

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Teleconference/Video Conference
April 11, 2024

Members Present: Thomas Stanage, Ph.D., (President); Matthew Christiansen, Ph.D. (Vice President; joined at 2:34pm CDT); Trisha Miller, Ph.D., (Secretary); Rosalie Ball, Ph.D., Member; Jeffrey Ellison, Psy.D.; Robert Overturf, Lay Member; and Brian Roegiers, Lay Member (joined at 2:59p CDT, during Executive Session)

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Brooke Tellinghuisen Geddes, Executive Administrator; Katie Funke, Executive Assistant, Tona Hand, Administrative Assistant; Greg Tishkoff, DSS Legal Services – Board Counsel; Tracy Mercer – DSS Special Projects Coordinator.

Call to Order/Welcome and Introductions: Stanage called the meeting to order at 2:32pm CDT.

Roll Call: Tellinghuisen Geddes called the roll. A quorum was present (Stanage, Miller, Ball, Ellison, Overturf). Christiansen and Roegiers were noted as absent.

Corrections or Additions to the Agenda: None.

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

Christiansen joined the teleconference at 2:34pm CDT / 1:34pm MDT.

Public Testimony/Public Comment Period (2:34pm CDT / 1:34pm MDT): None.

Approval of Minutes from January 12, 2024 Meeting: Ellison motioned and Overturf seconded, to approve meeting minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously; Roegiers absent.

FY Financial Update: Tellinghuisen Geddes reported that as of February 29, 2024, year-to-date revenue was at \$12,408.72, year-to-date expenditures were at \$47,568.53, and cash balance was at \$97,649.21. Tellinghuisen Geddes reminded the board of the licensure renewal period having just begun, during which the bulk of the board's income is received. Ellison motioned to accept the financial report as read; Overturf seconded. Motion passed unanimously; Roegiers absent.

PsyPACT Update: Since last meeting, HB 1017 (PsyPACT bill) was signed into law by Governor Noem. Tellinghuisen Geddes reported having had contact with ASPPB about the process moving forward for licensees and was informed SD Licensees can begin applying for their e-passports in July. Licensees can begin the process now by requesting their transcripts be sent to ASPPB. The only thing we (the SD Board of Examiners of Psychologists) need to do is identify a PsyPACT Commissioner to represent SD.

PsyPACT Commissioner: Tellinghuisen Geddes explained that SD must have an individual, to be identified as a Commissioner, serve as a representative for SD at PsyPACT meetings. Tellinghuisen Geddes directed board members to information in the board packet explaining that the board elects a designee for this position, which can be a board member, a board office staff, etc. The initial meeting is currently slated to occur virtually on July 15th and the second meeting is likely to be an in-person meeting in November in Washington, D.C. Ball

expressed interest in serving as SD's PsyPACT Commissioner. Ellison motioned for the appointment of Ball to the position of PsyPACT Commissioner. Overturf seconded. Motion passed unanimously; Roegiers absent.

Other Legislative Updates: Tellinghuisen Geddes directed board members to a copy of SB57, which had been discussed in last meeting and has since been signed by Governor Noem. This bill requires consideration of individual's with criminal history for licensure. Tellinghuisen Geddes simply wanted the board to be aware this is will be in effect July 1, but stated the understanding is that an individual would need to petition the board prior to their application. Tishkoff agreed applicants would need to initiate the petition prior to their licensure application submission and then procedures would be followed thereafter in considering the individual's history. Ellison inquired if a certain procedure is designated for this board to follow in informing the public if a prior criminal is approved for licensure. Tishkoff stated typical application procedure would follow to determine if license-eligible initially and that if, upon review, it was determined denial of licensure was to occur, Tishkoff cited Section 5, page 3 of the bill wherein the procedure to follow "if an agency intends to take adverse action" would be followed.

ASPPB Mid-Year Meeting – April 25-28, 2024 (Boston, MA) and ASPPB Annual Meeting – October 30-November 3, 2024 (Houston, TX): Miller has made arrangements to attend this meeting and preapproval to attend has been completed. Primary topics to be discussed at the meeting include EPPP-2, as well as Master's level licensing. Stanage reiterated the importance of our presence in staying aware of the discussions on these topics; Miller agreed and will report on the information received at this board's next meeting.

Schedule Next Meeting: Stanage inquired as to whether this board is required to meet quarterly. Tellinghuisen Geddes made the group aware the board must meet a minimum of once annually. After group discussion, the next board meeting was tentatively set for September 6, 2024 at 8:30am MDT via teleconference on MS Teams.

Tishkoff and Mercer left the meeting prior to executive session.

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

Ellison motioned and Miller seconded to enter executive session at 2:57pm CDT/1:57pm MDT for purpose of completing a single Orals Examination (Applicant #744). Motion carried unanimously; Roegiers absent.

There were no active complaints reported.

Roegiers entered the meeting at 2:59pm CDT / 1:59pm MDT.

Stanage declared end of Executive Session at 2:45pm CDT / 1:45pm MDT.

Mercer and Tishkoff re-entered the meeting at 2:45pm CDT / 1:45pm MDT.

Applicant Approval: Miller recommended applicant #744 be approved for licensure per passing of the oral examination today, pending any outstanding licensure requirements that are applicable. Ellison motioned and Ball seconded, to approve applicant #744 for licensure, pending any outstanding licensure requirements to complete. Motion carried unanimously, with no board members absent.

Other Business: None.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn was made by Ellison; seconded by Overturf. Stanage adjourned meeting at 3:50pm CDT / 2:50pm MDT following unanimous vote to do so (no board members absent).

Respectfully submitted,

Trisha T. Miller, Ph.D.
Secretary

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