

**State Board of Examiners  
Minutes of Meeting  
200 River View Plaza  
First Floor Conference Room  
Trenton, New Jersey  
May 16, 2013**

**Present:** Dr. Robert Higgins, Secretary  
Ms. Daniela Ivancikova, Deputy Attorney General  
Ms. Jennifer McGruther, Deputy Attorney General  
Ms. Kristin Hennessy  
Dr. Patricia McGeehan  
Dr. Mary Jane McNally  
Dr. Timothy Purnell  
Mr. Peter Tirri  
Ms. Gloria Tunstall

**Absent:** Ms. JoAnn Gales  
Mr. Derek Jess

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.

A motion was made to adopt the minutes of the meeting of April 12, 2013, which was duly seconded and carried by a unanimous vote, with Dr. McGeehan and Ms. Tunstall abstaining.

**Individual Credentials Review**

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

David Gray	Principal Certificate of Eligibility
Tanya Soltys	Supervisor
Maria Loreto O. Morton	Teacher of the Handicapped
Anna D'Agostino	Principal Certificate of Eligibility

Coralie Peary Principal Certificate of Eligibility

Myles Hart Teacher of Students with Disabilities

Debbie Santulli, who is seeking a School Counselor certificate, and Evan Saperstein, who is seeking a Teacher of French Certificate of Eligibility, were not present at the meeting.

### **Credentials Review Consent List**

Ms. Tunstall made a motion that the Board adopt the decisions in the following matters on the credentials review consent list, and Dr. McNally seconded the motion. The candidates in the following cases were present at the April 12, 2013 meeting. With Dr. McGeehan and Ms. Tunstall abstaining, the Board adopted the following actions by a unanimous vote.

Anthony Esposito Teacher of Physics Certificate of Eligibility – The Board granted his application for certification.

Shavon Harris Teacher of Elementary School and Teacher of Elementary School with Subject Matter Specialization in Mathematics Certificates of Eligibility – The Board denied her applications for certification.

Kimberly Hutchinson Principal Certificate of Eligibility – The Board granted her application for certification.

Dr. Eric Mack Teacher of Physical Science Certificate of Eligibility – The Board granted his application for certification.

Cynthia Martin Teacher of Preschool through Grade 3 – The Board granted her application for certification.

Susan Maynard Family and Consumer Science: Child and Family Development Certificate of Eligibility – The Board denied her application for certification.

Kristin Tallant School Social Worker – The Board granted her application for certification.

Ms. Tunstall made a motion that the Board adopt the decisions in the following matters on the credentials review consent list, and Dr. McNally seconded the motion. The candidates in the following cases were not present at the April 12, 2013 meeting. The Board adopted the following actions by a unanimous vote.

Margaret Murray Principal Certificate of Eligibility – The Board

denied her application for certification.

Sonya Walsh

Teacher of Preschool through Grade 3 – The Board granted her application for certification.

Elizabeth Marcinek was withdrawn from the credentials review consent list due to the lack of a quorum since Dr. Purnell recused himself.

### **Legal Committee Report**

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

Jill Kubicki – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to table this matter for further review.

Dr. Purnell 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 Certificate of Robert W. Millner* and *In the Matter of the Certificates of Cheryl S. Sayles*, which was duly seconded by Dr. McGeehan and carried by a unanimous vote. The Board went into closed session at 11:54 a.m. The Board returned to the public session at 12:20 p.m.

Mary Lou Forsell – By a vote of 5 to 1, with Ms. Tunstall opposing, the Board voted to suspend her certificates for 2 years based on the level and nature of the conduct.

William (Guillermo) Santamaria – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to revoke his certificate based on the level and nature of the conduct and crime and his disqualification from employment in the public schools.

Francis De Stefano – 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.

Lolamarie O'Rourke – Ms. Tunstall recused herself, and this matter was withdrawn from the agenda due to the lack of a quorum.

Joseph E. Sherman – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to revoke his certificate based on the level and nature of the conduct and the surrender of his certificates in another state.

Catherine DePaul – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to vacate the order to show cause that had been issued to her and to issue a new order to show cause as to why her certificates should not be revoked based on the level and nature of the conduct and crime and her disqualification from holding any public position.

Alexis Hayes – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to vacate the order to show cause that had been issued to her.

Yakik Rumley – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to vacate the order to show cause that had been issued to him and to issue a new order to show cause as to why his certificates should not be revoked based on the level and nature of the conduct and crime.

Lara M. Wilson – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to vacate the order to show cause that had been issued to her.

Talita Robinson – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to deny her application for certification after revocation.

Dr. McGeehan made a motion to go into closed session in order to receive legal advice regarding reports referred to the Board by the Office of Fiscal Accountability and Compliance concerning the breach of NJ ASK test security protocols at the Robert Treat Academy Charter School and the Woodbridge Township School District, which was duly seconded by Dr. Purnell and carried by a unanimous vote. The Board went into closed session at 12:27 p.m. The Board returned to the public session at 1:18 p.m.

Theresa Adubato – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to place this matter into abeyance until such time as the Board receives additional information.

Sarah Buttino – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to place this matter into abeyance until such time as the Board receives additional information.

Michael Pallante – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to place this matter into abeyance until such time as the Board receives additional information.

Stephanie Klecan – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to place this matter into abeyance until such time as the Board receives additional information.

Dara Kurlander – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to place this matter into abeyance until such time as the Board receives additional information.

John A. Radzik – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to place this matter into abeyance until such time as the Board receives additional information.

Lisa A. Sivillo – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to place this matter into abeyance until such time as the Board receives additional information.

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

CherylN Sayles – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to accept the proposed settlement and consent order in this matter and to suspend her certificates for 6 months, effective September 1, 2013.

Melvin Cummings – Ms. Tunstall recused herself, and this matter was withdrawn from the agenda due to the lack of a quorum.

Donna Tolley – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to vacate the orders to show cause that had been issued to her.

Daniel Michielli – 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.

Sharir M. Feldman – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to deny his request to remove decisions and minutes from the Department’s website. However, the Board agreed to amend previous decisions and minutes.

David M. Murry – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to take no action to block his application for certification.

Jason A. Silverstein – By a vote of 6 to 0, the Board voted to block his application for certification based on the level and nature of the conduct and crime.

Dr. Purnell 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. The Board adopted the following orders by a unanimous vote.

Orders to Show Cause

John Carpenter  
Carl Davis  
Jason Dorrell  
Thomas Hull  
Danielle Picklo  
Elliot Ramo  
Otto Ritter, Jr.  
Robert Ruppert

Revocations/Suspensions

Brian Ammon  
Brian Corcoran  
Eugenio Morales  
Joseph Winkelried

Other

Natalia Arroyave  
Darnell Coleman  
Ana Dionisio  
Sandra Santora

**Old Business**

There was no old business.

**New Business**

There was no new business.

**Secretary's Report**

There was no secretary's report.

**Adjournment**

Ms. Tunstall 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 1:25 p.m.

The next scheduled public meeting of the State Board of Examiners will be held on Tuesday, June 25, 2013 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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