

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Teleconference/Video Conference
January 13, 2023

Members Present: Thomas Stanage, Ph.D., (President); Matthew Christiansen, Ph.D. (Vice President); Trisha Miller, Ph.D., (Secretary; joined meeting at 8:45am MDT/9:46am CDT due to technical issues); Jeffrey Ellison, Psy.D., Robert Overturf, Lay Member; Brian Roegiers, Lay Member

Members Absent: Rosalie Ball, Ph.D., Member

Others Present: Carol Tellinghuisen, Executive Administrator; Brooke Tellinghuisen-Geddes, Executive Assistant; Greg Tishkoff, DSS Legal Counsel; Tracy Mercer, DSS

Call to Order/Welcome and Introductions: Stanage called the meeting to order at 9:30 am CDT.

Roll Call: Tellinghuisen-Geddes called the roll. A quorum was present (Stanage, Christiansen, Ellison, Overturf, and Roegiers). Ball absent; Miller absent, having technical issues in attempting to join meeting.

Corrections or Additions to the Agenda: None.

Approval of the Agenda: Roegiers motioned to approve the agenda as presented; Ellison seconded the motion. Motion carried on unanimous vote of members present.

The board paused to address technical issues preventing Miller for joining meeting and resumed when Miller joined at 9:45am CDT.

Public Testimony/Public Comment Period (9:46am CDT / 8:46am MDT): None.

Approval of Minutes from September 30, 2022 Meeting: Ellison moved, Christiansen seconded, to approve meeting minutes as written. Motion passed unanimously amongst those present.

FY Financial Update: Tellinghuisen-Geddes reported on the most recent financial report (financials as of November 30, 2022) as well as the 2022 Fiscal Year End report. Tellinghuisen-Geddes reported that as of November 30, 2022, revenue was at \$5,731.92, year-to-date expenditures were at \$26,915.40, and Cash Balance was at \$104,456.56. Stanage made the group aware there was a month in which the state consultant fees were two months of fees onto one month of financials, simply for awareness sake. Tellinghuisen-Geddes also made the group aware there were confusing bank fees and charges but these were explainable. Christiansen inquired about financial comparison to a year ago and Tellinghuisen-Geddes made the group aware the current cash balance is similar to last year at this same time. Ellison moved, Christiansen seconded to approve the financial report as presented. Motion passed unanimously amongst those present.

Legislative Updates: No upcoming legislative proposals are known to be introduced that will impact this board. C. Tellinghuisen made the board aware the Social Work board is proposing legislation to repeal the Sunset Law for ABA's and to allow ABA's to remain licensed under the Board of Social Work.

EPPP- Part 2: Letter from ASPPB: At the Annual meeting in October 2022, ASPPB made attendees aware and simultaneously sent a letter to the State boards and APA members announcing ASPPB's decision to require the EPPP-Part 2 be completed as part of the evaluation process, beginning January 2026. This removes the determination from states on whether or not to require the EPPP- Part 2. Thus, each state must take action to alter current applicable statutes and/or administrative rules. Stanage initiated conversation about when to begin this process. All agreed the process of rewording statute/rules should begin as soon as possible, so as to be sure the process can be completed and new statute/rules wording in place officially by 2026. Tishkoff stated agreement that "the sooner the better" approach to wording being sent to DSS, the more likely this can occur.

ASPPB 2022 Annual Meeting Update – Miller: Miller attended the most recent ASPPB meeting, held in National Harbor, MD in October 2022. Miller made board members aware of several "takeaways" from the meeting:

- 1) EPPP-Part 2 Update (as aforementioned),
- 2) Importance of broadening our vision of state board membership diversity representation,
- 3) PsyPact has now been enacted by at least 32 states in the country, large favorable consensus about this and eight additional states are proposing legislation this legislative session. Miller stated perceived importance of continuing this discussion and becoming aware of current status of financial requirements and impacts, as other states declined financial impact as a concern; Miller suggested inviting an ASPPB representative to an upcoming meeting at some point to clarify and address voiced concerns. Stanage cited positive financial impact current decision to not join PsyPACT as a reason to continue to not join, but agreed PsyPACT may be unavoidable at some point. Stanage voiced concern that once PsyPACT is an option many of our current licensees will not renew and critical funding will be lost. Stanage also voiced perceiving pursuing legislation for PsyPACT a role for the state association rather than the board; Miller agreed, but cited that in the past states that have had only an association (without the backing of the state board) pursue such legislation, the efforts were unsuccessful, so there is a push to have both groups unified in the desire for PsyPACT before taking it to the legislature.
- 4) Master's level licensure is a large debate country-wide, with regard to what should licensure requirements look like, should they be required to be under supervision of a psychologist, specialization criteria, etc.
- 5) ASPPB undergoing changes to their operations over the next five years in addressing state's voiced concerns and needs. ASPPB is really desiring every jurisdiction to have representation at both the mid-year and annual meetings so that all are apprised and represented.

