Revised Draft Meeting Agenda South Dakota Board of Examiners of Psychologists Video Conference

January 17, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. MST / 9:30 a.m. CST

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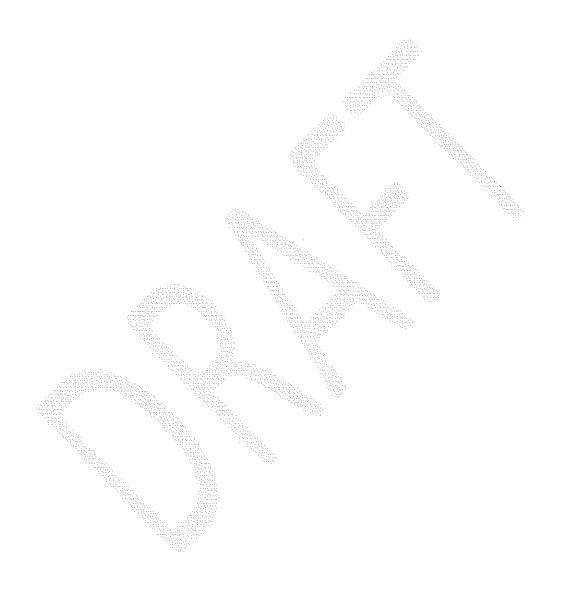
Member Listing:

- 1. Thomas Stanage, Ph.D., President
- 2. Matthew Christiansen, Ph.D., Vice-President
- 3. Trisha Miller, Ph.D., Secretary
- 4. Jeffrey Ellison, Psy.D., Member
- 5. Rosalie Ball, Ph.D., Member
- 6. Vacant, Lay Member
- 7. Brian Roegiers, Lay Member

Purpose: The Board protects the health and safety of the consumer public by licensure of qualified persons, enforcement of the statutes, rules and regulations governing the practice of psychology, including the appropriate resolution of complaints.

- 1. Call to Order/Welcome and Introductions-Stanage
- 2. Roll Call-Stanage
- 3. Conflicts to declare
- 4. Corrections or additions to the agenda
- 5. Approval of the agenda
- 6. Public Testimony/Public Comment Period
- 7. Approval of the Minutes from September 6, 2024
- 8. FY Financial Update
- 9. Board Member Appointment Update
- 10. Election of Officers
- 11. EPPP Part 2 Update from ASPPB
- 12. PSYPACT Updates-Ball
- 13. ASPPB Annual Meeting Report- October 30-November 3, 2024- Miller
- 14. ASPPB Mid-Year Meeting, April 24-27, 2025, Montreal, QC, Canada
- 15. Schedule Next Meeting
- 16. Executive Session-Pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2
 - 1. Complaints- if any
 - 2. Applicant Oral Examinations-if any

- 3. Request for Bid (RFP) Approval to Issue
 17. Applicant Approval-if any
 18. Vote on RFP Approval to Issue
 19. Any other business coming in between date of mailing and date of meeting
 20. Adjourn



SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Teleconference/Video Conference September 6, 2024

Members Present: Thomas Stanage, Ph.D., (President); Matthew Christiansen, Ph.D. (Vice President); Trisha Miller, Ph.D., (Secretary); Rosalie Ball, Ph.D., Member; Jeffrey Ellison, Psy.D. (joined at 9:32am CDT); and Brian Roegiers, Lay Member

Members Absent: Robert Overturf, Lay Member

Others Present: Brooke Tellinghuisen Geddes, Executive Administrator; Katie Funke, Executive 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 9:30am CDT.

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

Corrections or Additions to the Agenda: None.

Ellison joined the teleconference at 9:32am CDT / 8:32am MDT.

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

Public Testimony/Public Comment Period (9:34am CDT / 8:34am MDT): None.

Approval of Minutes from April 11, 2024 Meeting: Christiansen motioned and Ball seconded, to approve meeting minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously; Overturf absent.

