

Board of Psychology

Board Meeting
October 8, 2021
Teleconference

Board Attendance

Present Absent

Molly Clark, Ph.D., Credentialing Coordinator	2018- 2023	X	
Steve Ellis, Ph.D., Civil Commitment Coordinator	2016-2021	X	
Lynwood Wheeler, Ph.D., Recording Secretary & CE Coordinator	2018-2023	X	
Natalie Gaughf, Ph.D., Credentialing Coordinator	2016-2021	X	
Monica Sutton, Ph.D., Executive Secretary and Treasurer	2017-2022	X	
Lisa Yazdani, Ph.D., Chair	2019-2024	X	

Also Present

Pete Cajoleas, Esq., Senior Special Assistant to the Attorney General
Stacie Sharp, Executive Director

Call to Order:

Dr. Yazdani called the meeting to order at 10:05 A.M. and called for amendments to the agenda.

Review and Approval of Minutes:

Dr. Clark motioned, seconded by Dr. Ellis, to approve the September 30, 2021 minutes with noted corrections. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Treasurer Report:

Dr. Sutton reported that with regard to the budget the Board is in good standing.

Continuing Education Coordinator Report:

Drs. Clark/Wheeler reported that all of the audited psychologists have completed the required CE hours.

Civil Commitment Coordinator Report:

Dr. Ellis reported that if there was enough interest, a Civil Commitment training may be offered in the spring.

Chair Report:

Dr. Yazdani had no report.

Executive Director Report:

Ms. Sharp discussed scheduling for the upcoming hearing.

Ms. Sharp discussed revising the letter sent to candidates prior to the oral exam.

Executive Session:

Dr. Clark made the motion to enter into closed determination session to consider the need to enter into Executive Session. Dr. Ellis seconded the motion to consider the need to enter into Executive Session enter into Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Dr. Clark moved to consider going into Executive Session to discuss applications and complaints. Dr. Gaughf seconded the motion to go into Executive Session to discuss applications and complaints. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Actions taken during Executive Session:

Dr. Wheeler reported that following actions took place during Executive Session:

Complaints:

Dr. Sutton reported that there are no new complaints.

Candidate Status/Status of Applications:

Dr. Clark recommended one applicant for Temporary Practice Certificate, Sarah J. Miller, licensed in LA. Dr. Ellis moved to ratify Dr. Clark's recommendation and Dr. Sutton seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Dr. Clark reported that she will continue discussions with Attorney Morris regarding the application of 20201112.

Dr. Clark recommended that applicant (20210218) be approved to sit for the EPPP. Dr. Ellis moved to accept this recommendation, Dr. Sutton seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Dr. Clark chaired the oral examination committee of Allison Marie Williams and reported that she passed, and recommended her for licensure. Dr. Gaughf chaired the oral examination committee of Michael Prazak, Jr. and Anderson Rowan, and reported that both passed the oral examination and recommended them for licensure. Dr. Ellis moved to accept these recommendations, and Dr. Sutton seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Review and Update of Rules and Regulations:

The Board reviewed the revised Oral Examination and Dr. Yazdani suggested adding a section on cultural competency.

The Board further discussed the content and format of the revised oral examination score sheet and the letter to be sent to applicants describing the examination process.

Dr. Ellis moved that the new exam format be approved, and Dr. Sutton seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

The Board discussed section 4.5 regarding the licensing of individuals with degrees/licensure from countries outside of the United States and Canada. This section was removed, as the board is unable to accredit or determine equivalency of foreign programs/licensure in psychology.

The Board also discussed Section 7.1 which states that the applicant must hold a doctoral degree in psychology from an institute of higher education that is regionally accredited by an accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education or authorized by Provincial statute or Royal Charter to grant doctoral degrees. The program must be accredited by the American Psychological Association, or the Canadian Psychological Association, and require at least one (1) year of continuous, full-time residence at the educational institution granting the doctoral degree.

Old Business:

No old business.

New Business:

No new business.

Adjourn:

Dr. Clark moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dr. Ellis. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote. The meeting adjourned at 12:48 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted

Lynwood Wheeler, Ph.D., ABPP
Recording Secretary

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