

# MINNESOTA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

## Minutes of the 377<sup>th</sup> Meeting

March 10, 2006

**Members Present:** S. Hayes, G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Peterson, J. Romano, M. Seibold, S. Terhune, T. Thompson, S. Ward, and J. Wolf

**Members Absent:** None

**Others Present:** N. Hart, Assistant Attorney General

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

On the recommendation of the Complaint Resolution Committee, the Minnesota Board of Psychology adopted a Stipulation and Consent Order that allows Mary C. Steitz, M.A., LP to VOLUNTARILY SURRENDER her license to practice psychology in Minnesota.

### PUBLIC SESSION

Board Chair, M. Seibold called the public session of the meeting to order at 9:15 AM, in the Psychology Board Conference Room, at 2829 University Avenue Southeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and a quorum was declared present.

#### 1. **Approval of Minutes.**

##### **a. Board Meeting of Minutes January 27, 2006.**

J. Romano moved, seconded by G. Jensen that the minutes of the Board meeting of January 27, 2006 be approved as submitted. Voting "aye": S. Hayes, G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Peterson, J. Romano, S. Terhune, T. Thompson, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting "nay": none. There being nine "ayes" and no "nays", the motion carried unanimously.

##### **b. Special Board Meeting Minutes of February 24, 2006.**

J. Peterson moved, seconded by J. Wolf that the minutes of the Special Board Meeting on February 24, 2006 be approved as submitted. Voting "aye": G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Peterson, J. Romano, S. Terhune, T. Thompson and J. Wolf. Voting "nay": none. Abstaining: S. Hayes and S. Ward. There being seven "ayes" and no "nays", the motion carried.

#### 2. **Administrative Matters.**

**a. Letter to MPA Newsletter Regarding Board Handling of Application.** During February 2006, M. Seibold received a telephone complaint about staff's handling of an application for licensure from a co-worker of the applicant. The communication expressed anger that the applicant was not yet licensed after having applied for licensure in August 2005 and after having graduated from an APA accredited program.

Later, the co-worker wrote a Letter to the Editor of the *Minnesota Psychologist*, MPA's newsletter. P. Walker-Singleton wrote a rebuttal to the letter; both letters are scheduled to appear together in the March 2006 edition of the newsletter.

**b. Meeting with the MPA Diversity Task Force.** J. Lee and P. Walker-Singleton were invited to attend a meeting of the Minnesota Psychological Association's Diversity Task Force held February 15, 2006. The Task Force was interested in hearing about the manner in which the Board plans to require cultural competence through the proposed new rules. P. Walker-Singleton presented some prepared comments along with a copy of relevant sections of the proposed rules.

Ms. Walker-Singleton reported that some Task Force members have given positive feedback and expressed that they are grateful for the Board's integrated approach to requiring that licensees provide services that are culturally competent as opposed to simply requiring continuing education credits in Human Diversity.

**c. Requests from the Minnesota Psychological Association (MPA).** P. Walker-Singleton had conversations with two Minnesota Psychological Association (MPA) representatives, BraVada Garrett Akinsanya, PhD, LP, President and Susan Rydell, PhD, LP, Editor of the MPA newsletter, the *Minnesota Psychologist*.

Dr. Garrett Akinsanya requested that the Board consider sending a representative to present at MPA's Annual Conference this spring on any topic that is important to the Board. She believes that the Board should have a presence at the meeting. The Board's Rules Committee Chair, Jack Schaffer, PhD, LP is already scheduled to present to the Conference on the Board's proposed new rule changes. The Board decided to authorize Dr. Schaffer to be its official representative during the April 14, 2006 Board meeting.

Dr. Rydell requested that the Board consider resuming its regular articles to be published in the *Minnesota Psychologist*. Dr. Rydell suggested topics such as Board statistics, Board updates, and proposed rule changes. The next deadline is April 5, 2006. There were several volunteers to write articles: S. Terhune, G. Jensen, J. Wolf, and S. Hayes. Dr. Wolf and Ms. Hayes will submit an article for the next edition.

### 3. Waivers/Variances.

**a.** Each of the following licensees was granted approval of a six-month time-limited variance to complete requirements for continuing education (CE), in compliance with MN Rule 7200.3400, subpart 2.

