State Board of Examiners
Minutes of Meeting
200 River View Plaza
First Floor Conference Room
Trenton, New Jersey
May 17, 2019

**Present:** Ms. Rani Singh, Acting Secretary

Ms. Kathryn Duran, Deputy Attorney General

Dr. Jonathan Dauber

Mr. Derek Jess (left meeting at 11:40 am) Assistant Commissioner Robert Bumpus

Ms. Kristen Ludman

Ms. Dayna Desiderio Orlak Ms. Naomi Johnson-Lafleur

Ms. Eileen Johnson Ms. Suzana Zeitz

Dr. Mary Jane McNally

**Absent:** Ms. Thelma Ramsey

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

Dr. McNally moved to adopt the minutes of the meeting of April 12, 2019. Dr. Dauber seconded the motion. The minutes were then approved by a unanimous vote, with Ms. Ludman, Ms. Johnson and Assistant Commissioner Bumpus abstaining.

### **Individual Credentials Review**

The following applicants attended the meeting to respond to any questions from the Board regarding their applications:

Scott Lloyd Jaroslaw Nimczyk

The following applicants did not attend the meeting:

Askiaa Nash Carolyn Newdeck

#### **Stacian Roberts**

### **Credentials Review Consent List**

Dr. McNally made a motion to adopt the decisions in the following matters on the credentials review consent list, and Ms. Desiderio Orlak seconded the motion. The Board adopted the following decisions by a unanimous vote. The candidates in the following cases were present at the April 12, 2019 meeting. The Board adopted the following decision by a unanimous vote.

Michael Perez

Teacher of Technology Education - The Board denied his application for certification.

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Elizabeth Urgo (Clingham)

Teacher of Dance - The Board denied her application for certification.

### **Legal Committee Report**

There were two hearings scheduled - *The Matter of the Certificates of Dennis DeMarino* and *The Matter of the Certificates of Janeen Thomas*. Mr. DeMarino was heard at the end of the meeting, as detailed below. Ms. Thomas appeared and a hearing was held.

Following the hearings, Dr. Dauber made a motion to go into closed session in order to receive legal advice regarding matters on the Consent Order portion of the agenda, which was duly seconded by Dr. McNally and carried by a unanimous vote. The Board went into closed session at 11:12 a.m.

The Board returned to the public session at 11:26 a.m. following a motion by Dr. Dauber, seconded by Assistant Commissioner Bumpus and carried by a unanimous vote.

The Board then took the following action with regarding to items on the agenda:

Ashley Frabizzio – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to accept the proposed consent order in this matter.

Colleen MacFerren (Hillard) - By a vote of 9-0, with Ms. Ludman recusing, the Board voted to accept the proposed consent order in this matter.

Jack Sassaman – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to reject the proposed consent order in this matter.

Carol Willshire – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to reject the proposed consent order in this matter.

Rita J. Baci – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to vacate the Order to Show Cause previously issued to Ms. Baci.

Jessica R. Campbell – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to revoke Ms. Campbell's certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the conduct and crime and disqualification from public school employment.

Kerry A. Castles – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to revoke Ms. Castles certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the conduct and crime and disqualification from public school employment.

Edward C. Cruz - By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to revoke Mr. Cruz' certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the conduct.

Stephanie Espana – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to suspend Ms. Espana's certificate(s) for a period of one year based upon the level and nature of the conduct.

Gaspare Gambino - By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to revoke Mr. Gambino's certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the conduct and crime and action against out of state license.

Amalia M. Gawlikowski – By a vote of 9-0 the Board voted to suspend Ms. Gawlikowski for a period of 4 years based upon the level and nature of the conduct.

Brian E. Hohmann – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to revoke Mr. Hohmann's certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the conduct.

Martin S. Hubany – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to revoke Mr. Hubany's certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the conduct and crime and disqualification from public school employment.

Christopher J. Hutton – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to revoke Mr. Hubany's certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the conduct.

Kaitlin C. McGreevy – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to suspend Ms. McGreevy's certificate(s) for a period of 3 years based upon the level and nature of the conduct and crime.

Anthony Pomeroy – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to revoke Mr. Pomeroy's certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the conduct and action against out of state license.

Wayne H. Simcox – By a vote 9-0, the Board voted to revoke Mr. Simcox' certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the conduct and action against out of state license.

John Tezik – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to vacate the Order to Show Cause issued to Mr. Tezik.

Alan M. Abraham – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment of his certificate(s) with the force and effect of a revocation.