FY Financial Update: Tellinghuisen Geddes reported that as of June 30, 2024, year-to-date revenue was at \$71,608.72, year-to-date expenditures were at \$64,467.52, and cash balance was at \$136,119.22. Tellinghuisen Geddes stated the board's finances are slightly better than a year ago at the same time and that the impact of the commencement of PSYPACT has not yet been seen. Tellinghuisen Geddes reported 17 new licenses were issued over the licensure year and 16 licensees did not renew this year, though late renewals have until January 1st, 2025 to renew, so some may still renew. Ellison motioned to accept the financial report as read; Overturf seconded. Motion passed unanimously; Roegiers absent.

Board Member Appointment Update: Tellinghuisen Geddes cited that two recommendations have been submitted as replacements for Ellison, who has chosen not to serve another board term, and Overturf, whose allotment of terms is expiring. Mercer made the board aware the two recommendations have been approved by DSS and turned into the Governor's office to await final approval for appointment. Tellinghuisen Geddes also made board members aware the term allotments for both Miller and Christiansen will be expiring October 2025 so new board members will be needed to fill their positions at that time.

EPPP Part 2 Update: Stanage reiterated plan by ASPPB to move forward with EPPP Part 2 and inquired regarding whether it will require legislative changes to statute or rule changes to drop the Orals Exam. Tellinghuisen Geddes stated perception it would require a rules change rather than statute change. Attorney Tishkoff cited SD 36-27A-22 to inform board members it would be a change to administrative rules.

ASPPB Bylaws Proposed Amendment from Texas: Since last meeting, board members had received a letter submitted by TX Board to ASPPB and its jurisdictions requesting a change to their rules such that individual states could determine whether to implement the EPPP Part 2. Stanage asked board members if anyone felt strongly either way; no board members voiced opinions either way. Miller shared history of discussions at recent ASPPB Conference meetings with the group and stated perception allowance of an individual state's desire may create a slippery slope in similar situations in the future.

PsyPACT Update: Ball, SD's PsyPACT Commissioner, reported that she did attend the new commissioner training and she does have slides she received during the training that she would make available to any board member desiring to see them. Ball reported eight committees were being formed and she was asked to be on the Appeals Committee, but declined due to being new and desiring to become more adept with PsyPACT before doing so. Ball also reported having attended PsyPACT's mid-year meeting via teleconference in July 2024, stating the meeting was well-attended (~ 50) and an overwhelming amount of information was presented. Ball is set to attend the first in-person PsyPACT national meeting to be held November 18-19, 2024, with expenses paid via ASPPB and no expenses to our board.

Identity History Summary Request – PsyPACT: Tellinghuisen Geddes made the board aware of a requirement within PsyPACT which states each state within the compact must implement background checks new applicants at the time of initial licensure. This requirement must begin within ten years of joining PsyPACT. Because SD began July 1st, 2024, we must begin implementing background checks of each new licensee (not just those seeking to utilize PsyPACT) by July 1st, 2034. It is possible to utilize an FBI website for this purpose to eliminate some of the burden. Stanage stated preference to wait as long as possible to begin doing so, to avoid additional costs to our licensees and inquired typical costs. Tellinghuisen Geddes stated it is typically \$18 for an Identity History Summary report plus an additional money for the fingerprinting. The process would require additional waiting for applicants as approvals for licensure would have to await their passing of the background check as our board office must primary source verify the results.

International Practice Discussion: Tellinghuisen Geddes and Miller initiated discussion about the limitations of practice for PsyPACT, inquiring about licensees who may desire to provide services to persons residing overseas, given recent scenarios that have arisen with applicants doing so. Miller cited that in inquiring to ASPPB about an applicant, it was stated that some states are beginning to put specific statements citing licensure is limited to practicing within the United States. Tellinghuisen Geddes cited the PsyPACT requirements specifically state and individual must be physically in their designated home state to utilize PsyPACT. Miller stated concern SD licensees practicing outside of U.S. borders and territories via PsyPACT may present potential risks. Stanage and Tellinghuisen Geddes cited perception that PsyPACT's own requirements are responsible for putting the boundaries in place thus no need for any changes at our state level.