Bly, Ruth C., MA, LP	LP0798	02/28/06
Dittrich, Constance L., MA, LP	LP3987	03/31/06
Haakana, Richard D., MA, LP	LP0776	02/28/06
Jacobs-Stewart, Therese, MA, LP	LP0906	01/31/06
Loraas, John A., PhD, LP	LP3963	02/28/06
Morris, David L., PhD, LP	LP0743	01/31/06
O'Brien, Rosemary, MA, LP	LP3923	01/31/06
Rutter, Roxanna L., PhD, LP	LP3040	01/31/06
Schake, Michael R., MA, LP	LP0847	02/28/06
Schnappaaf, Linda N., MA, LP	LP4213	02/28/06

Susens, Kathleen G., MA, LP

LP0785

02/28/06

S. Hayes moved, seconded by S. Ward, that the six month time-limited variance requests to complete continuing education requirements (MN Rule 7200.3400, subpart 2) be approved for the licensees listed above on the basis that the licensees met the burden to prove that adherence to the rule would impose an undue burden on the licensees, that granting the variances will not adversely affect the public welfare, and that the alternatives proposed meet the rationale for the rule. Voting "aye": S. Hayes, G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Petersen, J. Romano, S. Terhune, T. Thompson, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting "nay": none. There being nine "ayes" and no "nays", the motion carried unanimously.

- b.** Steven Hughes, PhD, LP requested a waiver of the late renewal fee stating that he was unable to obtain a postmark of February 28, 2006 and therefore, hand-delivered his renewal application to the Board office on March 1, 2006. In addition, the licensee stated that work hours made it difficult to deliver the renewal materials to the Board during regular hours.

J. Romano moved, seconded by T. Thompson that the Board approve the waiver request on the basis that the licensee met the burden to prove that adherence to the rule would impose an undue burden on the licensee and that granting the waiver will not adversely affect the public welfare. After discussion about the licensee's failure to meet the burden of proof needed for the granting of a waiver, the vote was taken. Voting "aye": J. Romano. Voting "nay": S. Hayes, G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Petersen, S. Terhune, T. Thompson, S. Ward and J. Wolf. There being one "aye" and eight "nays", the motion failed.

J. Peterson moved, seconded by S. Hayes that the Board deny the waiver request on the basis that the licensee failed to meet the burden to prove that adherence to the rule would impose an undue burden on the licensee and that granting the waiver will not adversely affect the public welfare. Voting "aye": S. Hayes, G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Petersen, S. Terhune, T. Thompson, S. Ward and J. Wolf. Voting "nay": none. Abstaining: J. Romano. There being eight "ayes" and no "nays", the motion carried.

- c.** Applicant 06C-014 applied for the EPPP and requested a variance. Applicant met the requirements for a PsyD with a major in Clinical Psychology from Argosy University-San Francisco Bay, CA, on June 15, 2005. Applicant provided sufficient documentation to demonstrate that Applicant earned 1-2 quarter credits in Theories of Measurement. The Application Review Committee moved approval of the request for a variance from MN Rule 7200.1300, Subp.4, B (1) (b), Educational Requirement for Licensure on the basis that the applicant met the burden to prove that adherence to the rule would impose an undue burden on the applicant, that granting the variance will not adversely affect the public welfare, and that the alternative proposed meets the rationale for the rule. Voting "aye": S. Hayes, G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Petersen, J. Romano, S. Terhune, T. Thompson, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting "nay": none. There being nine "ayes" and no "nays", the motion was carried unanimously.
- d.** Applicant 06C-171 applied for the EPPP and requested a variance. Applicant met the requirements for a MA with a major in Clinical Psychology from the University of North Carolina-Wilmington on December 10, 2005. Applicant provided sufficient

documentation to demonstrate that Applicant earned more than three quarter credits in Professional Ethics, Standards of Conduct, and Issues of Professional Practice. The Application Review Committee moved approval of the request for a variance from MN Rule 7200.1300, Subp.4, B (1) (g), Educational Requirement for Licensure on the basis that the applicant met the burden to prove that adherence to the rule would impose an undue burden on the applicant, that granting the variance will not adversely affect the public welfare, and that the alternative proposed meets the rationale for the rule. Voting “aye”: S. Hayes, G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Petersen, J. Romano, S. Terhune, T. Thompson, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting “nay”: none. There being nine “ayes” and no “nays”, the motion was carried unanimously.

