

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF
EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
Meeting Minutes – September 27, 2013**

The Georgia State Board of Examiners of Psychologists met Friday September 27, 2013, at the Professional Licensing Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

Members Present:

Marsha B. Sauls, Ph.D., President
Linda F. Campbell, Ph.D., Vice President
Donald S. Meck, Ph.D.
William F. Doverspike, Ph.D.
A. Melton Strozier Jr., Ph.D.
Judy Grammer, Consumer Member

Visitors Present:

Barbara Calhoun, Ph.D.
GPA Liaison

Administrative Staff Present:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Serena Gadson, Licensure Supervisor (Apps-Oral Exams)
Chrissy Lewis, CCA I (Complaints)

Assistant Attorney General:

Reagan Dean, AAG

Dr. Sauls, presiding officer, established that a quorum was present and declared the meeting open at 08:40 a.m.

Agenda: Approved as presented

GPA Liaison Report:

Dr. Barbara Calhoun, Ph. D. - GPA Liaison, and the Board discussed the following topics:

- Investigations Inquiries by Members – Board’s procedures;
- Update on GPA and the pending legislation regarding the defining of psychological testing.

The Board reminded Dr. Calhoun of their prior request for time during the next GPA annual conference (2014) to present to the members information on the rules revised over the last year, and, the ASPPB PLUS program currently in the works between the Board and ASPPB.

In addition, the Board expressed their commitment to work with GPA as being very important to the Board. The information provided to the Board by GPA, as well as the information the Board provides GPA, is very important to the Board. The Board welcomes and requests GPA to provide input for the Board’s monthly meetings.

Approval of Minutes:

- August 23, 2013

Dr. Meck motioned, Dr. Strozier seconded, and the Board voted to approve the minutes with corrections from the August 23, 2013 meeting as amended. None opposed, motion carried.

Correspondence:

- K. Cutrell – PsyD title usage

- S. Potter – Post Doctoral Certificate

Dr. Strozier motioned, Ms. Grammer seconded, and the Board voted to approve the administrative staff to respond to the correspondences as discussed. None opposed, motion carried.

PLUS Program:

- The Board briefly discussed Board rules that will be reviewed by Dr. Sauls for any changes necessary for participation in the ASPPB PLUS (Psychology Licensure Universal System) program.
- Work continues between ASPPB and the Board’s representative, Dr. Sauls, toward implementation of the program for Georgia applicants.
- Dr. Sauls will meet with ASPPB representative to go over the final details of the programs implementation.

GPA Annual meeting:

- May 1-4, 2014 in Athens, Georgia

Post-Doctoral Discussion:

The Board continued its discussion, led by Dr. Meck, on an option to allow applicants to complete their post-doctoral requirement during their first year of the licensure cycle rather than prior to licensure. Dr. Meck notated two separate “tracks” the Board could pursue, one being the post-doctoral being pre-licensure, the other post-licensure. This will continue to be an on-going discussion item.

GA Jurisprudence Exam – PSI (Exam Vendor):

- Discussion led by Dr. Campbell for Mr. Zimmerman to contact the exam vendor, PSI, to arrange for another item writing workshop to be held with the Board’s identified subject matter experts and PSI personnel for the maintenance of the pool of questions and versions of the current exam.

Executive Session:

Ms. Grammer motioned, Dr. Strozier seconded, and the motion carried for the Board to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k) (1) (2), §43-1-2-(k) (3) (4), §50-14-2(1) and §43-1-2 (k) (4) to deliberate on applications, oral examinations, complaints, and to receive the Assistant Attorney General’s and Cognizant reports. Voting in favor of the motion were Sauls, Campbell, Meck, Doverspike, Strozier and Grammer.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, September 27, 2013, Dr. Sauls declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No Board votes were obtained during Executive Session.

Applications:

Dr. Strozier motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations on Applications for Licensure by Examination, Endorsement Reinstatement, Temporary Permits and Contracts. None opposed, motion carried.

Licensure by Examination:

L. C.
C. G.
E. J.
J. J.
A. M.
L. O.
J. P.
J. R.
J. S.
S. W.

Recommendation:

Approved to sit for exam
Pending receipt of additional information
Approved; pending receipt of additional information
Approved to sit for exams
Approved to sit for exams

Licensure by Endorsement:

A. A.
T. A.
K. B.
A. J.
S. J.
L. K.
L. L.
M. M.
L. P.
L. W.

Approved to sit for exams
Pending receipt of additional information
Approved to sit for exams
Denied
Approved to sit for exams
Approved to sit for exam

Licensure by Reinstatement:

T. R.

Approved, Pending Consent Order with Terms &
Conditions

Post-Doctoral Contracts:

J. R.
S. R.
S. S.

Contract approved
Contract approved
Contract approved

Temporary Permits:

Donahue, Angela
Mohandie, Krishnan
Yohman, Robert

Permit approved
Permit approved
Permit approved

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Meck seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations on Applications for Oral Examinations. None opposed, motion carried.

Oral Examination

Blagg, Christopher
Dunn, Jason
Garrison, John

Approved for licensure
Approved for licensure
Approved for licensure

Humpage, Christopher
Landa, Maria

Approved for licensure
Approved for licensure

Assistant Attorney General's Report:

Assistant Attorney General, Reagan Dean provided the Board with a written status report which included information on any cases referred for action.

Dr. Meck motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to accept the signed voluntary Cease and Desist Order for Mr. Joey Garmon. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Ms. Grammer seconded and the Board voted to accept the signed Interim Public Consent Order from Dr. Holly Byrd. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Strozier motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Attorney General's report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Cognizant/Enforcement Report: Dr. Meck updated the Board on the status of all open complaint cases.

Recommend Closure:

- PSYC130016, PSYC120024 and PSYC130025
- PSYC130051 – Additional Correspondence (To Remain Closed)

Referrals to AG's office:

- PSYC130041

Referrals to Other Entities and/or Agencies:

- PSYC130037

Other Discussion:

- PSYC130012, PSYC120065,
- PSYC140004 and PSYC140005 – Reschedule Investigative Inquiry

Additional Report (Dr. Meck is Recused form these cases):

- PSYC120044, PSYC120054 and PSYC120061

Dr. Strozier motioned, Ms. Grammer seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Cognizant report and recommendations as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Approval of Executive Session Minutes:

- August 23, 2013

Dr. Strozier motioned, Ms. Grammer seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Executive Session minutes of the August 23, 2013 meeting as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

There being no further business, Dr. Doverspike motioned, Ms. Grammer seconded, and the Board voted to adjourn today's meeting at 4:10 p.m. None opposed, motion carried.

Minutes recorded by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director HC-1

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director HC-1

DR. MARSHA B. SAULS, PH.D.

BRIG ZIMMERMAN

Chair

Executive Director Healthcare 1

These minutes were approved on: October 28, 2013