belville, to close this case. Approved.

Dr. Gerald Fishman submitted an application for licensure. He has been previously disciplined by the New York Board. The Investigative Team felt that because he held an unencumbered license since 2006 that licensure should be granted once all requirements had been met. The Board agreed.

4. **Rules Revision**

- a. The Board reviewed the comments submitted regarding the proposed rules.
- b. The Board had scheduled a final proposed rules hearing for public comment to begin at 9:30. No further input was provided.
- c. Mr. Doyle moved, seconded by Dr. Miller, that in the proposed rule for small group continuing education that the Board strike the mandatory of small groups and that they be optional. Approved. Ms. Belville and Dr. Root were opposed.

- d. The Board voted to provisionally approve the rules as amended subject to any public comments received in the next week. The Board, if necessary, will hold a meeting, via telephone on the 22nd of August.

5. Continuing Education Credits for Review:

- a. “Transference-Focused Psychotherapy: A Research-Supported Psychodynamic Treatment for Personality Disorders” – approved.
- b. “Basics of Dialectical Behavior Therapy” – approved.
- c. “Treatment of Borderline Personality Disorders Using STEPPS” – approved.
- d. “Mind, Body, Family” – approved.
- e. Pediatric Palliative Care – additional information is needed.

6. Applications:

- a. **The following applicant is seeking approval to sit for the EPPP Examination:**
Wilson, Heather, MA

Ms. Belville moved, seconded by Mr. Doyle, to approve her to sit for the exam.
Approved.

- b. **The following applicant is seeking approval for licensure:**
Kraybill, Matthew, Ph.D.

Dr. Miller moved, seconded by Mr. Doyle, to approve him for licensure. Approved.

- c. **The following applicant is seeking licensure on the basis of endorsement:**
Zukowski, Eve, Ph.D. – The standards are not substantially equal to those of Vermont. She may apply on the basis of examination.

- d. **The following applicant’s supervision was reviewed:**
Michalczyk, Diana, Psy.D. – Dr. Wallis moved, seconded by Mr. Doyle, to preliminarily deny her post-doctorate supervision hours. Approved. Dr. Miller was opposed.

7. Other

- a. Newsletter – Mr. Comart will begin compiling the newsletter once he has received everything.
- b. The Board reviewed the audits of continuing education.

- c. The Board reviewed the Psychology Continuing Education: Small Group Activity Documentation form. Mr. Comart will draft a form for Individual continuing education as well.
- d. Retreat – This will be discussed further at the Board’s next meeting.
- e. Attorney Novins brought up for discussion a possible statutory change to create an “inactive” license status. This will be discussed further at the Board’s next meeting.
- f. Katrine Kirk e-mailed the Board asking if she can receive supervision through Skype. The Board responded that no, she could not.
- g. Michael Kesler e-mailed the Board asking if pre-degree field experience needs to be supervised by a psychologist and the Board responded that it does. He also asked where pre-degree field experience could be done. The Board refers him to Rule 2.4 (2) (C) and (I) and suggests that he consult with senior colleagues if he has specific questions.

8. Review of Process of Meeting Today – Tabled.

9. The Board adjourned at 3:53 p.m.

2012 Scheduled meetings of the Board: September 14, October 12, November 8, and December 14.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Licensing Board Specialist