- e. Applicant 06C-209 applied for the EPPP and requested a variance. Applicant met the requirements for a PsyD with a major in Clinical Psychology from the University of Denver on August 12, 2005. Applicant’s university does not list the internship on the official transcript. Applicant provided sufficient documentation to demonstrate completion of the pre-degree internship. The Application Review Committee moved approval of the request for a variance from MN Rule 7200.1300, Subp.4, B (4), Educational Requirement for Licensure on the basis that the applicant met the burden to prove that adherence to the rule would impose an undue burden on the applicant, that granting the variance will not adversely affect the public welfare, and that the alternative proposed meets the rationale for the rule. Voting “aye”: S. Hayes, G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Petersen, J. Romano, S. Terhune, T. Thompson, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting “nay”: none. There being nine “ayes” and no “nays”, the motion was carried unanimously.
- f. Applicant 06C-115 applied for the EPPP and requested a variance. Applicant met the requirements for a MSED with a major in Guidance and Counseling from the University of Wisconsin-Superior on December 23, 1994. Applicant’s variance request states that Applicant is deficient in Biological Bases of Behavior and offered work experience as an alternative. The Application Review Committee moved denial of the request for a variance from MN Rule 7200.1300, Subp.4, B (1) (c), Educational Requirement for Licensure on the basis that the applicant did not meet the burden to prove that adherence to the rule would impose an undue burden on the applicant, that granting the variance will not adversely affect the public welfare, and that the alternative proposed meets the rationale for the rule. Voting “aye”: S. Hayes, G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Romano, S. Terhune, T. Thompson, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Abstaining: J. Petersen. There being eight “ayes” and no “nays”, the motion was carried.

#### 4. **Admit to EPPP.**

The Application Review Committee moved that the following applicants be admitted to the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP) after having met the educational requirements for licensure. Voting “aye”: S. Hayes, G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Peterson, J. Romano, S. Terhune, T. Thompson, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting “nay”: none. There being nine “ayes” and no “nays”, motion carried unanimously.

06C-271	06C-240	06C-215	06C-257	06C-313
06C-352	06C-216	06C-314	06C-185	06C-143
06C-084	06C-230	06C-294	06C-273	06C-148
05C-127	06C-274	06C-260	06C-195	06C-196
06C-197	06C-173	06C-331	06C-296	06C-169

06C-141	06C-207	06C-014	06C-261	06C-047
06C-299	06C-095	06C-262	06C-246	06C-145
06C-247	06C-302	06C-248	06C-303	06C-263
06C-234	06C-181	06C-109	06C-186	06C-333
06C-209	06C-281	06C-322	06C-236	06C-140
05C-070	06C-155	06C-251	06C-101	06C-179
06C-201	06C-118	06C-189	06C-284	06C-239
06C-085	06C-285	06C-171	06C-190	06C-149
06C-286	06C-287	06C-223	05C-081	06C-160
06C-094	06C-269	06C-150	06C-127	06C-116
06C-255	06C-211	06C-289		

**5. Deny Admittance to EPPP.**

Applicant 06C-115 applied for the EPPP. Applicant met the requirements for a MSED in Guidance and Counseling from the University of Wisconsin-Superior on December 23, 1994. Applicant did not provide sufficient documentation of coursework in the following core and applied areas required for licensure:

- Scientific Methods
- Theories of Measurement
- Biological Bases of Behavior
- Social Bases of Behavior
- Personality Theory-Human Development
- Professional Ethics, Code of Conduct, Issues of Professional Practice
- Application of Psychological Principles to Problem Identification

The Application Review Committee moved that the application be denied on the basis that the applicant's degree does not meet Minnesota Rule 7200.1300, Educational Requirements for Licensure. Voting "aye": S. Hayes, G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Peterson, J. Romano, S. Terhune, T. Thompson, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting "nay": none. There being nine "ayes" and no "nays", motion carried unanimously.

**6. Admit to PRE.**

The Application Review Committee moved that the following applicants be admitted to the Professional Responsibility Examination (PRE) after having met the educational requirements for licensure. Voting "aye": S. Hayes, G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Peterson, J. Romano, S. Terhune, T. Thompson, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting "nay": none. There being nine "ayes" and no "nays", motion carried unanimously.