ASPPB Mid-Year Meeting — April 25-28, 2024 (Boston, MA) Miller attended the mid-year meeting and made board members aware a primary topic for our state to weigh in on is the movement toward a master's level licensed psychologist. Miller made the board aware of differences amongst states and individuals with regard to what title to put on this role, what level of and length of time for supervision of these individuals, what limitations on practice should there be for these individuals with regard to psychological evaluations and diagnosis, etc.. Stanage voiced this movement will be very difficult to oppose, given the level of need and numbers showing it not being met by current providers, so Stanage feels we should support this. Stanage voiced awareness of a wide range of Master's level mental health services and perception a better job of training and preparing them for the workforce will be important. Roegiers inquired about the reason for this movement and Miller made the group aware it is arising out of need for a higher number of mental health providers to meet the need. Roegiers stated input for them to have as much supervision of those individuals as possible and to fight for a clear distinction of their role and boundaries of service. Ellison agreed, citing the particular need for limitations on specialty services such as neuropsychology and advised examining what

limitations master's level social workers have in determining what limitations to set. Ellison stated perhaps a model requiring diagnosis first from a doctoral level psychologist then referral to an appropriate master's level clinician could be considered with regard to limitations, in addition to supervision parameters set based on what the individual will be doing. Ball voiced need to advocate for legislation mandating differential reimbursement rates, as it is perceived this is how it is in other fields (e.g., social work vs counselor, physician assistant vs MD). Ball also cited desire for the title to be something very distinguished from psychologist to avoid furthering confusion of roles within the mental health field. Stanage encouraged any board members who have input for Miller to take with her to the upcoming annual meeting to email Miller individually.

ASPPB Annual Meeting – October 30-November 3, 2024 (Houston, TX): Miller has made arrangements to attend this meeting. Primary topics to be discussed at the meeting include EPPP-2, as well as Master's level licensing. Christiansen made a motion to provide the allowances for Miller to attend the meeting, Ellison seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously (Overturf absent). 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: After group discussion, the next board meeting was tentatively set for 8:30am MST /9:30am CST via teleconference on MS Teams on January 17th, 2025.

Tishkoff and Mercer left the meeting prior to executive session.

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

Miller motioned and Ellison seconded to enter executive session at 10:27am CDT/9:27am MDT for purpose of completing a single Oral Examination (Applicant #753). There are no current active complaints. Motion carried unanimously; Overturf absent,

Stanage declared end of Executive Session at 11:03am CDT / 10:03am MDT. Tishkoff re-entered the meeting at 11:03pm CDT / 10:03am MDT.

Applicant Approval: Miller recommended applicant #753 be approved for licensure per passing of the oral examination today, pending any outstanding licensure requirements that are applicable. Ball motioned and Christiansen seconded, to approve applicant #753 for licensure, pending any outstanding licensure requirements to complete. Motion carried unanimously, Overturf absent.

Other Business: None.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn was made by Roegiers; seconded by Ball. Stanage adjourned meeting at 11:04am CDT / 10:04am MDT following unanimous vote to do so; Overturf absent.

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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<u>3-4-10</u>. Replacement of vacancy on appointed board or commission--Time limitation--Person deemed reappointed.

If any position on a board or commission whose members are appointed by the Governor without the consent of the Senate becomes vacant pursuant to § 3-4-1, the Governor must appoint a person to fill the vacancy within one hundred twenty days of the occurrence of the vacancy. If the vacancy is the result of a resignation, the person who has resigned remains on the board or commission until the Governor appoints a person to fill the vacancy or until a date set in writing by the person who resigned, whichever is sooner.

Except as provided below, if a person's term on the board or commission has expired, the person remains on the board or commission until the Governor appoints a person to the new term, and if the Governor has not appointed a person to the new term within one hundred twenty days after the term expired, the person is deemed to be reappointed for another term. If a person is unable to serve an additional term due to a term limit, the person may not remain on the board or commission after the person's term has expired and may not be deemed reappointed under this section.

