Board of Psychology

Board Meeting November 5, 2021 Teleconference			
Board Attendance		Present	Absent
Molly Clark, Ph.D., Credentialing Coordinator	2018- 2023	х	
Steve Ellis, Ph.D., Civil Commitment Coordinator	2016-2021	х	
Lynwood Wheeler, Ph.D., Recording Secretary & CE Coordinator	2018-2023		х
Natalie Gaughf, Ph.D., Credentialing Coordinator	2016-2021	х	
Monica Sutton, Ph.D., Executive Secretary and Treasurer	2017-2022		х
Lisa Yazdani, Ph.D., Chair	2019-2024	х	

Also Present

Leyser Hayes, Esq., Special Assistant Attorney General Stacie Sharp, Executive Director

Call to Order:

Dr. Yazdani called the meeting to order at 10:38 A.M. and called for amendments to the agenda. Discussions of the Oral Examination process and Universal Licensure were added to the agenda.

Review and Approval of Minutes:

Dr. Clark motioned, seconded by Dr. Ellis, to approve the October 8, 2021, Minutes with noted corrections. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Treasurer Report:

In Dr. Sutton's absence, Dr. Yazdani reported that with regard to the budget the Board is in good standing.

Continuing Education Coordinator Report:

In the absence of Dr. Wheeler, there was nothing to report on Continuing Education.

<u>Civil Commitment Coordinator Report:</u>

Dr. Ellis reported that there have been no changes since last report.

Chair Report:

Dr. Yazdani shared that, after being made aware of a scam involving professional licenses, she drafted a letter which was sent to all licensees through LMS and MPA advising of this scam. She also reported on a meeting with Dr. Sutton, Ms. Sharp and Ms. Morris to discuss the processes for complaints received by the Board.

Executive Director Report:

Ms. Sharp requested permission to purchase 2 cameras with the assistance of ProsonItech for use in administering oral examinations remotely once the Board is back to meeting in person. She also suggested that the Board acquire a hot spot for better WiFi connectivity in the conference room and was instructed to proceed with these acquisitions.

Executive Session:

Dr. Clark made the motion to enter into closed determination session to consider the need to enter into Executive Session. Dr. Gaughf 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:

Ms. Sharp reported that following actions took place during Executive Session:

Complaints:

Dr. Yazdani reported that there are no new complaints. Dr. Yazdani reminded the Board about the continuance of the Administrative Hearing on Friday, December 3, 2021, at 2:00 PM.

Candidate Status/Status of Applications:

Dr. Clark recommended four applicants for Temporary Practice Certificates: Rebecca Wallace, licensed in LA; Catherine Bollinger Kiracofe, licensed in LA; Rebecca Godelieve Rothbaum, licensed in LA; and, Lisa Margot Licht Hirsch, licensed in NY. Dr. Ellis moved to ratify Dr. Clark's recommendation and Dr. Gaughf 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 applicants 06282021B, 09072021A and 09072021B be approved to sit for the EPPP. Dr. Ellis moved to accept this recommendation; Dr. Gaughf seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Dr. Clark recommended that applicants 03292021 and 09092020 be approved for Oral Examination and for a temporary license as per their request. Dr. Clark further recommended that applicants 09162020, 06282021A, and 01062021 be approved to sit for Oral Examination. Dr. Gaughf moved to accept these recommendations; Dr. Ellis seconded. The motion was passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Dr. Clark chaired the oral examination committee of Taban Salem and Katherine Andre and reported that they both passed, and recommended them for licensure. Dr. Gaughf chaired the oral examination committee of Michael Garret Shumaker, Vincent Casey Allen and Kimberly A. Adams and reported that they all passed the oral examination and recommended them for licensure. Dr. Yazdani chaired the oral examination committee of Mary Dozier, Rachel Baden Sherrill and Angelia Spurgin and reported that they all passed and recommended them for licensure. Dr. Ellis moved to accept these recommendations, and Dr. Gaughf seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Review and Update of Rules and Regulations:

The Board further discussed the content and format of the revised oral examination and made further tweaks to the process, and the letter to be sent to applicants describing the examination process. It was determined that a candidate must pass all sections of the exam in order to pass; if not the exam will be readministered in its entirety.

Old Business:

Dr. Clark reported that we have not received any applications under the Universal Licensure Act.

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 12:42 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted

Stacie Sharp Executive Director November 5, 2021