

**Board Meeting  
November 3, 2023  
Virtual Meeting Via Zoom**

<u>Board Attendance</u>		<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Molly Clark, Ph.D., Credentialing Coordinator	2023- 2028	X	
Chris Cumbest, M.Div, Public Member	2022-2027	X	
Penni Foster, Ph.D., Recording Secretary	2021-2026	X	
Kaye Sly, Ph.D., Treasurer	2021-2026	X	
Monica Sutton, Ph.D., Executive Secretary	2022-2027	X	
Lynwood Wheeler, Ph.D., CE Coordinator	2023-2028	X	
Lisa Yazdani, Ph.D., Chair	2019-2024	X	
<b><u>Also Present:</u></b> Stacie Sharp, Executive Director Alexis Morris, Esq., Special Assistant Attorney General			

**Call to Order**

Dr. Yazdani called the meeting to order at 9:31 am. Dr. Yazdani asked for any amendments to the agenda but no amendments were made.

**Motion to Approve October 13, 2023, Minutes**

Dr. Clark – Motion to approve October 13, 2023, minutes

Mr. Cumbest - Second

The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

**Treasurer Report**

Dr. Sly – MS Board of Psychology and the MS Autism Board are operating within budget. Financial operations of both Boards are in good standing. The printer for the Board was purchased.

**Chair Report**

Dr. Yazdani –Contacted Dr. Steve Ellis regarding civil commitment training. Options are being considered for future training opportunities. Discussed the date for a future Board retreat for training and education.

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## **Executive Director Report:**

Ms. Sharp – Printer for the Board was purchased. She noted that the Woolfolk building is receiving continued ongoing repairs due to the recent flooding.

## **Motion to Enter into Closed Determination Session**

Dr. Clark - Motion to enter into closed determination session to consider the need to enter into Executive Session

Dr. Wheeler - Second

The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

## **Motion to Enter into Executive Session**

**In accordance with Miss. Code Ann. §25-41-7(1), Miss. Code Ann. §24-41-7(3), & (5):**

Dr. Wheeler -Motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing candidate status, status of applications, and complaints

Mr. Cumbest - Second

The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

## **Actions Taken During Executive Session**

### **Complaints:**

Dr. Sutton – Discussed complaint 231006 and noted that is closed. Discussed complaint 231007.

Dr. Clark– Motion to send an additional cease and desist letter regarding complaint 231007

Dr. Wheeler - Second

The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

### **Motion to Approve Candidates Who Successfully Passed the Oral Examination for Licensure:**

Dr. Wheeler recommended the following applicants who successfully passed the Oral Examination for licensure: Freddie Pastrana-Rivera, Kayley Sanger.

Dr. Yazdani recommended the following applicants who successfully passed the Oral Examination for licensure: Emily DeFouw, Leslie Higgins.

Dr. Wheeler– Motion to accept Dr. Wheeler and Yazdani’s recommendations

Mr. Cumbest - Second

The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

### **Motion to Approve Predoctoral Non-Applicant for EPPP Examination:**

Dr. Clark recommended ratifying the following predoctoral non-applicant for EPPP Examination: E20231015.

Dr. Wheeler - Motion to accept Dr. Clark’s recommendation

Mr. Cumbest - Second

The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

### **Motion to Approve Candidate for Temporary Practice Certificate:**

Dr. Clark recommended ratification of the following applicants for Temporary Practice Certificate: Catherine Elizabeth Reynolds (GA).

Dr. Wheeler - Motion to accept Dr. Clark’s recommendation

Dr. Cumbest - Second

The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

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### **Discussion of Prior Candidate for Temporary Practice Certificate:**

Discussion of the previous applicant for Temporary Practice Certificate due to inaccuracy on the application: TPC 20230923.

Mr. Cumbest - Motion to uphold prior decision

Dr. Wheeler - Second

The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

### **Motion to Exit Executive Session:**

Dr. Clark - Motion to exit executive session

Mr. Cumbest - Second

The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

### **Old Business**

#### **Civil Commitment Training**

Dr. Clark – Motion to schedule a civil commitment training when Dr. Steve Ellis is available.

Dr. Sutton - Second

The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

### **New Business**

#### **AG Round Table Report**

Mr. Cumbest – Discussed his attendance and the content of the meeting.

#### **Testing Accommodations**

Dr. Foster – Presented information on procedures for testing accommodations for licensing examinations by other Boards and disciplines for applicants with disabilities. Discussed procedures for applicants to request testing accommodations for the EPPP examination.

#### **Motion to Adjourn**

Dr. Clark – Motion to adjourn the meeting

Mr. Cumbest – Second

The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Adjourned at 10:57 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Penni Foster, PhD  
Recording Secretary

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