



Board of Psychological Examiners
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UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE
VERMONT BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS
NOVEMBER 12, 2021 MEETING
REMOTE ONLINE MEETING

Members Present: Ronald Miller, Ph.D. James Huitt, Psy.D.
Michael Doyle Marilyn Turcotte, Psy.D.

Staff Present: Lauren Layman, Staff Attorney, Gabriel Gilman, General Counsel, and Diane Lafaille, Licensing Administrator I.

Others Present: Dr. Richard Barnett and Theodore Studder Kennedy, Esq.

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.
2. Dr. Huitt moved, seconded by Dr. Turcotte, to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2021 as written. Approved.
3. Hearing

2020-64 – Robert DuWors – A Stipulation and Consent Order was heard at 9:30 a.m. Dr. Turcotte moved, seconded by Dr. Grimes, to approve the Stipulation and Consent Order as presented. Approved.
4. Other
 - a. The Board finalized a survey which asks questions regarding supervisors engaged in post-degree supervision. Dr. Turcotte moved, seconded by Dr. Huitt, to approve this survey to be sent to psychology master and doctorate licensees and all pending applications for psychology licensure. Approved.
 - b. Uniform 3-year endorsement was discussed. OPR has finalized a policy document guiding the Director's review of a profession's request for more restrictive endorsement requirements. Attorney Layman provided the Board with a copy of the final policy so the Board can address the policy in its request for more restrictive endorsement requirements. Dr. Huitt will review and help to complete the request to be submitted to Director Hibbert.
 - c. The Board was asked whether it supported a proposal to expand the scope of practice for doctoral psychologists in Vermont to include prescribing authority. The Board needs additional time to review documents and will address this at its next meeting.

- d. Attorney Gilman shared a draft survey with the Board that will be sent to doctorate and master psychology licensees about the proposed expansion of the scope of practice for doctoral psychologists in Vermont to include prescribing authority. The Board agreed the survey should be sent out but asked that it not be combined with the survey regarding supervision.
- e. Attorney Layman informed the Board that the Vermont Legislature is considering legislation to adopt PsyPact and is interested in the Board's opinion regarding the compact. Dr. Huitt moved, seconded by Mr. Doyle, for OPR to share with the Legislature the Board's support for PsyPact and to note to the Legislature the Board's concerns with the compact. Approved. Dr. Miller abstained from voting.

5. Applications:

Mr. Doyle moved, seconded by Dr. Turcotte, to approve the actions of the Board as noted below:

Lazzari, Chad – Education approved.

Luckhardt, Catherine – Licensure approved.

6. Continuing Education

Mr. Doyle moved, seconded by Dr. Turcotte, to approve the actions of the Board as noted below.

- a. CA-64769 – Words, Wordlessness and Beyond – approved.
- b. CA-63766 – Ethics Training for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders Clinicians – approved.
- c. CA-67766 – Suicide Risk Assessment – approved.
- d. CA-66768 – Solution-Focused Brief Therapy – 13 ceu's approved.
- e. ICE-71575 – Psychedelic Assisted Therapy – additional information needed.
- f. ICE-73599 – Vermont Center on Behavior and Health 9th Annual Conference – approved.
- g. ICE-73598 – Vermont Center on Behavior and Health 9th Annual Conference – approved.
- h. CA-66785 – Helping Save Lives Using the Columbia Suicide Severity Rating Scales – approved.
- i. ICE-76610 – The SCERTS Model – 9 ceu's approved.
- j. CA-68768 – Psy-Motivational Interviewing – CHILD Grant – approved.

7. The Board adjourned at 12:21 p.m.

2021 Scheduled Meetings of the Board: December 10.