

**THE KENTUCKY BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGY MINUTES**  
**January 13, 2020**

A regular meeting of the Board of Examiners of Psychology was held on January 13, 2020 in the conference room 127 CW at the Mayo-Underwood building in Frankfort, KY.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jean Deters, Psy.D. – Chair  
Erica Pristas, Ph.D.  
Justin Gilfert – Citizen at Large  
Jamie Hopkins, Ph.D.  
Stacy Seale, M.S.  
Emily Skaggs, Psy.D.  
Elizabeth McKune, Ed.D.

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Joseph Dickhaus, M.S. – Vice-Chair  
Owen Nichols, Psy.D.

**DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSING**

Lyndsay Sipple, Board Administrator  
Chessica Nation, Administrative Section Supervisor  
Isaac VanHoose, Commissioner

**OTHER**

David Trimble, Legal Counsel

**CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Deters called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

**MINUTES**

The minutes of the December 2, 2019 meeting were presented to the Board. It was noted that the December minutes reflected the meetings were moving to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month, when it should have read the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month. Mr. Gilfert made a motion to approve the minutes with changes. Dr. Pristas seconded the motion and it carried.

**MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT & LEGAL FEES**

The November 2019 and December 2019 were presented to the Board.

**DPL REPORT**

Commissioner VanHoose made the Board aware that the Associated Press may be reaching out for a comment regarding a recent list of “credibly accused” persons released by the Roman Catholic Church. Inquiries will be referred to Counsel David Trimble who may draft a response to inquiries relative to Board procedures.

**LEGAL REPORT**

Mr. Gilfert received a quote for an insurance policy for board, and he will be checking other options as this policy was for covering employment practices. Dr. McKune made a motion to reject the current quote due to coverage since the board technically does not have any employees. Dr. Pristas seconded the motion, carried.

Currently there is a Certified Psychologist with Autonomous Functioning working at a practice in Lexington and Anthem is declining her credential, stating it is a no longer recognized. DOI sent an inquiry to Anthem last week and the licensee is requesting the board to become involved to make Anthem aware the credential is still valid. Ms. Seale made a motion to send a letter to Anthem and DOI stating she has an active credential. Dr. Hopkins seconded, carried.

ASPPB is having their meeting in April in Montreal and Dr. Spegal (ASPPB) has offered Mr. Trimble an opportunity to present. Dr. McKune made a motion to send Mr. Trimble to the ASPPB Conference covering all expenses. Mr. Gilfert seconded the motion, carried.

## COMPLAINTS SCREENING COMMITTEE

- 2018PSY00017 – Ongoing
- 2018PSY00022 – Ongoing
- 2018PSY00024 - Ongoing
- 2019PSY00010 – A motion was made by the Complaints Committee to send an injunction to the licensee to amend their website to show that they are not locally licensed. Dr. Skaggs seconded the motion, carried. Note – Dr. McKune recused herself from the conversation and vote.
- No complaint number – A motion was made by the Complaints Committee to file a complaint. Seconded by Mr. Gilfert, carried
- 2019PSY00018; 2019PSY00027; 2019PSY00028; 2019PSY00029 – A motion was made by the Complaints Committee to investigate. Seconded by Dr. Hopkins, carried.
- 2019PSY00020 – A motion was made by the Complaints Committee to dismiss. Seconded by Ms. Seale, carried. Note – Dr. McKune recused herself from the conversation and vote.
- 2019PSY00022 – A motion was made by the Complaints Committee to dismiss. Seconded by Mr. Gilfert, carried.
- 2019PSY00024; 2019PSY00025 - Ongoing

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

## OLD BUSINESS

### **Open RFPs**

The RFPs will be discussed at the February meeting, as some are out of date. Need to discuss RFPs for validating exams as well as cleaning up the complaint process.

## NEW BUSINESS

### **Board membership**

KPA liaison Katie McBride attended the meeting and gave a brief overview of the process for elections of new Board members. KPA runs the elections process and then sends the winner's names to Governor Beshear for appointment. This process generally takes about 5 weeks. Dr. Pristas made a motion to employ KPA to run the elections for new openings on the board if the governor does not appoint from lists previously submitted. Dr. Hopkins seconded the motion, carried.

Board discussed the offerings of board training through ASPPB for new members following possible appointments to vacant seats.

Board will host a retreat in July, 2020. Dates will be determined at the February, 2020 meeting.

### **ASPPB Offerings**

The Board discussed the Plus Program and any interest in members wishing to attend a meeting to provide trainings. Discussed developing an adhoc committee to explore the use of ASPPB Plus Program as a formalized way of gathering and bringing information to the Board. Members include Dr. Deters, Dr. Hopkins and Mr. Dickhaus.

Dr. McKune made a motion for 4 Board members that wish to attend the midyear meeting for ASPPB on April 23 - 26, 2020 be allowed, with expenses paid. Seconded by Ms. Seale, carried.

#### **Email Questions**

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

#### **LICENSURE STATUS REPORT**

The Board reviewed the licensure status report.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A motion was made by Mr. Gilfert to take the actions recommended by the corresponding committees. Dr. Pristas seconded the motion, carried.

#### **Supervision Committee**

No report.

#### **Continuing Education Committee**

No report.

#### **Credentials Review Committee**

Attorney Mark Brengelman questioned the Board about a licensee's ability to obtain CEUs during the grace period of a renewal and whether or not a reinstatement fee is required.

#### **Examination Committee**

The next examination is scheduled for February 10, 2020.

#### **Disciplined Psychologists Committee**

No report.

#### **Newsletter Committee**

No report.

#### **SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING**

Monday, February 10, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at the Mayo-Underwood Building in Frankfort.

#### **TRAVEL AND PER DIEM**

Mr. Gilfert 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. Skaggs, carried.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Dr. Hopkins to adjourn the meeting at 12:40 p.m. The motion, seconded by Dr. Pristas, carried.



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Jean Deters. Psy.D. - Chair