# THE KENTUCKY BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGY MINUTES August 10, 2020

A regular meeting of the Board of Examiners of Psychology was held on August 10, 2020 via Zoom teleconferencing.

## MEMBERS PRESENT

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

## MEMBERS ABSENT

#### DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSING

Chessica Nation, Administrative Section Supervisor Dr. Michael Newman, Commissioner

#### **OTHER**

David Trimble, Legal Counsel Shambra Mulder Candice Hargons

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Deters called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

#### **MINUTES**

The minutes of the July 13, 2020 and July 24, 2020 meetings were presented to the Board. Dr. Hopkins made a motion to approve the July 13, 2020 minutes. Mr. Gilfert seconded the motion and it carried. Dr. Deters made a motion to make edits to the July 24, 2020 minutes and review them again at the September meeting. Mr. Dickhaus seconded the motion and it carried.

## MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT & LEGAL FEES

The July 2020 financial report was presented to the Board.

## **DPL REPORT**

Dr. Newman discussed the departure of the previous administrator and advised that the position has been posted to hire a replacement. Dr. Newman also commended the board on its work transitioning the structured exam to an online format. Dr. Newman and Ms. Nation reported on the process for updating board websites and advised that the psychology website should be updated to a new format very soon.

## LEGAL REPORT

Dr. Deters asked Mr. Trimble for clarification on how COVID-19 orders affect committee meetings and discussions between meetings. Mr. Trimble advised that COVID-19 has not changed open meetings laws. Discussions among less than a quorum can happen in between meetings and do not constitute an open meeting. Actions can only be taken with a quorum during a meeting.

# **COMPLAINTS SCREENING COMMITTEE**

- 15-08A and 15-08B A motion was made by the Complaints Screening Committee to require the
  respondent to submit correspondence directly through board counsel, due to the complexity of the
  communication. Dr. Pristas seconded the motion and it carried.
- 2019PSY00010 Ongoing.
- 2019PSY00018 Ongoing.
- 2019PSY00019 Ongoing.

- 2019PSY00020 Ongoing.
- 2019PSY00027 Ongoing.
- 2019PSY00028 Ongoing.
- 2019PSY00029 Ongoing.
- 2019PSY00031 Ongoing. The Complaints Screening Committee made a motion to offer settlement terms. Dr. Pristas seconded the motion and it carried.
- 2020PSY00001 Ongoing.
- 2020PSY00002 Ongoing.
- 2020PSY00006 A motion was made by the Complaints Screening Committee to initiate a complaint. The motion was seconded by Dr. Pristas and it carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

EPPP Part 2 - The Board discussed that, to its knowledge, this is still on track to roll out in November.

Dr. Deters discussed a possible presentation by board members in conjunction with KPA. She is still working out the details with KPA.

Dr. Deters reported that KPA elections for board members have happened and they are putting the information together to send to the Governor's office soon.

Ms. Seale reported that a few members met with a representative from ASPPB regarding implementing the PLUS system. The goal is for applicants to pay ASPPB directly; however, the current regulations require payment to be made to the Kentucky State Treasurer. The Board asked Mr. Trimble to work on changing the language that would allow the payment to be made directly to ASPPB. In the meantime, the applicants will pay the Board and ASPPB will invoice the Board for payment. The Board decided that the applicant will initiate the application process with ASPPB. Ms. Seale discussed the items on the PLUS checklist and making it match what the Board reviews. A motion was made by Dr. Pristas for Ms. Seale to proceed with PLUS as discussed. The motion was seconded by Dr. Hopkins and it carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Dr. Shambra Mulder gave a presentation on the need for cultural diversity training among psychologists and her proposal to get this implemented. She asked the Board if they would be in support of the legislation. The Board asked for some follow up data. Dr. Mulder will get that information to the Board.

# 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. Mr. Dickhaus seconded the motion and it carried.

## **Supervision Committee**

No report.

#### **Continuing Education Committee**

No report.

## **Credentials Review Committee**

No report.

## **Examination Committee**

Mr. Dickhaus gave an update on the online exams that have been given in the past week. 10 exams were held and 3 failed the oral portion.

Dr. Deters made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(f) at 12:15 pm to discuss exam questions in order to protect confidentiality. Dr. Hopkins seconded the motion and it carried.

Mr. Dickhaus made a motion to come out of executive session at 12:38 pm. Dr. Hopkins seconded the motion and it carried.

## **Disciplined Psychologists Committee**

No report.

# **Newsletter Committee**

Mr. Gilfert reported that he will send out the final copy of the newsletter for review soon.

## SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

Monday, September 14, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

## PER DIEM

Dr. Nash made a motion to approve per diem compensation for eligible members attending today's meeting and other board business between meetings. The motion, seconded by Mr. Gilfert, carried. Additional board business included:

- Erica Pristas: July 28, 2020 for online examiner training; August 6, 2020 for administering exams.
- **Jamie Hopkins**: August 3, 2020; August 4, 2020; August 6, 2020; and August 7, 2020 for administering exams and attending ASPPB meetings.
- **Jean Deters**: August 3, 2020 and August 4, 2020 for administering exams; August 7, 2020 for a call with ASPPB re: PLUS.
- **Joe Dickhaus**: July 28, 2020 for online examiner training; August 4, 2020 for administering exams; and August 7, 2020 for reviewing exam files and a call with ASPPB re: PLUS.
- Brenda Nash: July 28, 2020 for online examiner training; August 6, 2020 for administering exams.
- Elizabeth McKune: July 28, 2020 for online examiner training; August 6, 2020 for administering exams.
- **Stacy Seale**: August 7, 2020 for a call with ASPPB re: PLUS.

Dr. Hopkins made a motion to pay honoraria for the following volunteer examiners. The motion was seconded by Dr. Pristas and it carried.

- David Lanier: August 3, 2020; August 4, 2020.
- **Sally Brenzel**: August 3, 2020; August 4, 2020.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Dickhaus to adjourn the meeting at 12:57 p.m. The motion, seconded by Dr. Hopkins, carried.

Jean Deters, Psy.D. - Chair

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