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**Maine Board of Examiners of Psychologists
Minutes of the August 4, 2015 Board Meeting**

CALL TO ORDER

Glen Davis called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Glen Davis, Psychologist, Chairperson and Complaint Officer
Susan Pratt Martin, Public Member, Vice Chair
Dana Sattin, Psychologist, Complaint Officer
Steven Dawson, Psychologist
Mary Melquist, Psychologist; CE Officer

MEMBERS ABSENT

Thomas Collins, Psychologist

STAFF PRESENT

Geraldine Betts, Administrator
Judith Peters, Assistant Attorney General
Kelly McLaughlin, Senior Consumer Assistant Specialist
Jessica Gowell, Planning and Research Associate I
Kristina Morin, Professional Licensing Supervisor

OLD BUSINESS

Review and approval of the minutes of April 7, 2015

In a motion by Melquist, seconded by Dawson, to accept the minutes of April 7, 2015, as presented. Motion carried, Martin abstained.

NEW BUSINESS

In a motion by Melquist, seconded by Martin to add to the agenda James Babcock, PS1466 to the Application Presentation. Motion carried.

Complaint Committee's Report

2013 PSY 9536 – Quarterly Reports

In a motion by Davis, seconded by Sattin, to approve the third and fourth quarterly report as presented in the matter of 2013 PSY 9536 sending a letter to the licensee and supervisor reminding both that consistent with the letter dated April 29, 2015, the period of disciplinary

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consultation has been extended one quarter (3 months) at the frequency and duration stipulated in the consent agreement. In addition, the consent agreement requires the disciplinary consultant to issue a final, detailed report which must include a review of the licensee's original handwritten or electronic client treatment records to determine that they meet the minimum standards of recordkeeping set forth in the Board's Rules and the standard of care of the profession, as well as a statement from the disciplinary consultant about the licensee's progress and his understanding of competent practice and a recommendation as to whether disciplinary consultation should continue. Motion carried, Complaint Officer Sattin recused.

2014 PSY 10369

Davis and Melquist recused and left the room.

In a motion by Dawson, seconded by Martin, to authorize the Assistant Attorney General to negotiate a consent agreement with the Licensee on behalf of the Board in the matter of 2014 PSY 10369. The proposed terms of the consent agreement are: 1) admission to 10 M.R.S. § 8003(5-A)(A)(2) and (5); Ethical Standards 2.01(b); 9.01(a) and(b) of "The Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct" (2002) ("APA Code") adopted pursuant to Chapter 9, Section 1 of the Board's Rules; 2) Reprimand; 3) A period of probation during which the licensee's practice will be subject to disciplinary supervision with a psychologist ("Disciplinary Supervision") who has been licensed in good standing with the Board for not less than five(5) years and who possesses demonstrable experience in the area of diagnostic testing instruments and assessment. The licensee will be responsible for submitting name(s) and resume(s) of a candidate(s) who is will to act as the Disciplinary Supervisor for the Board's prior approval no later than thirty (30) days from the date the licensee signs the Consent Agreement. The Disciplinary Supervisor must have had no prior professional or personal relationship with the licensee. The licensee will also be responsible for submitting a letter of intent from the Disciplinary Supervisor evidencing his or her familiarity with the circumstances underlying the Consent Agreement, all of the complaint documentation, as well as his or her understanding of the purpose of the consultation. The letter of intent must also acknowledge that the Disciplinary Supervisor has no prior professional or personal relationship with the licensee and will be acting as an agent of the Board for the purposes of disciplinary supervision. In such capacity, the Disciplinary Supervisor will be responsible for bringing forward any ethical or legal concerns with the licensee's practice to the Board. The Disciplinary Supervisor's responsibilities will be to review a minimum of six (6) psychological evaluation reports prepared by the licensee. The Disciplinary Supervisor will evaluate the psychological evaluation reports for both the choice of testing instruments in light of the diagnostic conclusions reach and the accuracy and quality of the content of the report and use them as a tool to review and instruct the licensee as to both the competent use of testing instruments and psychological evaluation report writing. The probationary period is to continue until the licensee has completed a sufficient number of competent psychological assessment reports that has demonstrated competence in this area to the satisfaction of the Disciplinary Supervisor. The Disciplinary Supervisor will be responsible for issuing detailed reports to the Board evidencing the licensee's compliance with and progress in disciplinary consultation addressing with specificity the results of each psychological evaluation report review on a quarterly basis. At the end of the disciplinary supervision period, the Disciplinary Supervisor will be responsible for issuing a detailed report to the Board with respect to the licensee's progress regarding understanding competent practice and a recommendation as to whether disciplinary supervision should continue. The decision as to whether additional

disciplinary consultation is required will rest solely with the Board. All costs associated with disciplinary consultation are to be borne by the licensee; and 4) complete a minimum of eight (8) hours of continuing education in the proper selection and application of diagnostic assessment tests and measures. The licensee must submit an official description of the continuing education course to the Board for its prior approval as well as official confirmation of satisfactory completion. The continuing education hours must be completed no later than one hundred and eighty (180) days from the date upon which the licensee signs the consent agreement. Motion carried, Davis, Melquist and Complaint Officer Sattin recused.

