

INDIANA STATE PSYCHOLOGY BOARD

Minutes

March 17, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Dr. Hale called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m. in Conference Center Room 1 & 2 of the Indiana Government Center South, 302 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, and declared a quorum in accordance with Indiana Code § 25-33-1-3(g).

Board Members Present:

Gregory Hale, Ph.D., Chair

Jere Leib, Ph.D., Member

Stephen G. Ross, Psy.D., Member

Raymond W. Horn, Ph.D., Member

Amber Finley, JD, Consumer Member

State Officials Present:

Cindy Vaught, Board Director, Professional Licensing Agency

Dana Brooks, Assistant Board Director, Professional Licensing Agency

Heidi Adair, Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General

II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda as amended.

Leib/Ross

Motion carried 5-0-0

III. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

There were no minutes to review.

IV. REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Ryan Eldridge, Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, presented the consumer complaint report with the Board. Mr. Eldridge stated their office has twenty-eight (28) open complaints and has closed twenty-seven (27). Mr. Eldridge stated that the average time a complaint is open is nine point seven (9.7) months. Currently there are three (3) litigation cases. The duration of that case is five point four (5.4) months old.

Mr. Eldridge stated that their new reporting system will help the Board see trends with their profession. The majority of the current complaints have been submitted are from Hamilton County with the complaint topic of unprofessional conduct and professional malpractice. Mr. Eldridge stated that each complaint is treated as an individual tally even if it is against one practitioner. Once the Attorney General's office can bring the matter before the Board, then the Board will be able to see the multiple complaints.

V. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

A. Probation

1. Kelly C. Young, Psy.D., License No. 20042335A Cause No. 2022 ISPB 0002

Dr. Young appeared as requested to discuss her ongoing probation. Dr. Young stated that she completed her psychological evaluation with Dr. Linda McIntire on March 15, 2023. She stated that the evaluation will be completed within sixty (60) days.

Dr. Young has completed the PBI Professional Boundaries and Ethics: PB-24 Extended course on March 25-27, 2022 and the PBI Maintenance and Accountability Seminars on February 27, 2023. She stated that the training taught her about different prevention issues and allowed her to learn new avenues to put in place for her own practice. She stated that the training showed her a bit more about herself.

The Board noted they have not received a signed copy of her probationary order from her employment. Dr. Young stated that she has not completed this term. The Board advised her that an administrator from her place of employment can sign the Order, it does not have to be specifically signed by her supervisor. Dr. Young inquired if the Board would accept an electronic signature as her employer is not currently in office. The Board verified they will accept an electronic signature. Dr. Young stated everything else is going fine.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

A. Bojana Sancanin

Cause No. 2023 ISPB 0001

Re: Order To Show Cause – Motion for Order to Cease and Desist and Agreed
Proposed Order

Parties Present:

Respondent was not present

Ryan Eldridge, Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General

Margie Addington, Court Reporter, Accurate Court Reporting

Participating Board Members:

Gregory Hale, Ph.D., (Hearing Officer)

Jere Leib, Ph.D., Member

Amber Finley, JD, Consumer Member

Stephen G. Ross, Psy.D., Member

Raymond W. Horn, Ph.D., Member

Case Summary: On or about February 14, 2023, a Motion for Order to Cease and Desist was filed against Dr. Bojana Sancanin with allegations of unlicensed practice. On or about February 15, 2023, an Order to Show Cause was issued to Dr. Sancanin to appear before the Board at this hearing to address the allegations. On or about March 16, 2023, Dr. Sancanin and the Office of Attorney General reached a Proposed Agreement. Dr. Sancanin was noted to have a Kansas license, but it is currently listed as expired. She provided information to the Office of Attorney General that she thought she could practice under the supervision of a mental health professional in the State of Indiana. Mr. Eldridge informed the Board that if her work fell within the exceptions of licensure in

the law, the Office of Attorney General would not be able to file a Cease and Desist against her. Her employment with INTreatment and LinkedIn profile show her working with the title of psychotherapist. Mr. Eldridge stated that if she violates the proposed agreement, then her case can go before superior court. The Board inquired how the follow up will occur if she does not follow the Agreement. Mr. Eldridge stated that this matter has also been filed with the Behavioral Health and Human Services Licensing Board as this issue falls between two licensure Boards. He also stated that the issue can be readdressed if another Consumer Complaint is filed against her.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to accept the Agreed Proposed Order and to issue the Cease and Desist Order in the matter of Ms. Sancanin.

