

Mississippi Board of Psychology

**Board Meeting
June 6, 2025
Virtual Meeting by Zoom**

| <u>Board Attendance</u> | | <u>Present</u> | <u>Absent</u> |
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| Kevin Armstrong, Ph.D. | 2024-2029 | X | |
| Molly Clark, Ph.D., Credentialing Coordinator | 2023- 2028 | X | |
| Chris Cumbest, M.Div, Chair and 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 | |
| <u>Also Present:</u> Stacie Sharp, Executive Director Phillips Strickland, Esq., Special Assistant Attorney General | | | |

Call to Order

Mr. Cumbest called the meeting to order at 10:02 am.

Motion to Approve Agenda

Mr. Cumbest asked for amendments to the agenda, but no amendments were made.

Mr. Cumbest asked for approval of the meeting agenda as written.

Dr. Armstrong – Motion to approve agenda

Dr. Clark - Second

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

Motion to Approve May 16, 2025, Minutes

Mr. Cumbest asked for any amendments to the minutes, but no amendments were made.

Dr. Clark – Motion to approve May 16, 2025, minutes

Dr. Armstrong - Second

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

Treasurer Report

Dr. Sly –Presented the budget for the MS Board of Psychology and the MS Autism Board. Dr. Sly reported that both boards are operating within budget, and financial operations are in good standing.

CE Coordinator Report

Dr. Wheeler – Reported that license renewal and CE reporting is ongoing. The deadline is June 30, 2025

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Chair Report

Mr. Cumbest – Discussed Board officer positions. He recommended the following Board officers for the for the upcoming year: Dr. Sutton as Chair, Dr. Wheeler as Executive Secretary, Dr. Foster as Recording Secretary, Dr. Clark as Credentialing Coordinator, Dr. Armstrong as Continuing Education Coordinator, and Mr. Cumbest as Treasurer. He recommended that Dr. Sly serve in the PSYPACT Commissioner position.

Dr. Clark – Motion to approve Mr. Cumbest’s recommendation

Dr. Wheeler - Second

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

Executive Director Report

Ms. Sharp – Reported that she has received the new computer equipment. She reminded Board members of the upcoming ASPPB opportunity for EPPP discussion. She requested approval to purchase bags to distribute at the upcoming Mississippi Psychological Association (MPA) Convention in September 2025.

Dr. Sutton – Motion to purchase bags for the 2025 MPA Convention

Dr. Wheeler - Second

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

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, complaints, and oral exam review.

Dr. Clark - Second

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

Actions Taken During Executive Session

Complaints

Dr. Sutton – Reported on complaint 250301 and recommended that the complaint be closed.

Dr. Clark - Motion to approve Dr. Sutton’s recommendation

Dr. Armstrong - Second

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

Candidates

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

Dr. Sutton recommended the following applicants who successfully passed the Oral Examination for licensure: Sandra Powers, Maria Rakhsahn, Russell Smith Anderson.

Dr. Armstrong - Motion to accept Dr. Sutton’s recommendation

Dr. Clark - Second

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

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

Dr. Sly recommended the following applicants who successfully passed the Oral Examination for licensure:
David Franks.

Dr. Armstrong - Motion to accept Dr. Sly's recommendation

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. Clark, Foster, and Sutton recused themselves from the discussion and the vote.

Dr. Sly recommended the following applicants who successfully passed the Oral Examination for licensure:
Monica Daniels.

Dr. Wheeler - Motion to accept Dr. Sly's recommendation

Dr. Armstrong - Second

The motion passed unanimously by those participating in the vote.

Motion to Approve Candidates for Oral Examination:

Dr. Clark recommended the following candidates for the Oral Examination: 20250129, 20250214, 20240906, 20241108, 20250304.

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

Dr. Sly - Second

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

Motion to Approve Candidate for Oral Examination:

Dr. Clark recommended the following candidate for the Oral Examination contingent upon receipt of a clear background check: 20250129.

Dr. Armstrong - Motion to accept Dr. Clark's recommendation to approve candidate for the Oral Examination contingent upon receipt of a clear background check

Dr. Wheeler - Second

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

Motion to Ratify Predoctoral Non-Applicants for EPPP Examination:

Dr. Clark recommended ratifying the following predoctoral non-applicant for the EPPP Examination: E20250519, E20250523, E20250522.

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

Dr. Sutton - Second

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

Motion to Approve Candidates for EPPP:

Dr. Clark recommended the following candidates for the EPPP Examination: 20250313, 20250404.

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

Dr. Sutton - Second

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

Motion to Ratify Candidates for Temporary Practice Permit:

Dr. Clark recommended ratification of the following applicant for Temporary Practice Permit: U20250520.

Dr. Armstrong - Motion to accept Dr. Clark's recommendation

Dr. Wheeler - Second

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

Oral Exam Review

The Board discussed the oral examination and recommended changes or updates.

Dr. Clark – Motion to remove a question

Dr. Armstrong – 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

Dr. Wheeler - Second

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

Old Business

Civil Commitment Training

Dr. Armstrong – Discussed the ongoing development of civil commitment training.

New Business

Psychometry

Dr. Sutton – Discussed the Mississippi Department of Education’s psychometry license and its limits.

Motion to Adjourn

Dr. Clark – Motion to adjourn the meeting

Dr. Wheeler – Second

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

Adjourned at 11:42 am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Penni Foster, PhD
Recording Secretary

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