

**State Board of Examiners
Minutes of Meeting
200 River View Plaza
First Floor Conference Room
Trenton, New Jersey
June 21, 2012**

Present: Dr. Robert Higgins, Secretary
Ms. Jennifer Campbell, Deputy Attorney General
Ms. JoAnn Gales
Ms. Kristin Hennessy
Mr. Derek Jess
Dr. Patricia McGeehan
Dr. Mary Jane McNally
Dr. Timothy Purnell
Mr. Peter Tirri

Absent: Ms. Gloria Tunstall

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Tirri, Acting Chair, who read the appropriate notice that the meeting complied with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Ms. Gales moved to adopt the minutes of the May 17, 2012 meeting, and Dr. McNally seconded the motion. With Mr. Tirri abstaining since he was not present at the May 17 meeting, the minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

Individual Credentials Review

The following individuals attended the meeting to respond to any questions from the Board:

Carrin Bachowski	Teacher of Family and Consumer Science: Child Development
Kevin Christman	Substitute Credential
Jonathan DeSimone	Principal Certificate of Eligibility
Daniel Pacifico	Teacher of Business: Computer Applications and Business Related Information Technology

Credentials Review Consent List

Ms. Gales made a motion that the Board adopt the decisions in the following matters on the credentials review consent list, and Mr. Jess seconded the motion. The candidates in the following cases were present at the May 17, 2012 meeting. With Mr. Tirri abstaining, the Board adopted the following actions by a unanimous vote.

Michael Eckmeyer	Principal Certificate of Eligibility – The Board granted his application for certification.
Roncia Hutchinson	Supervisor – The Board denied her application for certification. The Board also denied her request for extension on the date of application for Principal certification under the former regulations.
Rachel Kreisler	Teacher of Art Certificate of Eligibility – The Board granted her application for certification.
Emmanuelle Lorient-Appruzzese	Teacher of French (Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing or Standard) – The Board denied her application for certification.
Sandra Stanziola	School Counselor – The Board denied her application for certification.
Kevin Stetser	Teacher of Students with Disabilities – The Board denied his application for certification.

Ms. Gales made a motion that the Board adopt the decisions in the following matters on the credentials review consent list, and Ms. Hennessy seconded the motion. The candidates in the following cases were not present at the May 17, 2012 meeting. The Board adopted the following actions by a unanimous vote.

Dr. James Roselli	Learning Disabilities Teacher-Consultant – The Board denied his application for certification.
Carlos Velez	Teacher of Elementary School Certificate of Eligibility – The Board denied his application for certification.

Legal Committee Report

The Legal Committee reviewed all legal cases and presented its recommendations to the Board. The Board took the following actions:

Zuzana Bracok – Ms. Bracok and her counsel, Fredric H. Pearson, Esq., appeared before the Board for a hearing on the sanction issue. Following the hearing, the Board took the matter under advisement and deferred determination until a future meeting.

David M. Kelly – This matter was withdrawn from the agenda.

Lalelei B. Kelly – Alan O. Dixler, Esq., counsel for Ms. Kelly, appeared before the Board for a hearing on the sanction issue. Following the hearing, the Board took the matter under advisement and deferred determination until a future meeting.

Angela Kemp – Alan O. Dixler, Esq., counsel for Ms. Kemp, appeared before the Board for a hearing on the sanction issue. Following the hearing, the Board took the matter under advisement and deferred determination until a future meeting.

Gregory Young – Mr. Young and his counsel, Stephen B. Hunter, Esq., appeared before the Board for a hearing on the sanction issue. Following the hearing, the Board took the matter under advisement and deferred determination until a future meeting.

Kristi Pennypacker – By a vote of 7 to 0, the Board voted to table this matter for further review.

Brian M. Cummins – By a vote of 7 to 0, the Board voted to revoke his certificates based on the level and nature of the conduct and crime.

Adam R. Domaradsky – By a vote of 7 to 0, the Board voted to revoke his substitute credential based on the level and nature of the conduct and crime and his disqualification from employment in the public schools.

Steve Gallon III – By a vote of 7 to 0, the Board voted to revoke his certificates based on a consent order in which he agreed not to seek or accept employment in the public schools of New Jersey.

Bennie Martin – By a vote of 7 to 0, the Board voted to revoke his certificate based on the level and nature of the conduct and crime.

