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UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE
VERMONT BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS
JULY 12, 2024, MEETING
REMOTE ONLINE MEETING

Members Present: James Huitt, Psy.D., Chair
Michael Doyle
Ellen Grimes, RDH, MA, MPA, EdD.
Richard Root, EdD., ABPP, Vice Chair
Carolyn Basiliere, Ph.D.

Staff Present: Emily Tredeau, Staff Attorney; Noura Eltabbakh, Staff Attorney; Diane Lafaille, Licensing Administrator; and OPR Staff.

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m.
2. Mr. Doyle moved, seconded by Dr. Basiliere, to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2024 meeting with the following correction: The month of the meeting should be changed to June instead of May. Approved.
3. Additions to Agenda
Tara Miller appeal.
4. Other
 - a. Nicole Smith from ASPPB sent the Board an email with questions about the acceptance of CPQ. The Board had specific questions. Dr. Huitt moved, seconded by Mr. Doyle, not to accept CPQ because there is currently the 3-year fast track basis of licensure in Vermont which is already an easier path for licensure than the CPQ. Drs. Root and Basiliere abstained from voting. Motion Passed.
 - b. Darrel Spinks sent the Board an email regarding the EPPP2 examinations. This was noted by the Board.
 - c. ASPPB EPPP2 Update – It was noted that ASPPB will consider the EPPP and the EPPP2 as one exam. It would be a two day exam. Attorney Tredeau advised the Board that a rule change would not be necessary to implement the inclusion of the EPPP2.
 - d. Draft Proposed Amended ASPPB Bylaws will be discussed and voted on at the ASPPB meeting that will be held in Dallas, Texas. One has to be in attendance to be able to

vote on a bylaw amendment. The Board would like to send a representative from the Board to be a voting member and to have expenses paid for by the Office. Attorney Tredeau will check whether an exception can be made to the \$500 reimbursement cap and will report back to the Board at its August meeting.

- e. ASPPB Important Announcement regarding Anti-Trust Laws. This was noted.
- f. The Board has agreed to have the Office of Professional Regulation review the continuing education requests that are submitted. Requests that need additional review will be sent to the Board to review.
- g. Tara Miller's appeal of the denial of licensure on qualifications has been affirmed. This was noted by the Board.

5. Applications

Dr. Basiliere moved, seconded by Mr. Doyle approve the actions taken by the Board in the following application:

- a. Shores, Lauren – Approved for licensure.
- b. Shafi, Khawar –At the Board's June meeting it approved his education except they found that the assessment coursework was insufficient under Rule 3.7(1) because of insufficient emphasis on psychometric testing. Mr. Shafi would need 6 supplemental graduate credits under Rule 3.8, in assessment as defined in Rule 3.7(1). Mr. Shafi submitted syllabi for two courses: COUN 5201 – 202417-CRN 113 Diagnosis and the DSM, and COUN 5920 Assessment and Assessment Techniques. The Board has determined that neither of these courses meet the requirements of Rule 3.7(1). The Board will send him a clear description of what the courses need to entail to be accepted as meeting the requirements of Rule 3.7(1).

6. Continuing Education

Dr. Root moved, seconded by Dr. Basiliere approve the actions taken by the Board in the following continuing education requests. Mr. Doyle abstained from voting.

- a. CA 246788 – Resisting Burnout – The Board needs a schedule and information on how the presenter is qualified to offer this course.
- b. CA 246783 – Introduction to Complex Family Systems – approved.
- c. CA 251777 – Systems – Level Strategies for Advancing Health Equity... approved. Dr. Huitt abstained from voting.
- d. CA 251776 – Foundational Health Equity – approved.
- e. CA 251775 – Structural Competence and Cultural Humility ... - approved.

- f. ICE 292721 – End-of-Life Doula Certification Program – approved.
 - g. CA 251774 – Provider Bias Awareness to Address Disparities ... - approved.
 - h. CA 251772 – LGBTQIA+ Topics and Cultural Humility for Youth ... - approved.
 - i. CA 249801 – Clinical Supervision Workshop – approved.
- 7. Public Comment - None
 - 8. The Board adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

2024 Scheduled Meetings of the Board:
August 9, September 13, October 11, November 8, and December 13