Michelina E. Aichele - By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment of her certificate(s) with the force and effect of a revocation.

Justin W. Bozinta - By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment of his certificate(s) with the force and effect of a revocation.

Sean Lora - By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment of his certificate(s) with the force and effect of a revocation.

Michael J. Martino - By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment of his certificate(s) with the force and effect of a revocation.

Brian Rochford - By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment of his certificate(s) with the force and effect of a revocation.

Christopher R. Shenise - By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment of his certificate(s) with the force and effect of a revocation.

Diana P. Abril – the Board removed this matter from the agenda.

Daniel L. DeJesus – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to issue an order to show cause as to why his certificate(s) should not be revoked based upon the level and nature of the conduct and crime and disqualification from public school employment.

Matthew Goetke – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to seal the record in this matter and issue an order to show cause as to why his certificate(s) should not be revoked based upon the level and nature of the conduct.

Ashley L. Grayson – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to seal the record in this matter and to issue an order to show cause as to why her certificate(s) should not be revoked based on the level and nature of the conduct.

Melissa Sibre Johnson – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to seal the record in this matter and to issue an order to show cause as to why her certificate(s) should not be revoked based upon the level and nature of the conduct and crime and disqualification from public school employment.

Megan Orlando – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to issue an Order to Show Cause as to why her certificate(s) should not be revoked based upon the level and nature of the conduct.

David Perry – By a vote of 8-0, with Ms. Johnson LaFleur recusing, the Board voted to issue an Order to Show Cause as to why his certificate(s) should not be revoked based upon the level and nature of the conduct.

Kathleen Valencia - By a vote of 8-0, with Ms. Johnson LaFleur recusing, the Board voted to issue an Order to Show Cause as to why her certificate(s) should not be revoked based upon the level and nature of the conduct.

Gerard Carroll, Jr. – this matter was removed from the agenda.

Michael D. Fleming - By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to adopt the Initial Decision of the Office of Administrative in this matter.

## **Legal Consent List**

Ms. Ludman then 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. Ms. Johnson LaFleur seconded the motion and the Board adopted the following orders by a unanimous vote:

# **Orders to Show Cause**

- a. James R. Conzelmann
- b. Thomas A. Dame
- c. Michael A. Davidson
- d. Gail Grube
- e. Anthony E. Haney
- f. Mario Macias
- g. James W. Ochse
- h. Kathryn Prol (Lederhaas)
- i. Stephanie S. Raphalides (Mason)
- j. Frank M. Scirocco
- k. Roseanne M. Simeone

## **Revocations/Suspensions**

- 1. Euguene Cimis-suspend
- m. John P. Costello-suspend
- n. Michale P. Ettz-revoke
- o. Nathaniel T. Gerson-revoke
- p. Daniel Pinkham-revoke
- q. Shelly Tucker Quintana-suspend
- r. Pedro P. Rodriguez-revoke

### Other

- s. Danielle L. Carey-block
- t. Raymond J. Rotella-adopt Initial Decision from OAL

## **Old Business**

None.

#### **New Business**

The Board entered a resolution honoring the service of Marlene Zuberman.

## Secretary's Report

Acting Secretary Singh advised the Board of the planned landscape analysis as it relates to stakeholder engagement. Mr. Jess left the meeting at 11:40 am.

# **DeMarino Hearing**

With Mr. Jess having left the meeting, and Ms. Zeitz recusing, the Board conducted the hearing in the Dennis DeMarino matter. Mr. DeMarino spoke on his behalf. Thereafter at 12:00 pm, with Ms. Johnson LaFleur moving, Ms. Desiderio Orlak seconding, by unanimous vote, the Board went into executive session to discuss legal matters concerning the DeMarino matter. At 12:16 p.m. the Board returned from executive session via motion from Dr. Dauber, seconded by Ms. Johnson LaFleur, under unanimous vote.

With Ms. Zeitz recusing, the Board voted 7-0, to suspend Mr. DeMarino for a period of two (2) years based upon the level and nature of the conduct.

# Adjournment

Ms. Johnson LaFleur made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was duly seconded by Dr. Dauber and carried by a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 12:19 p.m.

The next scheduled regular public meeting of the State Board of Examiners will be held on June 28, 2019 in the first floor conference room, 200 River View Plaza, Trenton, New Jersey.

Minutes prepared by Kimberly A. Gatti

Minutes certified by Rani Singh, Acting Secretary

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