

THE KENTUCKY BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGY MINUTES
December 3, 2018

A regular meeting of the Board of Examiners of Psychology was held on December 3, 2018 at the Department of Professional Licensing in Frankfort, KY.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Elizabeth McKune, Ed.D. – Chair
Joseph Dickhaus, M.S. – Vice-Chair
Erica Pristas, Ph.D.
Gerald Walker, Psy.D.
Jean Deters, Psy.D.
Stacy Seale, M.S.

MEMBERS ABSENT

Owen Nichols, Psy.D.
Jamie Hopkins, Ph.D.
Justin Gilfert – Citizen at Large

PUBLIC PROTECTION CABINET STAFF

Isaac VanHoose, Commissioner
David Trimble, Office of Legal Services
Joseph Fawnes, Executive Advisor
Chessica Nation, Board Administrator

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. McKune called the meeting to order at 1:26 p.m.

MINUTES

The minutes of the November 1, 2018 meeting were presented to the Board. Mr. Dickhaus made a motion to approve the minutes. Dr. Pristas seconded the motion and it carried.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT & LEGAL FEES

The financial reports ending October 2018 and November 2018 were presented to the Board.

A motion was made by Mr. Dickhaus to order a plaque commemorating the service of Melissa Hall. The motion was seconded by Dr. Deters and it carried.

LEGAL REPORT

No report.

COMPLAINTS SCREENING COMMITTEE

- Case 14-200 – A motion was made by the Complaints Screening Committee to issue a final order to revoke the license. The motion was seconded by Dr. Pristas and it carried.
- Case 16-06A-C/16-KBEP-0293 – A motion was made by the Complaints Screening Committee to ratify the Settlement Agreement. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dickhaus and it carried.
- Case 16-09/16-KBEP-0294 – See motion for 16-06A-C.
- Case 16-21 – A motion was made by the Complaints Screening Committee to send another certified letter regarding noncompliance and advise the Board is looking at licensure suspension. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dickhaus and it carried.
- Case 17-32 B – See motion for 16-06A-C.

- 17-36 – A motion was made by the Complaints Screening Committee to issue a private admonishment. The motion was seconded by Dr. Pristas and it carried.
- 18-02 – Ongoing.
- 18-05 – A motion was made by the Complaints Screening Committee to dismiss, but to order a Settlement Agreement for 12 hours of continuing education, including 6 hours of training in recordkeeping and disclosure and 6 hours of training in boundaries and high conflict families, to be completed within 12 months. The motion was seconded by Dr. Deters and it carried.
- 18-06– A motion was made by the Complaints Screening Committee to issue a private admonishment. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dickhaus and it carried.
- 2018PSY00007 – Appeal ongoing.
- 2018PSY00009 – Ongoing.
- 2018PSY00013 – A motion was made by the Complaints Screening Committee to dismiss. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dickhaus and it carried.
- 2018PSY00015 – A motion was made by the Complaints Screening Committee to dismiss. The motion was seconded by Dr. Pristas and it carried. The Complaints Screening Committee would like to include in the dismissal notice an encouragement to verify benefits on the day of service.
- 2018PSY00016 – A motion was made by the Complaints Screening Committee to dismiss. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dickhaus and it carried.
- 2018PSY00017 – A motion was made by the Complaints Screening Committee to dismiss. The motion was seconded by Dr. Pristas and it carried.
- 2018PSY00019 – A motion was made by the Complaints Screening Committee to dismiss. The motion was seconded by Dr. Pristas and it carried.
- 2018PSY00025 – Ongoing.
- 2018PSY00026 – A motion was made by the Complaints Screening Committee to dismiss. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dickhaus and it carried.

The members of the Complaints Screening Committee recused from voting on the above recommendations of the Committee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A motion was made by Dr. Pristas to take the actions recommended by the corresponding committees. The motion was seconded by Dr. Walker and it carried.

Supervision Committee

Mr. Dickhaus discussed a temporary LPA who requested an additional extension. The Board advised to approve the extension for six months pending receipt of a remediation plan for the EPPP. The Board also advised if the EPPP has not been passed at the end of this six month extension, the licensee will need to reapply for another temporary license.

Continuing Education Committee

Dr. Walker reported that four applications were reviewed and all were approved.

Credentials Review Committee

Mr. Dickhaus discussed a letter received from an applicant who received a cease and desist letter due to unlicensed practice. The letter explained job duties and from this review the Board determined that her duties include the practice of psychology. The Board advised that she will need to request a temporary license to practice under supervision.

Mr. Dickhaus discussed a foreign-educated applicant with a discrepancy in WES reports. The Board agreed to utilize the most recent report.

Mr. Dickhaus discussed a letter received advising that an individual had begun practicing under the grace period on September 25, 2018. No application for licensure has been received as of this date. A motion was made by the Credentials Committee to issue a voluntary assurance of compliance. The motion was seconded by Dr. Walker and it carried.

Examination Committee

No report.

Disciplined Psychologists Reports

No report.

Newsletter Committee

Mr. Gilfert emailed a draft for review prior to the meeting. All comments/corrections will be emailed to Mr. Gilfert and the Board would like the newsletter to be published by the end of the year.

OLD BUSINESS

Information on D&O Coverage

Ms. Nation advised that the quote is still pending a decision from Finance.

RFP for Investigator

Ms. Nation advised that the RFP for an investigator was reposted on November 26th and will close on December 12th.

NEW BUSINESS

Professional Licensing Bill

Mr. VanHoose, Mr. Trimble, and Mr. Fawnes discussed the professional licensing bill that has been pre-filed. The Board questioned the benefit of an additional layer of state supervision that is proposed. Mr. VanHoose, Mr. Trimble, and Mr. Fawnes advised that this would provide protection for board members from cases similar to the North Carolina Dental Board case. The Board raised concerns regarding cost and members being unable to serve beyond their term ending, even if a new appointment has not been made. Mr. Fawnes advised he will take these concerns back.

Committee Assignments

The Board appointed committee assignments for 2019.

Officer Elections

A motion was made by Dr. Pristas and seconded by Dr. Walker to keep Elizabeth McKune as Chair. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Dr. Pristas and seconded by Dr. Walker to keep Joseph Dickhaus as Vice Chair. The motion carried.

Email Questions

The Board discussed questions received via email. Ms. Nation is to respond to inquiries as discussed.

LICENSURE STATUS REPORT

The Board reviewed the licensure status report.

CANCELED LICENSURE REPORT

There were five (5) canceled licenses for the month of November 2018. A motion was made by Dr. Pristas for a certified letter to be sent to the licensees advising them that their licenses have expired and that they must cease practice. The motion, seconded by Mr. Dickhaus, carried.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

Monday, January 7, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.

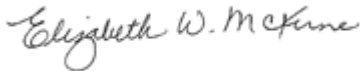
TRAVEL AND PER DIEM

Ms. Seale made a motion to approve payment of travel expenses and per diem compensation for eligible members attending today's meeting and other board business between meetings. The motion, seconded by Dr. Walker, carried.

A motion was made by Dr. Walker to be paid per diem for work done on complaints on December 2nd. The motion was seconded by Dr. Pristas and it carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Dickhaus to adjourn the meeting at 3:52 p.m. The motion, seconded by Dr. Pristas, carried.



Elizabeth W. McKune, Ed.D. - Chair