

1 **Board of Psychology**

2 November 3, 2017
3 Woolfolk Building
4 Jackson, Mississippi
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6 **Board Attendance**

Present Absent

John Askew, Ph.D., Chair and Continuing Education Coordinator	2013-2018	X	
Patricia Alexander, Ph.D., Executive Secretary	2013-2018	X	
Steve Ellis, Ph.D., Civil Commitment Coordinator	2016-2021	X	
Natalie Gaughf, Ph.D., Credentialing Coordinator	2016-2021	X	
Patrick Phelan, O.D., Public Member	2017-2022		X
Monica Sutton, Ph.D., Treasurer	2017-2022	X	
Lisa Yazdani, Ph.D., Recording Secretary	2014-2019	X	

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9 **Also Present**

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11 Helen Crocker Board Administrator
12 Mardi Allen, Ph.D. Board Consultant
13 Karen Christoff, Ph.D. Assistant to Board Administrator
14 Onetta Whitley, Esq. Board Attorney Deputy Attorney General
15 Denise De Rossette Financial Officer
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17 **Call to Order**

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19 Dr. Askew called the meeting to order at 9:48 am and asked for amendments to the agenda. There were none.
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21 **Approval of the September 21, 2017 Minutes**

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23 Dr. Yazdani made and Dr. Alexander seconded a motion that the September 21, 2017 minutes be approved as
24 presented. The motion passed unanimously among those in attendance.
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26 **Report from the Chair**

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30 **Report from the Executive Secretary**

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Report from Continuing Education Coordinator

Dr. Askew reported that he has reviewed continuing education submissions of almost 300 of the 400 renewing psychologists. Again, most have used the online system for renewals. One problem he has found involves psychologists licensed in multiple jurisdictions who are reporting CE activities that fit criteria for the other jurisdictions, but do not meet our Board's criteria.

Report from the Treasurer

Dr. Sutton reported that she would be meeting with Ms. De Rossette over lunch today to review her responsibilities. She has nothing else to report at this time. Ms. Crocker directed the Board members' attention to the financial report provided to them.

Report from the Consultant

Dr. Allen reported on her attendance at the Annual meeting of ASPPB. The Board of Directors of ASPPB announced that as of January 2020 the EPPP Part 1 would be available to students in APA or CPA programs at the conclusion of their course work. Costs are predicted to be around \$1200, with \$600 directed for each of the two components, Parts 1 and 2. Part 1 will continue as the current EPPP and be knowledge-based. Part 2 is intended to be skills-based.

Dr. Allen will be providing a workshop on the licensing process to the doctoral program at USM on Monday and to the internship at Hattiesburg on December 7, 2017. She requested that the Board authorize payment for her travel expenses for these workshops.

Dr. Allen met with Ms. Crocker earlier this week on the new Board member materials. This will take the form of a notebook with multiple sections separated by dividers. She provided a draft copy of the current content to the Board members and asked for comments to be sent to Ms. Crocker.

Report from Management

Ms. Crocker reported that the Board website has been updated.

Report from Dr. Gaughf on the Statute Work Group

Dr. Gaughf, and Dr. Allen from the Board met with members of the Mississippi Psychological Association Executive Council to discuss proposed statutory changes on two occasions, the most recent was October 26, 2017. Dr. Gaughf reviewed the specific points the work group has targeted as needing changes in the statutes.

Financial Report

Ms. De Rossette discussed new travel regulations and forms.

Dr. Yazdani moved that the Board clarify Ms. Crocker's contract to specify that travel expenses incurred by her employees be borne by Ms. Crocker unless the Board approves them in advance. This was seconded by Dr. Askew. The motion passed unanimously among those in attendance.

Dr. Alexander made a motion that the Board as specified in her contract covers Dr. Allen's expenses. Dr. Ellis seconded the motion, which passed unanimously among those in attendance.

84 Dr. Alexander moved and Dr. Ellis seconded a motion to close the open meeting and consider the need for
85 Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously by those in attendance.

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87 Dr. Alexander moved that the Board go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of applications,
88 Oral Examinations, and review of complaints. The motion was seconded by Dr. Askew and passed
89 unanimously by those in attendance.

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91 **Actions taken in Executive Session**

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93 After Oral Examinations earlier in the day, Meghan Wall was deemed to have met all criteria for licensure and
94 was approved for a License to Practice Psychology in Mississippi.

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96 The Board approved the postponement of the Oral Examinations for candidate 02012017 at their request until
97 the January 12, 2018 administration.

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99 Candidate 09182017 was approved for the January 12, 2018 administration of the Oral Examinations.

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101 Candidate 08252017 will be issued a temporary license and was approved to sit for the January 12, 2018
102 administration of the Oral Examinations.

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104 Three (3) complaints were reviewed, case 08212017 was closed due to no evidence of an ethical violation,
105 case 07062017 was deemed to be without merit and was closed without investigation, and investigation of
106 case 04212017 is ongoing.

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108 Dr. Alexander reported that a temporary practice certificate was issued to Robert Gerald Stanulis, who is
109 licensed in Oregon, for evaluating a death row inmate in Mississippi.

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111 **Old Business**

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115 **New Business**

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119 **Report on Rules and Regulations**

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121 The Board began discussion of proposed changes to the Rules and Regulations taking into account concerns
122 rose by members of the Mississippi Psychological Association at the Oral Proceeding and proposed changes
123 to the statutes.

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125 At 4:55 p.m., Dr. Yazdani made a motion that the meeting to adjourned. Dr. Ellis seconded the motion that
126 passed unanimously by those in attendance.

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128 Next Board Meeting will be December 1, 2017 at the Woolfolk Building in Jackson

129 Next Oral examination will be January 12, 2017

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132 **On File**

133 Recording Secretary:

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Date