2015 PSY 10883

Melquist recused and left the room.

In a motion by Davis, seconded by Martin, to dismiss 2015 PSY 10883 based on insufficient evidence of a violation of the Board's Laws and Rules. Motion carried, Melquist and Complaint Officer Sattin recused.

Application Presentations

Ralph Zieff, PS1451

In a motion by Davis, seconded by Martin, to accept staff's recommendation and preliminarily deny the renewal application without the offer a Consent Agreement pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 3824(6); 10 M.R.S. §§ 8003(5-A)(A)(4) and (5), and Board Rules, Chapter 8. Motion carried.

Virginia McCrae, PS1455

In a motion by Sattin, seconded by Dawson, to accept staff's recommendation and grant licensure to Virginia McCrae, PS1455, pending the passing of the Maine jurisprudence examination. Motion carried.

Karen Regan, PS1459

In a motion by Melquist, seconded by Martin, to accept staff's recommendation and grant licensure to Karen Regan, PS1459, pending the passing of the Maine jurisprudence examination. Motion carried.

Bonnie Creech, PS1143

In a motion by Melquist, seconded by Martin, to accept staff's recommendation and grant licensure to Bonnie Creech, PS1143, pending the passing of the Maine jurisprudence examination. Motion carried.

Erin Hatch, PS1464

In a motion by Sattin, seconded by Melquist, to accept staff's recommendation and grant licensure to Erin Hatch, PS1464, pending the passing of the EPPP and the Maine jurisprudence examination. Motion carried.

Elizabeth Barker, PE1458

Davis recused and left the room.

In a motion by Melquist, seconded by Sattin, to accept staff's recommendation and grant licensure to Elizabeth Barker, PE1458, pending the passing of the EPPP and the Maine jurisprudence examination. Motion carried, Davis recused.

Maureen Sanford, PS1465

In a motion by Melquist, seconded by Martin, to accept staff's recommendation and grant licensure to Maureen Sanford, PS1465, pending the passing of the EPPP and the Maine jurisprudence examination. Motion carried

Corey Smith, PS1493

In a motion by Sattin, seconded by Melquist, to accept staff's recommendation and grant licensure to Corey Smith, PS1493, pending the passing of the Maine jurisprudence examination. Motion carried.

Lawrence Reed, PS1462

In a motion by Melquist, seconded by Sattin, to accept staff's recommendation and grant licensure to Lawrence Reed, PS1462, pending the passing of the Maine jurisprudence examination. Motion carried.

Sarah Avery-Leaf, PS1460

In a motion by Melquist, seconded by Sattin, to accept staff's recommendation and grant licensure to Sarah Avery-Leaf, PS1460. Motion carried.

Rebecca Mette, PS1457

In a motion by Sattin, seconded by Davis, to accept staff's recommendation and grant licensure to Rebecca Mette, PS1457. Motion carried.

Tracy Townsend, PS1461

In a motion by Melquist, seconded by Martin, to accept staff's recommendation and grant licensure to Tracy Townsend, PS1461, pending the passing of the Maine jurisprudence examination. Motion carried.

Julie Ross, PS1467

In a motion by Melquist, seconded by Davis, to accept staff's recommendation and grant licensure to Julie Ross, PS1467, pending the passing of the Maine jurisprudence examination and receipt of the EPPP scores from the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards. Motion carried.

James Babcock, PS1466

In a motion by Davis, seconded by Martin, to accept staff's recommendation and grant licensure to James Babcock, PS1466, pending the passing of the EPPP and the Maine jurisprudence examination. Motion carried

Administrator's Report

Administrator updated the Board of legislative issues, and informed the Board that effective June 8, 2015 licensees are now being sent via email to licensees.

Committee on Competency Assessment (CCA) Survey

Chair Davis will assist Administrator Betts with the Committee on Competency Assessment (CCA) Survey.

ADJOURN

There being no further business Melquist motioned to adjourn at 1:40 p.m., seconded by Davis.
Motion carried.