Frederick Nowotarski, Jr. – By a vote of 7 to 0, the Board voted to revoke his certificate based on the level and nature of the conduct and the revocation of his certificates in another state.

Scott Silverman – By a vote of 7 to 0, the Board voted to revoke his certificate based on the level and nature of the conduct and crime and the revocation of his certificates in another state.

Jonathan Titmas – By a vote of 7 to 0, the Board voted to revoke his certificates based on the level and nature of the conduct and crime and his disqualification from employment in the public schools.

G. Stephen Zeltman – By a vote of 7 to 0, the Board voted to revoke his certificate based on the level and nature of the conduct and crime and the revocation of his certificates in another state.

Dr. McGeehan made a motion to go into closed session in order to receive legal advice regarding settlement proposals in the matters captioned *In the Matter of the Certificates of Ivan J. Ruiz* and *In the Matter of the Certificates of Donald Salaam*, which was duly seconded by Ms. Gales and carried by a unanimous vote. The Board went into closed session at 12:45 p.m. The Board returned to the public session at 1:05 p.m.

Dr. Purnell left the meeting at this time.

Ivan J. Ruiz – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to accept the proposed settlement and consent order in this matter and to suspend his certificates for 2½ years.

Donald Salaam – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to reject the proposed settlement and consent order in this matter.

Robert A. Berman – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to issue an order to show cause as to why his certificate should not be revoked based on the level and nature of the conduct and crime.

Thea Betancourt – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted not to take any action against her certificates.

Michael O. Bonsu – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to issue an order to show cause as to why his certificate should not be revoked based on the level and nature of the conduct.

Robyn Fitzgerald – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to issue an order to show cause as to why her certificate should not be revoked based on the level and nature of the conduct and crime and her disqualification from public employment.

Errol J. Goodwater – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to issue an order to show cause as to why his certificates should not be revoked based on the level and nature of the conduct.

Michael Nelson – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to issue an order to show cause as to why his certificates should not be revoked based on the level and nature of the conduct.

Joseph Panzica – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to issue an order to show cause as to why his certificates should not be revoked based on the level and nature of the conduct and crime.

Arnaldo Rodriguez – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to issue an order to show cause as to why his certificates should not be revoked based on the level and nature of the conduct and crime and his disqualification from public employment.

David Wunsch – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to issue an order to show cause as to why his certificates should not be revoked based on the level and nature of the conduct.

William (Guillermo) Santamaria – Mr. Jess recused himself, and this matter was withdrawn from the agenda due to the lack of a quorum.

Arthur J. Tomlin – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to take no action to block his application for certification.

Philip H. Roth – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment of his certificates with the force and effect of a revocation.

Mary Sirangelo – By a vote of 5 to 0, with Mr. Tirri abstaining, the Board voted to deny her request to redact the records of previous action taken by the Board. However, the Board agreed to amend its decision and the minutes of previous meetings.

Neil Brown – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to adopt with modification the decision of the Administrative Law Judge and to revoke his certificates based on the level and nature of the conduct.

Judah Landa – This matter was withdrawn from the agenda.

Dr. McGeehan made a motion that the Board adopt the following matters that were on the legal consent list memorializing the Board’s legal decisions from a previous meeting, and Dr. McNally seconded the motion. With Mr. Tirri abstaining, the Board adopted the following orders by a unanimous vote.

Orders to Show Cause

Brian Ammon
Albert Crosta
Arthur Ernst
Craig Forte
Thomas Gant
Anthony Guzman
Donna Johnson
Jerry Lamb
Kelly Anne Orbin
Daniel Padilla
Cathleen Van Vorst
Joseph Winkelried

Revocations/Suspensions

Lonnie Booher
Lauren Cardinali
James Dickinson, Jr.
Marzet Farris
Nailah Keno
Peter Weindorfer

Other

John Capparelli
Sheryl Gleim

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

There was no new business.

Secretary's Report

There was no secretary's report.

Adjournment

Mr. Jess made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was duly seconded by Dr. McGeehan and carried by a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 1:18 p.m.

The next scheduled public meeting of the State Board of Examiners will be held on Thursday, July 26, 2012, in the first floor conference room, 200 River View Plaza, Trenton, New Jersey.

Minutes prepared by Jeffrey H. Lieberman

Minutes certified by Robert R. Higgins, Secretary

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