Leib/Finley
Motion carried 5-0-0

VII. APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW

A. Psychology by Examination/Endorsement

1. Jane Allen

Dr. Allen's application by examination was submitted for review as she indicated that her program and internship were not APA nor APPIC approved at the time of graduation. Dr. Allen is a 2008 graduate of Walden University and is currently licensed in the state of Minnesota. She has passed the EPPP examination in 2012. Dr. Allen provided the course catalog of her program, a letter from Walden University, and the supplemental page of the application for the Board to review. The Board noted that her transcripts verify a mental health internship rather than a psychology internship, and it appears that her internship was not publicly advertised, and she only had one supervisor. The Board would like additional information regarding her internship and requested that she appear once the information is received so she may provide clarification. Her application was tabled.

2. Jason Meadow

Dr. Meadow's application by examination was submitted for review as he indicated that his program was not APA approved at the time of graduation. Dr. Meadow is a 2014 graduate of the Chicago School of Psychology and currently holds a license as a Certified Drug Counselor in the state of Oregon. Dr. Meadows provided the supplemental information form for the Board to review and course descriptions. The Board noted that his transcript shows that his practicum and internship were completed, but his syllabi does not show information regarding the internship. The Board requested that Dr. Meadow provide additional information on the practicum internship sites, how many doctoral interns were with him, who were his supervisors and their credentials, and how the internship was advertised. The Board requested that Dr. Meadow be scheduled to appear to discuss his file once the additional information is submitted. His application was tabled.

3. Michael Mihajlovic

Dr. Mihajlovic's application by endorsement was submitted for review as he indicated that his internship was not APPIC approved at the time of completion. Dr. Mihajlovic is a 2007 graduate of the Chicago School of Psychology and is currently licensed in the states of Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa, Washington, Idaho, and Minnesota with no discipline. He has taken and passed the EPPP in 2007. Dr. Mihajlovic provided the supplemental information form regarding his internship and provided a

copy of his Illinois license application for the Board to review. The Board noted that his transcripts do not show credit earned for his internship, and the supplemental form shows that his internship was not advertised, and he only had one supervisor. The Board requested more information on the internship sites, how many doctoral interns were with him, who were his supervisors were and their credentials, and how those parts were advertised. His application was tabled.

4. Michael Reeser

Dr. Reeser's application by endorsement was submitted for review as he indicated that his program was not APA approved at the time of graduation, and his internship was not APPIC approved at the time of completion. Dr. Reeser has appeared before the Board on May 6, 2022, to discuss his application. At that time the Board requested additional information, and Dr. Reeser provided a letter from his supervisor, Dr. Brian Brentlinger. Dr. Brentlinger provided further clarification of the internship program to the Board's satisfaction.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve Dr. Reeser's application for psychology licensure.

Ross/Leib
Motion carried 5-0-0

5. Kevin Rowe

Dr. Rowe's application for examination was submitted for Board review as he indicated that his internship was not APPIC approved at the time of completion. Dr. Rowe is a 2022 graduate of Indiana State University and is currently licensed as a school psychologist in the state of Indiana. Dr. Rowe participated in two different internships. One internship was under Dr. Corby which appears to be partially acceptable. This internship did not provide the hours required for Indiana hours and based upon the information provided it did not appear to have another HSPP on site. The second internship was under Dr. Sloaker, who appears to be a School Psychologist, and employment was at a private practice. Based upon the information provided it does not appear that those internship hours can be accepted. The Board requested further information on the internship sites, how many doctoral interns were with him, who were his supervisors and their credentials, and how was the internship advertised. The Board requested that Dr. Rowe appear at the May meeting to discuss his application once the additional information is submitted. The Board tabled his application.

