

Board of Psychological Examiners

Meeting of January 13, 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 Ronald Miller, Ph.D.
 Susan Jan Belville

Others Present: Larry Novins, Board Counsel, Peter Comart, Licensing Administrator, Diane Lafaille, Licensing Board Specialist, Carla Preston, Case Manager, and Steven Lewis, Psy.D.

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m.
2. The Board welcomed Dr. Miller to the Board. Members of the Board addressed the functions of Board members and gave a brief orientation.
3. **Minutes:** Mr. Doyle moved, seconded by Ms. Belville, to approve the Minutes of December 2, 2011, as written. Approved.

4. Case Managers Report

Carla Preston, Case Manager, reports that there are 6 pending cases. 1 is ready for an Investigative Team meeting; 4 are currently under investigation and 1 is being recommended for closure or screening out.

5. Rules Revision

- a. The Board reviewed additional comments received regarding the proposed rules and revisited its current draft.

The Board reviewed draft rule 6.6 Responsibility to Cooperate with Investigations.

Mr. Doyle moved, seconded by Dr. Miller, to strike part 3 of this paragraph which states, “When a client has made a complaint about a psychologist, The Board considers that the complainant waives the client’s claim of confidentiality to the extent necessary to investigate the complaint and no further release is required.” Approved.

Mr. Doyle moved to strike the 2nd paragraph in 6.6 as well. This paragraph states, “When an investigation seeks confidential client information, the psychologist, whether or not the subject of the investigation, has a duty to request that the client release the information to the Board’s investigators.” There was no second. Motion not carried.

Mr. Doyle moved to strike all of 6.6. No second. Motion not carried.

- b. At the March 2012 meeting the Board will get ready to file the proposed rules.

6. Continuing Education Credits for Review:

- a. Scientific Meetings of the Vermont Psychoanalytic Study Group – approved.
- b. “Clinical Hypnosis Applications to Asthma and other Respiratory Illness Titled: Zebras” – approved.
- c. “How to Safely Metabolize traumatic Material in Complex PTSD and DDNOS” – approved.
- d. “Diagnostic Challenges in Child Mental Health” – approved.
- e. “Toilet Training Children With Delayed Toileting Skills” – approved.
- f. 2012 NAPPI Training – approved.
- g. Sandor Ferenczi’s Legacy in New England – approved.
- h. 2012 Assessment of Emotional Functioning – approved.

7. Applications:

- a. Ms. Belville moved, seconded by Dr. Wallis, to approve licensure for the application of Lindsay DeMuth, Psy.D. Approved.
Ms. Belville moved, seconded by Dr. Wallis, to approve Evelyn Reilly, Psy.D. to sit for the EPPP. Approved.

8. Other

- a. Ed Loewenton submitted a letter to the Board regarding his education. The Board cannot make a determination on his education until he has filed an application and the Board has reviewed official transcripts.
- b. The Board reviewed the Introduction letter drafted by Dr. Lewis regarding the proposed rules. Dr. Lewis will make some corrections to the letter and the Board will work with Mr. Comart on sending this letter out to all licensees and other interested parties. Mr. Comart was asked to draft an introductory paragraph thanking Dr. Lewis for his dedication and hard work.

- c. The Board was asked if there was any way to determine, in general terms, what does and does not properly constitute supervised practice. The Board is unsure if what was submitted was considered an official complaint. They requested that a response be sent back to the individual asking if what they submitted constitutes a complaint. He should be advised on the site which states how to file a complaint and also be referred to the APA Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct.

9. Review of Process of Meeting Today – Dr. Root – This was tabled.

10. The Board adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

2012 Scheduled meetings of the Board: February 10, March 9, April 6, May 11, June 8, July 13, August 10, September 14, October 12, November 8, and December 14.

Respectfully submitted by:

Diane Lafaille
Licensing Board Specialist