

**State Board of Examiners
Minutes of Meeting
200 River View Plaza
First Floor Conference Room
Trenton, New Jersey
May 14, 2020**

Present: Ms. Aimee Blenner, Deputy Attorney General
Ms. Rani Singh, Secretary
Mr. Derek Jess
Ms. Thelma Ramsey
Dr. Eileen Johnson
Assistant Commissioner AbdulSaleem Hasan
Dr. Mary Jane McNally
Ms. Suzana Zeitz
Ms. Dayna Desiderio Orlak
Ms. Kristen Ludman

Absent: Dr. Jonathan Dauber
Ms. Naomi Johnson-Lafleur

DUE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS AT THE TIME, THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIRTUALLY VIA SKYPE.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Derek Jess, Acting Chairperson, who read the appropriate notice that the meeting complied with the Open Public Meetings Act. He also read notice provisions regarding access to the virtual meeting.

Dr. McNally moved to adopt the minutes of the meeting of February 28, 2020. Ms. Desiderio Orlak seconded the motion. The minutes were then approved by a unanimous vote.

Individual Credentials Review

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

Marta Audino
Jose Daben
Steven Fiedeldej
Ashley Huggins
Allysa Konecny
Nermin Messiha
Nicholas Schultz
Suzanne Wong

The Board had no questions for any applicant. Applicant Michele Columbo was on the agenda and not present.

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 roll call vote. The candidates in the following cases were present at the February 28, 2020 meeting. The Board adopted the following decisions:

Shira Lieberman	Principal Certificate - The Board denied her application.
Stephen Miller	Teacher of Commercial Photography – the Board granted the application.

Legal Committee Report

There were no hearings on the agenda.

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 Dr. McNally and carried by a unanimous vote. The Board went into closed session at 10:45 am.

The Board returned to the public session following a motion by Ms. Ludman, seconded by Ms. Zeitz and carried by a unanimous vote. The Board returned to the public portion of the meeting at 11:34 am.

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

David Achinstein - By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to reject the proposed consent order in this matter.

Christine Fasanella - By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to reject the proposed consent order in this matter.

Ebrahim Haddad – By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to accept the proposed consent order in this matter.

David Heyman - By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to accept the proposed consent order in this matter.

James Janakat - By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to accept the proposed consent order in this matter.

Felicia Kenny - By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to accept the proposed consent order in this matter.

Anthony Lentine, Jr. - By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to accept the proposed consent order in this matter.

Tamla L. Doss –By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to revoke Ms. Doss 'certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the conduct and crime and disqualification from public school employment.

Ryan P. Flaherty – By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to suspend Mr. Flaherty's certificates for a period of one (1) year due to the level and nature of the conduct.

Major L. Finklin - By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment with the force and effect of revocation.

John P. Kowalcyk - By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment with the force and effect of revocation.

Zachary Long - By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment with the force and effect of revocation.

Christopher Schraufnagel - By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment with the force and effect of revocation.

Jacqueline P. Taylor - By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment with the force and effect of revocation.

Michael J. Voza - By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment with the force and effect of revocation.

Sharonda Allen – By a vote of 6-0, with Assistant Commissioner Hasan and Ms. Ramsey 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.

Rodney Beaver – By a vote of 6-0, with Assistant Commissioner Hasan and Ms. Ramsey 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.

David Broach – By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to seal the record in this matter and 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.

Courtney Bullen – By a vote of 8-0, 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.

Garrett J. Cunningham – By a vote of 8-0, 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 action against out of state license(s).

John D. Foerster – By a vote of 8-0, 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 action against out of state licenses.

Alexander Gonzalez - By a vote of 8-0, 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 action against out of state license(s).

Davina M. Levari - By a vote of 8-0, 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.

Jasmin Rivera - By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to take no action to block the application.

Lesley A. Etheridge – By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to adopt the Initial Decision from the Office of Administrative Law.

Rita Seipp - By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to adopt the Initial Decision from the Office of Administrative Law.

Kevin Harriman – By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to deny the application for certification after revocation.

Demetrick Williams – By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to grant the application for certification after revocation.

Shawn D. Cier – By a vote of 8-0, 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.

Legal Consent List

Ms. Ludman then made a motion to adopt items a-aa on the consent list below. Ms. Johnson seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Orders to Show Cause

- a. Joseph D. Armstead
- b. Edward Clarke
- c. Cassandra L. Claycomb
- d. Michael D. Hogan
- e. Brett D. Holeman
- f. Hector Montes
- g. Jodi Myers (Lisgar)
- h. Dawn C. Norcross
- i. Kimberly Pinkham
- j. Amanda R. Richardson
- k. Jean Claude Santini
- l. Keilan J. Scott
- m. Sally A. Thompson
- n. Christin A. Williamson (Michell)
- o. Rosetta A. Wilson
- p. Jamie Yourman
- q. Elshaimaa M. Youssef

Revocations/Suspensions

- r. Karen F. Ball - revoke
- s. Catherine M. Bannister – suspend pending
- t. Daniel L. DeJesus - revocation
- u. Melody Giovannetti - revocation
- v. Robert Goodlin - revocation
- w. Anthony Haney – revocation
- x. Anisa Johnson – revocation
- y. Christopher Juneau – revocation
- z. William J. O’Neill – suspend pending
- aa. Marcelle Williams – suspend pending

Old Business

None.

New Business

Kimberly A. Gatti, Coordinator for the Board, thanked the Board for flexibility during the virtual meeting.

Secretary's Report

The Secretary provided the Board with information on the recent waiver of EdTPA requirements considering the current public health crisis.

Adjournment

Ms. Desiderio Orlak made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was duly seconded by Assistant Commissioner Hasan and carried by a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 11:53 A.m.

The next scheduled regular public meeting of the State Board of Examiners will be held on June 26, 2020 either in the first-floor conference room, 200 River View Plaza, Trenton, New Jersey or virtually via Skype.

Minutes prepared by Kimberly A. Gatti

Minutes certified by Rani Singh, Secretary