6. Jo Shaw

Dr. Shaw's application for endorsement was submitted for Board review as he indicated that his program was not APA approved at the time of graduation, and his internship was not APPIC approved at the time of completion. Dr. Shaw is a 2015 graduate of Walden University, and he is currently license in the state of Hawaii. He has taken and passed the EPPP in 2020. He provided a copy of his course descriptions, a letter from his school, an internship verification form where the source is not listed, and an internship application from Walden University. The Board noted that the provided information does not show much on the internship site, does not list if he had other doctoral interns with him, nor the credentials of his supervisors. The Board requested additional information on the internship sites, how many doctoral interns were with him, the names of his supervisors and their credentials, and how the internship was advertised. The Board requested an appearance to discuss his application once the additional information is submitted. His application was tabled.

B. HSPP Endorsement

There were no HSPP application for review.

C. Continuing Education

There were no CE applications for review.

VIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. ASPPB EPPP FAQs

Dr. Hale stated that the ASPPB has invited Boards to discuss FAQs regarding the new proposed EPPP Part 2 Skills test. He stated that the researcher of the examination is willing to travel and discuss the development of this part if the Board is interested. The Board inquired when part 1 would occur. The Board is unsure of the official time, but it should occur closer to the completion of the doctoral program. This should, in theory, increase the passing rate of the examination. The Board inquired if an applicant would have to take part 1 again if they failed part two. The Board stated they would like to have to have him appear to provide additional clarification.

B. Evan Bartel, Deputy Director, IPLA

Mr. Bartel provided an update to the Board on their rule on the proposed multicultural continuing education. He stated that the Board was unable to move forward with the proposed rule. There was proposed legislation in this current session that would have functioned in the same capacity as their proposed rule. That legislation was not approved. Mr. Bartel stated he could obtain documentation regarding the denial to move forward with the rule should a request of such be made. The Board stated they would like that documentation.

IX. INDIANA PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION REPORT

Mr. Rhoad stated that his office has been fielding a lot of questions regarding membership, CE, and how to obtain a license. He stated that his office tries to help, but they have a lot of questions that borderline legal inquiries which their office cannot provide.

Mr. Rhoad stated that the report from Mr. Bartel is disappointing, and stated that from a consumer standpoint, the rule making process is a mess. He stated that the rejection feels like a political move rather than a professional move. He stated that he will try to pursue the multicultural issue through other avenues. The Board stated that they appreciate the seminars the IPA puts out regarding diversity issues. They stated that the IPA could potentially encourage that training, since it cannot be a requirement at this time.

Mr. Rhoad provided an update on the legislative bills that they are tracking. Currently they are tracking thirty-three bills, particularly 1HB194. This bill will provide more direction on the competency of those who stand trial. It has been proposed there are two reviews completed. One would be done by a HSPP psychologist or Psychiatrist, while the other review would be done by a physician assistant or APRN. Currently the bill has passed in the House, and it is with the Senate. This will primarily impact those completing forensic evaluations. They are also watching HB1460 which is the Community Health Center bill. This bill will expand those who will get licenses in the counseling field, particularly music therapists. Mr. Rhoad also stated they are watching SB275 which impacts similar terms that are exchanged between the professions, and it also expands the scope of School Psychologists who are licensed by the Department of Education. Senate Bill 6 addresses a singular individual provider form for insurance, rather than having different offices submit different provider forms.

Currently the IPA is preparing to have their April CE Conference which will occur on the 28th. Currently they are expecting a high turnout.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, and having completed its duties, the meeting of the Indiana State Psychology Board adjourned at 11:09 a.m.

Gregory Hale, Ph.D., Chair

Date