

**State Board of Examiners
Minutes of Meeting
200 River View Plaza
First Floor Conference Room
Trenton, New Jersey
September 21, 2018**

Present: Dr. Robert Higgins, Secretary
Ms. Caroline Jones, Deputy Attorney General
Dr. Jonathan Dauber
Dr. Mary Jane McNally
Ms. Kristen Ludman
Ms. Fidelia Sturdivant
Ms. Eileen Johnson
Ms. Naomi Johnson-Lafleur
Ms. Dayna Desiderio Orlak

Absent: Mr. Derek Jess
Assistant Commissioner Robert Bumpus

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Dauber, 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 June 29, 2018. Ms. Johnson-LaFleur seconded the motion. The minutes were then approved by a unanimous vote, with Ms. Desiderio Orlak abstaining.

Individual Credentials Review

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

Dominique Chiu
Catherine Copeland
David Hunscher
Elyse Smith
Augusto Suarez
Anthony Verdoni

The following applicants did not attend the meeting:

Rukiah Alwan
Gina Petrozelli
Bernadette Marques Pinto

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. Ludman seconded the motion. The Board adopted the following decisions by a unanimous vote with Ms. Desiderio Orlak abstaining. The candidates in the following cases were present at the September 21, 2018 meeting.

Jennifer Dean	Teacher of Students with Disabilities - The Board denied her application for certification.
Maria Gonzalez-Najera	Teacher of Spanish Certificate of Eligibility - The Board denied her application for certification, but gave her partial credit for 15 of the 30 required semester –hour credits (non-advanced level) in Spanish.
Nicole Hernandez:	Teacher of English - The Board denied her application for certification.
Sara Howell	Teacher of Elementary School and Teacher of Students with Disabilities Certificates of Eligibility with Advanced Standing - The Board denied her application for certification.
Alyson Monaco	Teacher of Career and Technical Education: Dance Certificate of Eligibility - The Board denied her application for certification.

Tanya Nalesnik

School Administrator Certificate of Eligibility - The Board denied her application for certification, but granted partial credit for five years of successful educational experience in a public, nonpublic or higher education setting.

Dr. McNally made a motion that the Board adopt the decisions in the following matters on the credentials review consent list, and Ms. Ludman seconded the motion. The candidates in the following cases were not present at the September 21, 2018 meeting. The Board adopted the following decisions by a unanimous vote.

Erin Adasczik

Teacher of Career and Technical Education: Culinary Arts – Upon reconsideration, the Board granted her application for certification.

Kristy McFarlane

Supervisor – The Board approved the edits to her its original decision.

Legal Consent List

Due to anticipated loss of quorum later in the meeting, the Board began the legal portion of the agenda with the Legal Consent List decisions. Ms. Johnson-Lafleur made a motion that the Board adopt the following matters that were on the legal consent list (except e), memorializing the Board’s legal decisions from a previous meeting. Ms. Ludman seconded the motion and the Board adopted the following orders by a unanimous vote:

Orders to Show Cause

- a. Rita Jean Baci
- b. Kesnold T. Baptiste
- c. Jonathan W. Bradley
- d. Joel S. Chesler
- e. Jason Eitner
- f. Evan Fuchs
- g. Deanna L. Gatani
- h. Brian E. Hohmann
- i. Peter C. Iappelli
- j. James Janakat
- k. Hanadie Khorchid
- l. Robert Lawless
- m. Scott E. Lodgek
- n. Sean Lora
- o. Andrew Monath
- p. Douglas T. Mormello, Jr.
- q. Joseph G. Nappa
- r. Anthony Pomeroy

- s. Raquel Romero

Revocations/Suspensions

- t. Brian R. Budd-revoke
- u. Glenn Ciripompa - revoke
- v. Sherry D. Frazier-revoke

Other

- w. John Carlomagno-adopt Initial Decision-revoke
- x. Errol A. Jamieson-block

With Ms. Ludman recusing, Ms. Johnson LaFluer made a motion to adopt the legal decision in e. Jason Eitner, which was excluded from the prior vote above. Dr. McNally seconded the motion, and it passed by a unanimous vote, with Ms. Ludman's recusal.

The Board then entertained a motion honoring retiring Board administrator Judith Cifone. The motion was made by Dr. Dauber, seconded by Ms. Ludman and passed by unanimous vote. The Board remained on the record and enjoyed some cake with Ms. Cifone.

Ms. Ludman then made a motion in the matter of Andrew Hernandez. With Ms. Johnson Lafluer seconding the motion, and Dr. Dauber recusing, the Board voted to issue an Order to Show Cause to Mr. Hernandez as to why his certificate(s) should not be revoked based on the level and nature of the conduct.

