

DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES REGULATION
BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

3 CAPITOL HILL
CONFERENCE ROOM 104
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

Thursday, October 29, 2015
8:00 AM

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Rowland Barrett, Ph.D.
Peter Oppenheimer, Ph.D., Chairperson
Charles Maynard, Public Member

BOARD MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Margaret Paccione-Dyszlewski, Ph.D.

STAFF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Sarah Harrigan, Chief, Center for Professional Boards and Commissions*
Arlene Hartwell, Board Manager

*Arrived at 8:35 and departed prior to closed session

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

None

1. Establishment of a quorum

A meeting of the Board of Psychology was held on Thursday, October 29, 2015 at the Rhode Island Department of Health, Conference Room 104, 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. A quorum was established and the Open Session meeting was called to order at 8:18 AM on a motion by Charles Maynard and seconded by Rowland Barrett. Motion carried.

2. Presentation of the August 20, 2015 Open Session Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Peter Oppenheimer and seconded by Rowland Barrett to accept the Open Session minutes of August 20, 2015. The Board voted unanimously to approve the Open Session minutes as presented. Motion carried.

3. Board Manager Report

- Arlene Hartwell announced that, effective October 5, 2015, Dr. Jacqueline Horn is the Director of Regulatory Affairs within the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards.

4. President/Chairperson Report

- Peter Oppenheimer announced that Representative Chippendale has begun a Special Commission on the Board of Medical Licensing and Discipline
 - i. Peter expressed concern that no one from the licensing board is part of the commission.
- Federal Trade Commission Staff Guidance on Active Supervision of State Regulatory Boards RE: No 13-354
 - i. Peter Oppenheimer would like legal oversight regarding the policies of Licensing Boards at the Rhode Island Department of Health relative to the FTC and the US Supreme Court ruling North Carolina Board of Dental Examiners v. Federal Trade Commission.
- Massachusetts Acts 2015 Chapter 10
 - i. Peter announced that in Massachusetts, Medicaid providers must apply to Mass Health, however, according to the American

Psychological Association, it is not a function of licensing boards to mandate such action. Peter will keep the board apprised with updates.

5. New Business

- On a motion by Rowland Barrett and seconded by Charles Maynard, the board voted unanimously to return authorization of the Board Manager to license applicants unless there is any question of eligibility.

6. Motion to adjourn to Closed Session

Motion was made by Charles Maynard and seconded by Rowland Barrett to adjourn to Closed Session at 8:47 AM. Motion carried. Pursuant to Sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(1) of the Rhode Island General Laws, for the purpose of discussing job performance, character, physical or mental health of applicants for licensure. Said individuals have been notified in advance by writing that they may request that the discussion be held at an open meeting. Also, pursuant to Sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(4) of the Rhode Island General Laws, for investigatory proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct.

7. Motion to return to Open Session

Motion was made by Rowland Barrett and seconded by Peter Oppenheimer at 10:35 AM to re-open the Open Session and to seal the Minutes of the Closed Session pursuant to Sections 42-46-4, 42-46-5 and 42-46-7 of the Rhode Island General Laws. Motion carried.

8. Final Actions on all votes taken in Closed Session

- The board reviewed 4 applications, approved 3 applications; and proposed action on 1 case.

9. Adjournment

The next Board of Psychology meeting will be held Thursday, March 24, 2015 at the Rhode Island Department of Health, Conference Room 104, 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. Motion was made by Peter Oppenheimer and seconded by Rowland Barrett to adjourn at 10:43 AM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Arlene Hartwell
Board Manager
Center for Professional Boards and Commissions