

Board of Psychology

Board Meeting
May 6, 2022
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Board Attendance

Present Absent

Molly Clark, Ph.D., Credentialing Coordinator	2018- 2023	X	
Chris Cumbest, M.Div, Public Member	2021-2027	X	
Penni Foster, Ph.D.	2021-2026	X	
Kaye Sly, Ph.D.	2021-2026	X	
Monica Sutton, Ph.D., Executive Secretary	2017-2022	X	
Lynwood Wheeler, Ph.D., CE Coordinator	2018-2023	X	
Lisa Yazdani, Ph.D., Chair	2019-2024	X	

Also Present

Alexis Morris, Esq., Special Assistant Attorney General
Stacie Sharp, Executive Director
Janet Orwig, ASPPB
Kevin Ragsdale
Laura Johnson

Call to Order

Dr. Yazdani called the meeting to order at 10:31 A.M. and called for amendments to the agenda. There were no amendments to the agenda.

Presentation by ASPPB

Janet Orwig, ASPPB Representative, presented information regarding the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact (PSYPACT), which has been created to facilitate telehealth and

temporary in-person, face-to-face practice of psychology across jurisdictional boundaries. The Board discussed PSYPACT as it relates to licensing procedures.

Review and Approval of Minutes

Mr. Cumbest motioned, seconded by Dr. Sutton, to approve the March 11, 2022, Minutes with no corrections. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Treasurer Report

Dr. Sly presented expenditures and revenues by the Board and reported that the Board is in good standing with the budget. Dr. Sly presented expenditures and revenues by the MS Autism Board and reported that the MS Autism Board is in good standing with the budget. There were no questions regarding the reports as presented.

Continuing Education Coordinator Report

Dr. Wheeler presented one individual's request for preapproval of a CE event. The request was approved.

Chair Report

Dr. Yazdani reported that 5 members of the Board attended the ASPPB Midyear Meeting in New Orleans April 21-24, 2022. The Board members discussed the conference and described it as informative.

Dr. Yazdani reported the recently elected officers for the Board. She recommended that this slate of officers also serve during the 2022-2023 year beginning July 1st. Mr. Cumbest motioned, seconded by Dr. Wheeler, to approve the motion. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Executive Director Report

Ms. Sharp reported that the proposed revisions to the Rules and Regulations were placed on the Board's website with notification that comments may be submitted by the public until May 13, 2022.

Request for Reconsideration of Application

Applicant 11122020 attended the Board meeting via Zoom to request reconsideration of the application for psychology licensure in the state of Mississippi. Applicant 11122020 provided additional information regarding the application, and the Board asked questions. The Board stated that the applicant would receive notice regarding the request for reconsideration.

Request for Information Regarding Licensure and Clinical Faculty

Laura Johnson attended the meeting via Zoom to discuss questions related to licensure in Mississippi and the practice of psychology. The Board referred Dr. Johnson to the MS statute 73-31 regarding the practice of psychology in Mississippi and noted that a psychology license is required to provide psychology services and supervise psychology services. The Board requested that Dr. Johnson submit any additional questions in writing for further consideration.

Executive Session:

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

In accordance with Miss. Code Ann. §25-41-7(1), Dr. Wheeler moved to consider going into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing applications for licensure and complaints against a licensee. Mr. Cumbest seconded the motion to go into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing applications for licensure and complaints against a licensee. Miss. Code Ann. §24-41-7(3), (5). The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Actions taken during Executive Session:

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

Complaints:

Dr. Sutton reported that there was one new complaint 220403. Dr. Wheeler motioned, seconded by Mr. Cumbest, to send a letter to cease and desist.

Candidate Status/Status of Applications:

Dr. Clark and Dr. Yazdani recommended the following applicants who successfully passed the Oral Examination for licensure: Megan Binder, Hailey Michelle Ormand Spinks, Alison Lea Bigelow, Nicole Trosclair Lasserre, Frances K. Ketz, Brittany Ann Kinman, Nathan Tyler Ross, Sarah Bilsky. Dr. Sly moved to accept Dr. Clark's and Dr. Yazdani's recommendation and Dr. Wheeler seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Dr. Clark recommended the following applicants for for Temporary Practice Certificate: Whitney Catherine Cowell (CO), Sanford Lewis Drob (NY), Jill Suzanne Hayes (LA), Debbie Michelle Warman (IN), Nadia Samad Locey (NV), Shaun Lynn Davis (OR). Dr. Wheeler moved to ratify Dr. Clark's recommendation and Mr. Cumbest seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Dr. Clark recommended the following applicants to be approved to take the EPPP: 20210919, 20220218, 20211021, 20210914 (retake). Dr. Wheeler moved to accept this recommendation, and Dr. Sly seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Dr. Clark recommended the following applicants for the Oral Examination: 20210720, 20220112, 20201008, 20210305, 20200422, 2021073, 20220102, 20210811. Dr. Wheeler moved to ratify Dr. Clark's recommendation and Mr. Cumbest seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Dr. Clark recommended that the Oral Examination for applicant 09072021A be moved to June 3, 2022 at the request of the applicant. Dr. Wheeler moved to ratify Dr. Clark's recommendation and Mr. Cumbest seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Dr. Clark, as Credentialing Coordinator, recommended that future applicants with ABPP or CPQ certifications be given the written jurisprudence exam and those who score 90% or higher on the jurisprudence exam will not be administered the oral examination. Dr. Sutton moved to accept this recommendation, and Dr. Wheeler seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Dr. Clark recommended ratification for Natalie Antoineete Harrison for a temporary license. Dr. Wheeler moved to accept this recommendation, and Dr. Sutton seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Dr. Clark reported that applicant 20210309 failed the EPPP twice and that the applicant's file will be inactive.

Dr. Clark reported that applicant 20220428 submitted an application, but the applicant's program and internship were not APA-accredited. Dr. Clark recommended the Board refund the application fees since the applicant does not meet criteria for licensure. Dr. Wheeler moved to accept this recommendation, and Dr. Sutton seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

The request for reconsideration by applicant 11122020 was discussed by the Board. Dr. Clark made a motion that the applicant's request for reconsideration be denied. Dr. Wheeler seconded. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Dr. Clark made the motion to enter into open session. Mr. Cumbest seconded the motion to enter into open session. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote.

Old Business:

The Board discussed the Mississippi State Department of Health's Minimum Standards of Operation for the Practice of Telemedicine. It was determined that the Board will look further into the situation and request guidance by the Attorney General's office.

Ms. Sharp reported that the proposed revisions to the Rules and Regulations were placed on the Board's website with notification that comments may be submitted by the public until May 13, 2022.

New Business:

The Board agreed to postpone items under New Business for discussion at a future meeting.

Adjourn:

Dr. Clark moved to adjourn the meeting. This was seconded by Dr. Sly. The motion passed unanimously with all in attendance participating in the vote. The meeting adjourned at 2:43 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted

Penni Foster, PhD
Recording Secretary

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