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**State Board of Examiners
Minutes of Meeting
200 River View Plaza
First Floor Conference Room
Trenton, New Jersey
December 10, 2020**

Present: Ms. Aimee Blenner, Deputy Attorney General
Ms. Rani Singh, Secretary
Mr. Derek Jess
Ms. Thelma Ramsey
Dr. Mary Jane McNally
Ms. Suzana Zeitz
Ms. Dayna Desiderio Orlak
Ms. Kristen Ludman
Dr. Jonathan Dauber
Mr. Abdul Saleem Hasan
Ms. Melissa Pearce

Absent: None

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.

The Board installed two new members and DAG Aimee Blenner administered the Oath to AbdulSaleem Hasan and Melissa Pearce who then took their positions as members of the State Board of Examiners.

Dr. Dauber moved to adopt the minutes of the meeting of October 29, 2020. Ms. Ramsey seconded the motion. The minutes were then approved by a unanimous vote with Mr. Hasan and Ms. Pearce abstaining.

Individual Credentials Review

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

Samuel Casquiera
Susan D'Agostino
Mathias J. Koller
Kristen Meagher
Ryan Ritter
Joseph Romano

The Board had a question for Mr. Casquiera. He responded to the inquiry regarding his post baccalaureate program. Additionally, an administrator from his current employer wished to speak about Mr. Casquiera's credentials application. She was permitted the opportunity to make a statement.

The Board had a question for Mr. Romano regarding his coaching experience, for which he provided a response. The Board also asked Mr. Koller a question regarding his passage of a Praxis exam.

Ms. LaTajah Hopkins was not present, and the Board did not have a question for her.

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 with Mr. Hasan and Ms. Pearce abstaining. The candidates in the following cases were present at the October 29, 2020 meeting. The Board adopted the following decisions:

Catherine Bladt	Standard School Counselor Certificate - The Board granted her application.
Liza Calache	Standard Teacher of Physical Science and Teacher of Chemistry Certificates – The Board denied her application.
Robyn DeSantis	Standard School Social Worker Certificate – The Board denied her application.
Jenny Deuel	School Business Administrator Certificate of Eligibility - The Board denied her application.
Anila Eugene	Non-Citizen Teacher of Chemistry Renewal Certificate – The Board granted the application.

Cierra Green	Supervisor Certificate - The Board denied her application.
Rebecca Jones	Teacher of Health and Physical Education Certificate of Eligibility – The Board granted in part and denied in part.
Lauren Kaiser	Teacher of Art Certificate of Eligibility - The Board granted her application.
Susanne Mancheno	Teacher of Bilingual-Bicultural Certificate – The Board denied her application.
Mary McDermott	Standard School Nurse Non-Instructional Certificate – The Board granted in part and denied in part.
Naomi Rosenthal	Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant – The Board granted in part and denied in part.
Michael Saint Joseph	Teacher of Health Occupations Certificate – The Board denied his application.

Dr. McNally made a motion to adopt the decision in the following matter on the credentials review consent list, and Ms. Desiderio Orlak seconded the motion. The Board adopted the following decision by a unanimous roll call vote with Mr. Hasan and Ms. Pearce abstaining. The candidate in the following case was not present at the October 29, 2020 meeting. The Board adopted the following decision:

Joshuah McAllister-Carlani	Teacher of Elementary Education K-6, Teacher of English, and Teacher of Students with Disabilities Certificates of Eligibility with Advanced Standing - The Board denied his applications.
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Legal Committee Report

There were no hearings on the agenda.

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 10:58 am.

The Board returned to the public session following a motion by Ms. Desiderio Orlak, seconded by Dr. McNally and carried by a unanimous vote. The Board returned to the public portion of the meeting.

The Board then voted to amend the agenda to add the matter of Stephanie Raphalides. It then took the following action with regarding items on the agenda:

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

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

Sonia Nunez – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to reject the proposed consent orders in this matter.

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

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

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

Edward J. Bonek, Jr. - By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment with the force and effect of revocation.

William J. O'Neill - By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment with the force and effect of revocation.

Eric J. Pieklo – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment with the force and effect of revocation.

Howard B. Sidorsky – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment with the force and effect of revocation.

Bruce Bassetti - 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.

Frank Fuzy III – 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.

Angel Fuentes Pesquera – 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 his certificate(s) should not be revoked based upon the level and nature of the conduct.

Al Jefferson - By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to seal the record in this matter and 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. Ms. Ramsey and Mr. Hasan recused.

Taylor Kemp - 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.

Jennifer McClean - 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.

Jean Sagredo (Johnson) – 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.

Laura Yacono – 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 and crime and disqualification from public school employment.

Rita O’Malley – By a vote of 8-0, the Board voted to adopt the factual findings in the initial decision and to modify the penalty to revocation. Ms. Zeitz recused.

Shannon LaMaster – By a vote of 9-0, the Board voted to vacate the original order to show cause and to issue a new and revised Order to Show Cause for revocation based upon the level and nature of conduct.

Legal Consent List

Ms. Ludman then made a motion to adopt items a-o on the consent list below. Dr. Dauber seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with Ms. Pearce abstaining.

Orders to Show Cause

- a. Timothy J. Carey
- b. Katie D. Davenport (Loane)
- c. Sean M. DiGiovanna
- d. Jacqueline Kelly
- e. Gaeton C. Lucibello
- f. Brie Marks

Revocations/Suspensions

- g. Shawn D. Cier – revoke
- h. Keith T. Hampton – revoke
- i. Barbara L. Moazamian - dismiss
- j. Aleisha Morosco – revoke
- k. Thomas D. Williams – revoke
- l. Brittany M. Witkoswki - revoke

Other

- m. Joseph Armstead
- n. Kevin Harriman
- o. Seth Horowitz

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

Secretary's Report

None.

Adjournment

Dr. Dauber 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 12:05 pm.

The next scheduled regular public meeting of the State Board of Examiners will be held on January 22, 2021 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