06C-271	06C-240	06C-215	06C-257	06C-313
06C-216	06C-314	06C-185	06C-143	06C-084
06C-230	06C-294	06C-273	06C-148	06C-274
06C-260	06C-195	06C-196	06C-197	06C-173
06C-331	06C-296	06C-141	06C-207	06C-261
06C-299	06C-095	06C-262	06C-246	06C-145
06C-247	06C-302	06C-248	06C-303	06C-263
06C-234	06C-181	06C-109	06C-186	06C-333
06C-281	06C-322	06C-236	06C-140	06C-155
06C-101	06C-201	06C-118	06C-189	06C-284
06C-239	06C-285	06C-171	06C-190	06C-149

06C-286	06C-287	06C-223	06C-160	06C-094
06C-269	06C-150	06C-127	06C-116	06C-255
06C-211	06C-289			

**7. Licensed Psychological Practitioner.**

The Application Review Committee moved that the following applicants be licensed as Licensed Psychological Practitioners based on master's degrees after fulfilling all requirements of Minnesota Statute 148.908. Voting "aye": S. Hayes, G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Peterson, J. Romano, S. Terhune, T. Thompson, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting "nay": none. There being nine "ayes" and no "nays", motion carried unanimously.

Thomas Paul Mills, MA  
Kathlene Alice Scholljegerdes, MA

**8. Licensed Psychologist.**

The Application Review Committee moved that the following applicants be licensed as Licensed Psychologists based on doctoral degrees after fulfilling all requirements of Minnesota Statute 148.907, subd. 2. Voting "aye": S. Hayes, G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Peterson, J. Romano, S. Terhune, T. Thompson, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting "nay": none. There being nine "ayes" and no "nays", motion carried unanimously.

Gary Joseph Freitas, PhD  
Sarah Joy Jerstad, PhD  
Gayle Heather MacBride, PhD  
Kathryn Marie Ripple, PsyD  
John Andrew Yozwiak, PhD

**9. Approval of Conversion from Licensed Psychological Practitioner to Licensed Psychologist.**

The Application Review Committee moved approval of the request for conversion from Licensed Psychological Practitioner to Licensed Psychologist, after complying with the requirements of Minnesota Statute section 148.907, subdivision 5. Voting "aye": S. Hayes, G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Peterson, J. Romano, S. Terhune, T. Thompson, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting "nay": none. There being nine "ayes" and no "nays", motion carried unanimously.

LPP0067 Nancy Kendrick Bottorff, MA, LPP

**10. Approval of Doctoral Degree for Master's Level Licensed Psychological Practitioner (LPP).**

The Application Review Committee moved approval of the following Licensed Psychological Practitioner's doctoral degree, which complies with the educational requirements for licensure. Voting "aye": S. Hayes, G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Peterson, J. Romano, S. Terhune, T. Thompson, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting "nay": none. There being nine "ayes" and no "nays", motion carried unanimously.

LPP0090 Tim R. Portinga, MA, LPP (PsyD)

**11. Emeritus Registration.**

The following applicants completed an active career as psychologists licensed in good standing with the Board. The Application Review Committee moved that the applicants be granted Emeritus Registration based on fulfilling all requirements of Minnesota Statute section 148.9105 Emeritus Registration.

Marlys Louise Blomquist, PhD  
Barbara Ann Peil, MA

Voting "aye": S. Hayes, G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Peterson, J. Romano, S. Terhune, T. Thompson, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting "nay": none. There being nine "ayes" and no "nays", motion carried unanimously.

**12. Other Business.****a. APA Rule Update.**

Following the February 24, 2006 Special Board Meeting, a completed packet of rule information was sent to the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) for approval by the Administrative Law Judge. According to N. Hart, OAH has 14 days to issue a report on the process followed, and if approved, the packet will be sent back to the Governor's office, which has 14 days from the date OAH files the rules with the Secretary of State. The adopted rules are then published in the *State Register*, which requires a 10-day lead time prior to the publication date. The rules are then effective five days after publication.

**b. Agreements for Corrective Action.**

P. LaBrocca and G. Schiff each presented to the Board the latest two Agreements for Corrective entered between the Complaint Resolution Committees and licensees.

**c. APA Vote Regarding Post-Doctoral Supervised Employment.**

On February 17, 2006, the APA Council voted to affirm the doctoral degree as the minimum educational requirement for entry into the practice of psychology and the APA recommended that a minimum requirement for licensure be demonstration of two years of full-time supervised practice. The practice could be completed prior or subsequent to the granting of the doctoral degree.

As a member-at-large of the Board of Directors of the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB), Jack Schaffer, PhD, LP consented to attend the Board meeting on April 14, 2006 and participate in a Board discussion and answer Board questions. Dr. Schaffer has more insight into this decision through his membership on the ASPPB Board.

**13. Adjournment.**

S. Hayes moved, seconded by J. Romano, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:27 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

SUSAN HAYES  
Board Secretary