This section applies to any board or commission whose members are appointed by the Governor without the consent of the Senate unless the board or commission is specifically exempted from this section by law.

Source: SL 2024, ch 19, § 1.



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A New Path Forward: Prioritizing Resolution Over Conflict

ASPPB is united by its mission: supporting our members in fulfilling their responsibility to protect the public. Additionally, ASPPB is guided by its bylaws, which direct the organization to promote cohesion within the regulatory framework of organized psychology, ensuring we build a strong foundation for the long-term success of our shared objectives.

Although the Board of Directors' position remains steadfast—public protection is best achieved by evolving our licensure examination to be comprehensive and competency-based, evaluating not only foundational knowledge but also practical skills—we find ourselves at a pivotal moment. Our collective goals are at risk of being overshadowed by a tug of war, where no clear winners emerge.

A Shift in Approach

In response to ongoing feedback from our membership and the broader professional, educational, and training communities, the Board has decided it is time to shift from conflict to resolution. As such, the Board has passed a motion to pause the October 2022 decision, which outlined that by January 1, 2026, the EPPP would consist of two parts: EPPP (Part 1 – Knowledge) and EPPP (Part 2 – Skills). The current EPPP (Part 2 – Skills) will continue to be available to all jurisdictions as an additional means of assessing applicant competence.

Instead, we will immediately undertake exploring the feasibility of creating a single-session exam that integrates both knowledge and skills assessment—a reimagined EPPP. We plan to begin this process by engaging with our membership at the upcoming meeting in Dallas, where we will actively seek feedback on the operational and regulatory impacts of this potential change. In addition to the Dallas meeting, ASPPB will offer a variety of opportunities (e.g., townhall meetings) for our members and liaisons to provide feedback on this approach.

As we move forward, we continue to be committed to transparency, collaboration, and ensuring that our decisions reflect the collective wisdom of the psychology regulatory community. By embracing a collaborative approach and listening to the voices of our members, we aim to build a stronger, more unified licensure process and uphold our core mission of public protection. Together, we can navigate this important moment in time and shape a future that supports both the growth of our profession and the protection of those we serve.

Respectfully,

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Important Updates from the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards on the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP)

Background: EPPP a New Path Forward

On October 22, 2024, the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB)— in its mission to support members in fulfilling their responsibility to protect the public, and, guided by its bylaws, which direct the organization to promote cohesion within the regulatory framework of organized psychology, ensuring we build a strong foundation for the long-term success of our shared objectives— passed a motion to pause the October 2022 decision, which outlined that by January 1, 2026, the EPPP would consist of two parts: EPPP (Part 1-Knowledge) and EPPP (Part 2-Skills). The current EPPP (Part 2-Skills) will remain accessible to all jurisdictions as a well-developed and standardized tool for comprehensively assessing applicant competence.

The Board of Directors also reaffirmed its commitment moving forward to reimagine the EPPP as a single, integrated examination of both knowledge and skills to best serve and protect the public.

Annual Meeting of Delegates

On October 30, 2024, prior to the ASPPB's 64th Annual Meeting of Delegates, the ASPPB Board of Directors provided an opportunity for dialogue with the membership to discuss the recent motion and bylaws amendment for the delegates' consideration as they faced a vote on a proposed amendment to Article IV of ASPPB bylaws presented by the Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists on July 29, 2024. ¹

The Board of Directors presented to those in attendance the four next steps to be undertaken by the Association. Its aim is a solution that promotes jurisdictional and stakeholder input and engagement, minimizes the burden on jurisdictions and candidates, and protect the public while promoting portability of licensure for psychologists and improved access to quality psychological care. The Board of Directors has committed to the following:

