

**CERTIFIED PSYCHOANALYSTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
124 HALSEY STREET, NEWARK NJ 07101
SUSSEX CONFERENCE ROOM, 6 FLOOR TH
WEDNESDAY JUNE 27, 2007
OPEN SESSION MINUTES**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair, Patricia Harte Bratt, called the meeting of the Certified Psychoanalysts Advisory Committee to order at 10:05 a.m. Dr. Bratt announced that in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was sent to the Secretary of State, The Star Ledger, The Trenton Times, The Bergen Record, The Courier Post and The Atlantic City Press.

II. ROLL CALL

Present

Patricia Harte Bratt, Ph.D., Chair
Vicki G. Semel, Psy.D.
Jerome J. Rosenberg, Ph.D., Vice-Chair
Delores Johnson, M.D. (Public Member)

Absent

Marien Tartak Colon (Public Member)

Announcement of Quorum

Dr. Bratt announced that a quorum of all appointed Committee members was present.

Also Attending

Michelle Weiner, Deputy Attorney General
Elaine L. DeMars, Managing Executive Director
J. Michael Walker, Executive Director
Chuck Manning, Regulatory Analyst
Lucy Chalet, Administrative Staff

III. REVIEW OF MINUTES

1- Upon motion made by Dr. Vicki Semel and seconded by Dr. Delores Johnson the Committee members voted to approve the Minutes from April 4, 2007 open public meeting, as corrected.

At 10:20 a.m. the Committee moved to executive session to consider the executive session minutes of April 4, 2007. At 10:45 a.m. the Committee returned to open session.

IV. INFORMATION GATHERING PROCESS

The Committee continued the information gathering process in listening to invited guests. Conference with Nathan Stockhamer, Ph.D., President of the Board and Sheila Hafter Gray, M.D., Secretary, the Accreditation Council for Psychoanalytic Education, Inc.

The Accreditation Council for Psychoanalytic Education, Inc. (ACPE) was formed as a separate, independent and autonomous accrediting agency for psychoanalytic education. It developed out of the Psychoanalytic Consortium,

a collective of four psychoanalytic associations in the U.S. (Division 39 of the American Psychological Association, The American Psychoanalytic Association, the American Association of Psychoanalysis in Clinical Social Work and the American Academy of Psychoanalysis and Dynamic Psychiatry). The Consortium elected to administer the creation of a totally independent board and the ACPE was formed in the 1990s.

The Board is self-perpetuating. It seeks to maintain a balance assuring representation from the original groups. The Board is comprised of twelve professional members and two public members. One public member slot is vacant at the present time.

The cornerstone of the accreditation process is the self-study document, which feeds the team involved in the site visit so that it knows what to question and where to make suggestions. The progress has been slow. Most of the time has been spent refining the instruments and making the process known to the psychoanalytic community. To date, there have been three submissions. The Council has acted positively upon two of them, the New York University Post-doctoral Program for Psychoanalysis and Psychotherapy and the New York Society for Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy. The third was deferred for continuing organizational development.

Candidates in institutes are ordinarily required to have a core mental health profession license before entering psychoanalytic training. There is a provision that allows institutes to accept individuals who have no mental health background for psychoanalytic training, with only the requirement that at the time of graduation, their competence in psychoanalysis should be equal to that of their classmates who have come from other mental health professions.

The concern is to maintain the quality of psychoanalysis, no matter what the background of the individual may be. Those outside the mental health professions bring a richness to the profession that was not present before. There is a recognition of the new trend in psychoanalysis becoming an independent profession and that is already captured in the Council's standards.

Three-hundred fifty hours of coursework (classroom contact) is required of candidates. The completion of the coursework ordinarily requires about four to five years, if done on a fulltime basis. With regard to the frequency of analysis during the candidates' psychoanalytic education, core standards dictate three times per week. This was developed after a lot of discussion and negotiation. Dr. Gray felt that if the Council encountered an institute that had an historical tradition of twice a week, they would not necessarily dismiss them from consideration for accreditation, but would have to take it under serious advisement. She stated that the goal is not the aggregate of hours, but the experience of the individual over time. The Council would support an institute that was self-determining in terms of the theoretical approach to frequency. If it had a tradition of practicing in that way, ACPE would most likely support an application. They felt that licensing would be appropriate for those not licensed in other mental health professions.

V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- 1- Budget Report- Fiscal Year Budget Report for the Third quarter of the year 2007 was accepted as informational.
- 2- Report to the Certified Psychoanalysts Advisory Committee for Legislative Affairs for the first quarter of 2007, was accepted as informational.
- 3- Memo from June Levy, Assistant Director, regarding submitting payment vouchers, was accepted as informational.

VI. MEETING DATES FOR 2007

- 09/19/2007- Sussex Conference Room 6 FL th
- 10/17/2007- Sussex Conference Room 6 FL th
- 11/28/2007- Sussex Conference Room 6 FL th
- 12/12/2007- Sussex Conference Room 6 FL th

Deputy Attorney General, Michelle Weiner expressed her concern that the Certified Psychoanalysts Advisory

Committee meeting scheduled for November 14, 2007 will be conflict with other Board meeting she have to attend. Committee members agreed to change meeting date to November 28, 2007. All voted in Favor.

At 1:00 p.m., motion was made by Dr. Semel, seconded by Dr. Johnson to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor of the motion.

APPROVED:

Patricia Harte Bratt, Ph.D.
Chair Date