ASPPB Mid-Year Meeting – April 27-30, 2023 (Denver): All agreed having representation at this meeting would be important. Board members were uncertain of availability, but will check schedules and make the board office aware if able to attend the meeting. Board members agreed for a board member and/or executive staff member to attend the 2023 ASPPB Mid-Year meeting, if able.

Schedule Next Meeting: After group discussion, it was determined to have next meeting timed after the ASPPB Mid-Year meeting to allow for information obtained at the meeting to be shared with the group. The next meeting was tentatively set for Friday, May 5 at 8:30am MDT via Microsoft teams.

Mercer exited from the conference call at 9:28am CDT/10:28am MDT. At this time, Overturf made the group aware that he would likely not be able to stay throughout all of the orals examinees and remainder of the meeting.

Executive Session – Pursuant to SDCL 1 – 25 – 2:

Christiansen motioned and Miller seconded to enter executive session at 11:28am CDT/10:28am MDT for purpose of discussing the Executive Secretary Contract Renewal, two complaints/investigations (#223 and #225), and to complete the Orals Examinations of six applicants (#714, #719, #720, #721, #722, and #723). Motion passed unanimously amongst those present.

Board members and executive staff transitioned to a secure private online conference room at this point.

Tishkoff exited executive session during a five-minute break, prior to beginning orals examinations, at 10:50am CDT/9:50am MDT.

Overturf exited from the meeting at 12:46am CDT/11:46am MDT (after the third orals examination).

Stanage declared end of Executive Session at 2:23pm CDT/1:23pm MDT. Board members, executive staff, and Tishkoff transitioned back to public teleconference call and Tellinghuisen- Geddes immediately took roll call. Overturf and Ball were absent.

Executive Secretary Contract: Miller motioned, Christiansen seconded, to approve the renewal of the Executive Secretary Contract at the current rate. Motion passed unanimously amongst those present.

Applicant Approvals: Miller recommended applicants #714, #719, #720, #721, #722, and #723 be approved for licensure per passing of their oral examinations today, pending any outstanding licensure requirements that are applicable. Christiansen moved, Ellison seconded, to approve applicants #714, #719, #720, #721, #722, and #723 for licensure, pending any outstanding licensure requirements to complete. Motion passed unanimously amongst those present.

Complaint/Investigations: Miller recommended that the board accept the proposed Order of Dismissal from the Office of Hearing Examiners regarding Complaint #223. Christiansen motioned to follow Miller's recommendation and Roegiers seconded. Motion carried on a majority roll call vote: Stanage – yes, Christiansen- yes, Miller – abstain, Ellison – no, Roegiers- yes, Ball – absent, Overturf – absent. Stanage recommended that the board dismiss Complaint #225 and include a letter of recommendations to the psychologist involved. Christiansen motioned to accept Stanage's recommendation and Roegiers seconded. Motion carried on a roll call vote: Stanage – abstain, Christiansen- yes, Miller – yes, Ellison – yes, Ball – absent, Overturf – absent.

Other Business: None.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn was made by Ellison, seconded by Miller. Stanage adjourned meeting at 2:36pm CDT / 1:36pm MDT following unanimous vote (Overturf and Ball absent) to do so.

Respectfully submitted,

Trisha T. Miller, Ph.D.
Secretary

1-27-1.17. Draft minutes of public meeting to be available--Exceptions--Violation as misdemeanor. The unapproved, draft minutes of any public meeting held pursuant to § 1-25-1 that are required to be kept by law shall be available for inspection by any person within ten business days after the meeting. However, this section does not

apply if an audio or video recording of the meeting is available to the public on the governing body's website within five business days after the meeting. A violation of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor. However, the provisions of this section do not apply to draft minutes of contested case proceedings held in accordance with the provisions of chapter 1-26.

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