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**MICHIGAN BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY  
SEPTEMBER 17, 2015 MEETING**

***APPROVED MINUTES***

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Psychology met on September 17, 2015, at the Ottawa Building, Conference Room 4, 611 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Alan Warbelow, MA, LLP, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

***Members Present:*** Alan Warbelow, MA, LLP, Chairperson  
Eric D. Ozkan, PhD, Vice Chair, Professional Member  
Lt. Col. USAF, Ret. Michael J. Connelly, Public Member  
Mindy Fernandes, Public Member (arrived at 9:40 a.m.)  
Lisa Gray, Public Member  
Dennis Kayes, JD, Public Member  
Sara Van Wormer, MA, LLP, Professional Member  
Martin Waalkes, PhD, Professional Member

***Members Absent:*** Joseph J. Horak, PhD, Professional Member

***Staff Present:*** Amy Schneider, Secretary, Board and Special Programs Section  
Cheryl Pezon, Manager, Board and Special Programs Section  
Michael Siracuse, Board and Special Programs Section  
Virginia Abdo, Compliance Manager (left at 9:40 a.m.)  
Pam Millben, Analyst, Enforcement Division (left at 9:40 a.m.)  
Erika Marzorati, Assistant Attorney General

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

***MOTION*** by Kayes, seconded by Ozkan, to approve the agenda as presented.

**MOTION PREVAILED**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*MOTION* by Kayes, seconded by Connelly, to approve the June 18, 2015 meeting minutes as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

## **REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS**

### **Brenda Sue O'Brien, LLP, LPC – Application for Reinstatement**

*MOTION* by Kayes, seconded by Ozkan, to accept the Application for Reinstatement and grant reinstatement. Petitioner's license shall be limited for a minimum period of one (1) year and general supervision in the matter of Brenda Sue O'Brien, LLP, LPC.

Additionally, Petitioner is placed on probation to run concurrent with her period of limitation with the following terms and conditions:

- 1) Quarterly Supervisor Reports.
- 2) Comply with the Public Health Code.

Petitioner's license shall be automatically reclassified at the end of the limitation period.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas: Connelly, Fernandes, Kayes, Ozkan,  
Van Wormer, Waalkes, Warbelow  
Abstain: Gray

MOTION PREVAILED

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Chairperson's Report**

Warbelow reported the new rules for Psychology CEU are in the process of being promulgated. Warbelow also reported that Waalkes, Kayes and he were contacted from the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB) about interest in a competency rather than knowledge based exam. He requested additional information pertaining to the survey.

## **HPRC Appointment**

Siracuse informed the Board that a representative is needed for the Health Professional Recovery Committee (HPRC) to represent the Board of Psychology. Any interested and eligible individual may send their letter of interest and curriculum vitae to Michael Siracuse at SiracuseM@michigan.gov. Board members cannot serve on the HPRC. Item will be discussed further at the next meeting.

## **Post Graduate Approval request from Ms. Shannon**

*MOTION* by Kayes, seconded by Ozkan, to table the Post Graduate Approval request from Ms. Shannon until further information is provided.

Discussion was held.

A voice vote followed.

**MOTION PREVAILED**

## **Department Update**

Cheryl Pezon introduced herself as the new Board and Special Programs Manager and explained the purpose of the new Bureau of Professional Licensing.

Siracuse updated Board members about the training on recognizing signs of Human Trafficking that will become a rule for licensed Psychologist.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Diane Blau, representing the Michigan School of Professional Psychology (MiSPP), expressed Masters level enrollment decline and suggested establishing a focus group to address this concern. She also noted the school is working towards American Psychological Association (APA) accreditation and submitted an application. She also noted a new certificate program "Psychology of Aging and Well-being."

Jeff Andert, MPA, thanked the Board for their service and the CEU approval requirements.

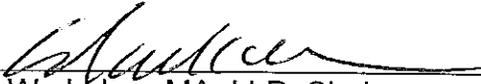
## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held December 17, 2015 at 9:30 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 4, Lansing, Michigan.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

*MOTION* by Kayes, seconded by Connelly, to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

MOTION PREVAILED

  
Alan Warbelow, MA, LLP, Chairperson

12.17.15  
Date Minutes Signed

Prepared by:  
Amy Schneider, Board Secretary

September 17, 2015