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# State Board of Examiners Minutes of Meeting VIRTUALLY VIA MS TEAMS September 16, 2022

**Present:** Laurie Fichera, Deputy Attorney General

Ms. Thelma Ramsey Dr. Jonathan Dauber Dr. Mary Jane McNally Ms. Melissa Pearce Mr. Abdul Saleem Hasan

Ms. Kristen Ludman

**Absent:** Mr. Derek Jess

Ms. Dayna Desiderio Orlak Ms. Rani Singh, Secretary

## THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIRTUALLY VIA MS TEAMS.

This meeting was duly noticed pursuant to the requirements of law. In compliance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-10a, the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting was given by way of notice filed with the Secretary of State, and publication in Trenton Times and Star Ledger in New Jersey. Notice of the virtual access information was provided online on the Department's website, via memorandum to the Secretary of State and several other individuals and entities and is available at the physical conference room where the meeting has been conducted prior to the public health crisis.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Jonathan Dauber, 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.

Ms. Ludman moved to adopt the minutes of the meeting of August 5, 2022 (Regular and Executive Session). Dr. McNally seconded the motion. The minutes were then approved by a unanimous vote.

## **Individual Credentials Review Presentations**

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

Jackleen Alvarado Andrew Brandon Samar Fontan Silvia Fragale Jannet Jang Anne Marsac

The Board had a question for Mr. Brandon regarding the grade levels he is responsible for; Mr. Brandon provided a response. The Board also had a question for Ms. Jang regarding her application for a New York principal certificate; Ms. Jang provided a response.

Joon Lee and Andrea Tate had applications considered by the Board but were 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 Mr. Hasan 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 August 5, 2022 meeting. The Board adopted the following decisions:

Matthew Arcure	Teacher of English Certificate of Eligibility - The Board partially granted
	as to four semester-hour credits in English, with two at the advanced level,

and denied as to the remaining eight semester-hour credits in English.

Natalia Sisti Cappello Supervisor certificate - The Board denied the application.

John Cash, Jr. Renewal of a Provisional Teacher of Computer Science Technology

certificate. The Board denied the application.

Erika Graham Standard Teacher of Elementary School with Subject Matter

Specialization: Mathematics Grades 5-8 certificate. The Board granted the

application.

Daniel Loesch Teacher of Law Enforcement Certificate of Eligibility. The Board granted

the application with the condition that he complete the require

examination in physiology, hygiene, and substance abuse issues prior to

issuance of the certificate.

Zoraida Lorenzo Relaxation of the 60-day filing requirement. The Board denied the

application.

Kaitlyn Malsky Teacher of English as a Second Language Certificate of Eligibility. The

Board denied the application.

Peter Ottaviano Supervisor certificate. The Board partially granted as to the three

graduate-level credits in curriculum design and development and partially denied as to the three graduate-level credits in general principles of curriculum design and development for preschool through grade 12.

Deena Parr Teacher of Elementary School with Subject Matter Specialization:

Mathematics Grades 5-8 certificate. The Board granted the application.

Lisa Rawlings Standard School Counselor certificate. The Board partially granted as to

the 6-credit supervised counseling practicum in a preschool through grade 12 school setting and partially denied as to the three semester-hour credits in community agencies, organizations and resources granted the certificate.

Joseph Reel Principal Certificate of Eligibility. The Board denied the application.

Ashleigh Whitmore Principal Certificate of Eligibility. The Board denied the application.

Dr. McNally then made a motion to adopt the decision in the following matter on the credentials review consent list, and Mr. Hasan seconded the motion. The Board adopted the following decision by a unanimous roll call vote. The candidate in the following cases was not present at the August 5, 2022 meeting:

Nicola Myrie-Cureton Learning Disabilities Teacher-Consultant (LDT-C) certificate – The Board denied the application.

# **Legal Committee Report**

There were no hearings on the agenda. Ms. Ludman made a motion to go into closed session to receive legal advice regarding matters on the Consent Order portion of the agenda, which was duly seconded by Mr. Hasan and carried by a unanimous vote. The Board went into closed session at 10:46 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 11:16 am.

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

Gina Cinotti – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to take no action.

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

Jorge O. Colon – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to revoke Mr. Colon's educator certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the underlying conduct and action against out of state license(s).

Michael V. Pilate - By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to revoke Mr. Pilate's educator certificate(s) based upon the level and nature of the conduct and crime and disqualification from public school employment.

Amy Czop-Bartley - 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 action against out of state license(s).

Gary Dominicus - 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 his certificate(s) should not be revoked based upon the level and nature of the conduct and crime.

Gayle M. Hadley - 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 forfeiture of public-school employment.

Sean I. Huggins - 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.

Toni A. Mussara - By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to seal the record in this matter and to take no further action regarding same.

Hansel Perez – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to seal the record in this matter and then 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. The Board also vote to block the pending application.

Nicole S. Reid-Dookie - 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.

Dawn E. Stadler - By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted seal the record in this matter and to take no action.

Christopher E. Pond – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to vacate the prior Order to Show Cause and issue another Order to Show Cause as to why his certificate(s) should not be revoked based upon the level and nature of conduct and crime.

Gaeton C. Lucibello - By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to remand the matter back to the Office of Administrative Law.

Theresa Guerriere – Due to recusal of a Board member, the Board did not have a quorum to consider this matter.

Joshua J. Eckersley – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment of certificate(s) with the force and effect of revocation.

Eric A. Nelsen - By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment of certificate(s) with the force and effect of revocation.

Harry O. Wyatt - By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to accept the relinquishment of certificate(s) with the force and effect of revocation.

Michael D'Alessio – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to deny the motion to stay.

Kelly Ann Howley – By a vote of 6-0, the Board voted to retain the case on failure to appear at the Office of Administrative Law.

# **Legal Consent List**

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

# **Orders to Show Cause**

- a. Lauren Andersen (Hill)
- b. Gustavo A. Barrientos
- c. Brendan J. Dunne

- d. Yolande M. Jean-Pierre
- e. Christina L. Owens
- f. Briel Peters
- g. Scott P. Silvis
- h. Lenny Washington

# **Revocations/Suspensions**

- i. Frank Fuzy III suspension
- j. Scott Levy suspension

# Other

k. Jonathan Coniglio – adoption initial decision (dismissal)

## **Old Business**

None.

## **New Business**

None.

## Secretary's Report

None.

## Adjournment

Ms. Ramsey made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was duly seconded by Mr. Hasan and carried by a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 11:29 am.

The next scheduled regular public meeting of the State Board of Examiners will be held on October 28, 2022 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