- Establish a Working Group: ASPPB will issue a call for volunteers to serve on a Working Group that will include broad
 representation from jurisdictional members, examination program committees, ASPPB Board of Directors, staff, and liaison
 groups. The Association plans for this group to begin its work in mid-to-late January, focusing on key issues surrounding reimagining the EPPP, such as workforce needs, costs associated with the exam, licensure portability, and access to quality
 mental health care.
- 2. Establishment of an ASPPB Board Subcommittee: This subcommittee will concentrate on supporting the timely development and progress of the reimagined EPPP initiative.
- 3. Quarterly Town Halls: The meetings will kick off in the first quarter of 2025. Members will be able to hear updates from the Working Group and provide input and feedback directly.
- 4. Job Task Analysis (JTA): This process is underway, and it is a crucial part of exam development that maps out essential competencies for entering independent psychology practice. The Working Group and ASPPB Board Subcommittee will reschedule the December JTA meeting to early 2025 so the JTA moves forward taking Working Group input into account.

The ASPPB Board of Directors will continue to provide updates on the aforementioned steps. We look forward to a robust response to the call for volunteers to be issued in December.

Member Delegation Vote

On October 31, 2024, the member delegation had an opportunity to further debate the proposed amendment to the ASPPB bylaws before voting. The amendment failed with a vote recorded as 29 opposed, 12 in favor, and one abstention.

As we progress together in this new path forward, the ASPPB Board of Directors reiterates its continued commitment to transparency, collaboration, and ensuring that our decisions reflect the collective wisdom of the psychology regulatory community. By embracing a collaborative approach and listening to our members' voices, we aim to build a stronger, more unified licensure process and uphold our core mission of public protection.

In respectful service,

The ASPPB Board of Directors

^{2.} The Association may offer multiple exams as part for its examination program. At a minimum, the Association shall offer a knowledge-based exam separate from any skills-based exam. Each exam offered by the Association must be administered on a single occasion. For the purpose of this subsection, multiple consecutive days of exam administration may constitute a single occasion. For each exam, the Association may recommend, but shall not require, qualifications to set for an exam, timing for administration of an exam and passing scores.



ⁱ In summary, the amendment called to add the following sections to Article IV of ASPPB bylaws:

^{1.} No member jurisdiction shall be required, whether as a condition of membership or otherwise, to participate or utilize any services or programs offered by the Association. The Association shall not make access or availability of a service or program contingent on a member jurisdiction participating or utilizing another service or program.

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November 4, 2024

Via U.S. Mail and Email (antitrust@ftc.gov)

Lina M. Khan, Chair Office of Policy and Coordination Bureau of Competition Federal Trade Commission 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20580

Re: Withdrawal of Complaint Against ASPPB Due to Changes in Licensing Examination Requirements

Dear Chairwoman Khan:

I am writing on behalf of the Texas Behavioral Health Executive Council (the "Council") to formally withdraw our complaint filed on June 25, 2024, against the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB). This decision reflects ASPPB's recent shift in approach to the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP) requirements, which directly addresses some of the concerns that led to our complaint.

At ASPPB's Annual Meeting in October 2024, its leadership announced a pause on the 2022 decision to require the EPPP Part 2 (Skills) exam by January 1, 2026. Rather than mandating this additional exam, ASPPB's Board of Directors has chosen to explore a reimagined examination format that would assess both knowledge and skills in a single session. Additionally, ASPPB has indicated that it will seek input from member jurisdictions through a combination of townhall meetings, a newly formed board subcommittee, and a workgroup composed of member jurisdictions and other relevant stakeholders.

In recognition of these developments, the Council has determined that our initial concerns have been sufficiently addressed to warrant withdrawal of our complaint. While ASPPB's approach to licensing examinations is now evolving in a more collaborative manner, the Council will continue to monitor the examination process to ensure it meets the needs of Texas licensees and regulatory bodies alike.

For your reference, we have attached a copy of ASPPB's October 22, 2024 letter, which outlines these changes.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your commitment to promoting fair practices in professional licensure. Should you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (512) 305-7702 or Darrel.Spinks@bhec.texas.gov.

Sincerely,

Darrel D. Spinks

Executive Director, Texas Behavioral Health Executive Council

cc: Budget & Policy Division, Office of the Governor

U.S. Department of Justice, Antitrust Division (antitrust.complaints@usdoj.gov)