Legal Committee Report

There were no hearings scheduled. Ms. Ludman 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 Ms. Johnson-LaFleur and carried by a unanimous vote. The Board went into closed session at 11:40 a.m. Ms. Johnson-LaFluer left the meeting during executive session at 12:05 pm.

The Board returned to the public session at 12:58 p.m. following a motion by Ms. Ludman, seconded by Ms. Desiderio Orlak and carried by a unanimous vote.

The Board then took the following action with regarding to items on the Consent Order portion of the agenda:

Nicholas Anagnostos - By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to reject the proposed consent order in this matter.

Antonio J. Cardinale – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to accept the proposed consent order in this matter and suspend Mr. Cardinale for a period of 6 years.

Jennifer Greco – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to reject the proposed consent order in this matter.

Adrian A. McConney – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to reject the proposed consent order in this matter.

Gnanaseharan Selliah – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to accept the proposed consent order in this matter.

Ryan Tirrell - By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to reject the proposed consent order in this matter.

George Turner – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to accept the consent order correcting the order to show cause previously issue. The Board also voted to reject the proposed settlement in this matter.

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

Karen A. Bobb – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to seal the record in this matter and to revoke Ms. Bobb’s certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the conduct and crime, and her disqualification from public school employment.

Freddie L. Henry – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to revoke Mr. Henry’s certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the conduct and crime and his disqualification from public school employment.

Dominick F. Novella, Jr. - By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to revoke Mr. Novella’s certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the conduct and crime and forfeiture or public employment.

Brigitte Geiger – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to vacate the previously issued Order to Show Cause.

Sharon Jones - By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to vacate the previously issued Order to Show Cause.

Marc S. Marinoff – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment of his certificate(s) with the force and effect of a revocation.

Francisco T. Pereira – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment of his certificate(s) with the force and effect of a revocation.

Robert Seda-Schreiber - By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to reject the relinquishment of his certificate(s) with the force and effect of a revocation.

Jessica R. Campbell – By a vote of 6-0, 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 and crime and disqualification from public school employment.

Roberto G. Campoverde – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to seal the record in this matter and issue an order to show cause for a suspension pending the outcome of the underlying criminal charges.

Kerry A. Castles – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to seal the record in this matter and 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 and crime and her disqualification from public school employment.

Donald F. Cesaretti – By a vote of 6-0, 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.

Lisa Davenport – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to seal the record in this matter and 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 action against out of state license(s).

Ryan P. Flaherty – By a vote of 6-0, 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.

Amalia Gawlikowski - By a vote of 6-0, 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.

Nathaniel T. Gerson – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to issue an Order to Show Cause to Mr. Gerson as to why his certificate(s) should not be revoked based upon the level and nature of the conduct.

David C. Heyman – The Board tabled this matter.

Kaitlin C. McGreevy - By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to issue an Order to Show Cause to Ms. McGreevy as to why his certificate(s) should not be suspended based upon the level and nature of the conduct and crime.

Donna M. Moll – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to issue an Order to Show Cause to Ms. Moll as to why her certificate(s) should not be revoked based upon the level and nature of the conduct.

Jonathan A. Moll – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to issue an Order to Show Cause to Mr. Moll as to why his certificate(s) should not be revoked based upon the level and nature of the conduct.

Vanessa A. Morrison – By a vote of 6-0, 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 and crime.

Jamie J. Patterson – The Board tabled this matter.

Daniel J. Pinkham – By a vote of 6-0, 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 and crime and disqualification from public school employment.

Lizandra I. Rios – By a vote of 6-0, 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.

Meghan A. Smith – By a vote of 6-0, 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 and crime and disqualification from public school employment.

Shelly Tucker Quintana – By a vote of 6-0, 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 suspended based upon the level and nature of conduct and crime and action against out of state license.

Natalie G. Zeballos – By a vote of 6-0, 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 and crime and disqualification from public school employment.

Ning Chi – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to vacate the Order to Show Cause previously issued to Ms. Chi.

Michael Leibowitz - By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to adopt the Initial Decision of the Office of Administrative Law in this matter and modify the penalty to a 9 month suspension.

Dennis R. Thomas – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to retain the case from OAL.

Joseph D'Alessio – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to vacate the previously issued Order to Show Cause and tabled as to reissuance of an order to show cause.

Brittany E. Coppola – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to block the application for certification in this matter.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Ms. Sturdivant announced her retirement.

Secretary's Report

None.

Adjournment

Ms. Desiderio Orlake made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was duly seconded by Ms. Ludman and carried by a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 1:13 p.m.

The next scheduled regular public meeting of the State Board of Examiners will be held on November 1, 2018 in the first floor conference room, 200 River View Plaza, Trenton, New Jersey.

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Minutes certified by Robert R. Higgins, Secretary