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**State Board of Examiners
Minutes of Meeting
200 River View Plaza
First Floor Conference Room
Trenton, New Jersey
June 25, 2021**

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

Absent: Dr. Jonathan Dauber

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 May 13, 2021. Ms. Ludman 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:

Dave Bartlett

Elijah Brambilla
Jillian Cruoglio
Lauren Gunther Roesch
Bianca Hackbarth
Ryan Hoolahan
Tyneisha Reevey
Steven Styles
Carmela Triglia

The Board had no questions for any of the present candidates. Lisa Elmo and Diane Lemma were not present, and the Board did not have a question for them.

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. 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 May 13, 2021 meeting. The Board adopted the following decisions:

Brittany Gregory	Supervisor Certificate- The Board denied her application.
Matthew Mawn	Principal Certificate of Eligibility (CE) – The Board granted his application.
Katelyn Passafaro	Reading Specialist Endorsement – The Board partially granted her application as to the required credits in the diagnosis of reading problems and denied it as to the remaining credits in the correction of reading problems and a supervised practicum in reading.
Laura Ramp	Standard Teacher of Elementary Grades K-6 Certificate – the Board denied her application.
Edward Ruggieri	Teacher of Graphic Design Certificate of Eligibility (CE) – the Board granted his application.

Dr. McNally made a motion to adopt the decision in the following matter on the credentials review consent list, and Ms. Orlak seconded the motion. The Board adopted the following decision by a unanimous roll call vote. The candidate in the following cases were not present at the May 13, 2021 meeting. The Board adopted the following decisions:

Tammy Doster-Read	School Social Worker Certificate – The Board partially granted her application as to the three credits in social policy and public welfare services
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and denied it as to the remaining areas of deficiency.

Kimberly Wyluda

Supervisor certificate – The Board denied her application.

Amanda Soll

Teacher of Students with Disabilities CEAS and Teacher of Elementary Grades K-6 CEAS – The Board corrected the decision from a prior meeting, denying the applications.

Legal Committee Report

There were two (2) hearings on the agenda. The first hearing was *IMO Certificates of Bruce Bassetti*. Mr. Bassetti appeared with his counsel and made a presentation to the Board.

The second hearing was *IMO the Certificates of Brett D. Holeman*. Mr. Holeman appeared with his legal counsel. Both Mr. Holeman and his counsel made statements to the Board.

Ms. Ludman then 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. Orlak and carried by a unanimous vote. The Board went into closed session at 11:10 am.

The Board returned to the public session following a motion by Ms. Ludman, seconded by Mr. Hasan and carried by a unanimous vote. The Board returned to the public portion of the meeting at 11:50 am. Mr. Jess left the meeting at approximately 11:45 am during executive session.

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

Andrea Giuffrida – By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to accept the proposed consent order in this matter.

April A. Lowery – By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to accept the proposed consent order in this matter.

Douglas Mormello – By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to remove this matter from the agenda.

Darryl Owens - By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to reject the proposed consent order in this matter.

John Podesta - By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to reject the proposed consent order in this matter.

Kathryn Prol - By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to accept the proposed consent order in this matter.

Sally Thompson - By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to reject the proposed consent order in this matter.

Jeffrey Caffee – By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment with the force and effect of revocation.

Katherine I. Malone – By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to suspend Ms. Malone’s certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the underlying conduct and action against out of state license(s).

Jennifer McClean - By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to revoke Ms. McClean’s certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the conduct.

Raquel Romero – By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to revoke Ms. Romero’s certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the conduct and crime and disqualification from public school employment.

Jean Segredo – By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to transmit the matter to the Office of Administrative Law.

Victoria E. Sterling-Scales – By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to revoke Ms. Sterling-Scales’ certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the conduct and crime and disqualification from public school employment.

Laura Yacono - By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to revoke Ms. Yacono’s certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the conduct and crime and disqualification from public school employment.

Joseph Armstead - By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to transmit the matter to the Office of Administrative Law.

Carlos Rodriguez – By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to table this matter.

Nicholas DiPasquale - By a vote of 7-0, 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.

Jesse Lerch - By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to issue an order to show cause as to why his certificate(s) should not be suspended based upon the level and nature of the conduct and action against out of state license(s).

Luke Maginnis - By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to issue an order to show cause as to why his certificate(s) should not be suspended based upon the level and nature of the conduct.

Jared L. Moscovitz – By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to table the matter.

Michael A. Curran – By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment with the force and effect of revocation.

Michael Pizzulli – By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment with the force and effect of revocation.

Jinwoo Seong - By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to vacate the prior Order to Show Cause and to issue a new Order to Show Cause for revocation based upon the level and nature of the conduct and action against out of state license(s).

Richard Deckert - By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to grant the application for certification after revocation.

Michael S. Pawlowski – By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to grant the application for certification after revocation.

Peter Kurinzi – By a vote of 7-0, the Board voted to block the application.

Elizabeth Sheehy – By a vote of 7-0, the Board vote to adopt the Initial Decision, modifying the penalty to a 6-month suspension, served from October 29, 2020 to April 27, 2021.

Legal Consent List

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

Orders to Show Cause

- a. Timothy G. Egan
- b. Thomas Fien
- c. Marisa D’Ambola-Gompertz
- d. Romie Lane Doss
- e. Kelly Howley
- f. Grace L. Jones
- g. Richard Leonard
- h. Nicole Maffucci
- i. Jill Maria (Mason)
- j. Jesmarie Soto
- k. Antoniette Terlizzi
- l. Jerel H. Wolfe

Revocations/Suspensions

- m. Jacqueline M. Kelly – revocation

- n. Brie Marks – revocation
- o. Kimberley Peschi – suspension

Other

- p. Inez Bradley – block
- q. Nicole Maffucci – block
- r. Joshua L. Rosenbaum – deny motion
- s. Augustine Ankomah – adopted initial decision OAL

Old Business

None.

New Business

The Board’s staff thanked teachers and administrators for a successful and challenging school year during the public health emergency.

Secretary’s Report

None.

Adjournment

Ms. Ludman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was duly seconded by Dr. McNally and carried by a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 12:03 pm.

The next scheduled regular public meeting of the State Board of Examiners will be held on July 30, 2021 either in the first-floor conference room, 200 River View Plaza, Trenton, New Jersey or virtually via Microsoft Teams.

Minutes prepared by Kimberly A. Gatti

Minutes certified by Rani Singh, Secretary