

**GEORGIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS**  
**Board Meeting Minutes – November 18, 2016**

The Georgia Board of Examiners of Psychologists met Friday, November 18, 2016, at the Professional Licensing Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

**Members Present:**

Marsha B. Sauls, Ph.D., Chair\*

\*(Joined meeting via telephone @ 10:54 a.m.; arrived @ 1:07 pm)

Linda F. Campbell, Ph.D. – Vice-Chair

William F. Doverspike, Ph.D.

Melton Strozier Jr., Ph.D.

Donald S. Meck, Ph.D.

Judy Grammer, Consumer Member

**Administrative Staff Present:**

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

Linsey Brookins, Board Support Specialist

Tiffany Jordan, Licensing Analyst

**Assistant Attorney General:**

Reagan Dean, AAG

Dr. Campbell, Vice- President, in the absence of the Board President, established that a quorum was present and declared the meeting open at 8:42 a.m.

**Agenda:** Approved as presented

**Executive Session:**

**Dr. Strozier motioned, Dr. Doverspike 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 administer the Board Oral Exams, receive the AAG and Cognizant (complaints) reports, conduct investigative interviews, review the prior meeting executive session minutes and deliberate on applications. Voting in favor of the motion were Campbell, Meck, Strozier, Grammer, and Doverspike.**

**At the conclusion of the mornings Executive Session on November 18, 2016, Dr. Campbell 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.**

**Board Administered Oral Exams:**

- J.B.
- B.G.
- J.R.
- S.R.
- J.S.

**Recommendation:**

Passed; issue license  
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Passed; issue license

**Dr. Strozier motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to approve the recommendations on all oral examination candidates. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Applications:**

- A.B.
- A.H.
- T.O.
- N.K.
- A.L.
- Y.O.
- J.S.

**Recommendation:**

Approve to begin exams  
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**Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Strozier seconded, and the Board voted to approve the recommendations on all applications as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Cognizant/Complaints Report:**

- **Recommend for Closure: No additional action required:**  
PSYC160018, PSYC170011 and PSYC170013
- **Recommend Pending receipt of additional information:**  
PSYC140022, PSYC170015, PSYC170016, PSYC170017 and PSYC170018
- **Recommend to refer to AG's Office:**  
PSYC150003, PSYC150006

**Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Strozier seconded, and the Board voted to approve the recommendations of the Cognizant on all complaints presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Attorney General's Report:**

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

**Ms. Grammer motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations on the AG's Report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Board Meeting Executive Session Minutes:**

- October 28, 2016

**Recommendation:**

Accept as presented

**Ms. Grammer motioned, Dr. Strozier seconded and the Board voted to approve the October 28, 2016 Executive Session meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Board Meeting Minutes:**

- October 28, 2016

**Recommendation:**

Accept as presented

**Ms. Grammer motioned, Dr. Strozier seconded and the Board voted to approve the October 28, 2016 Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Correspondence:**

- Soety, E. – Supervision of Licensee/Psychological – *For Board information only*

**GPA Liaison Report:**

- William Buchanan and Michael Johns, President of GPA, met with the Board to discuss concerns regarding the new proposed Composite Board Rule 135-12-.01.
- The Board voted to compose a letter to the Composite Board expressing their concerns regarding the lack of organization and consultation with the Psychology Board in relation to the formation of New Board Rule 135-12.01 Testing and Assessments.
- The Board stated for these minutes it objects to the proposed new rule by the Georgia Composite Board in its entirety.

**Board Rules Discussion: (Ongoing Discussion)**

- 510-9-.01 Temporary License
- 510-9-.04 License for Volunteer Service

*(The Board continued to table discussion of the above referenced rules to a future meeting date)*

**Petitions for Waiver/Variance**

- Bliss, S. – Rule 510-2-.04 Education Requirements
- Breus, M. – Rule 510-8 CE’s/Renewal

**Ms. Grammer motioned, Dr. Strozier seconded and the Board voted to deny the petition requests for S. Bliss and M. Breus, each due to failure to provide evidence of a substantial and verifiable hardship being demonstrated or proven that the strict application of the rules referenced would impose if strictly adhered to in their respective cases. None opposed, motion carried.**

Appropriate written decisions will be disseminated to the petitioners stating the relevant facts and reasons supporting the Board decisions.

**Application Ratify List:**

Issue Date: 10/27/2016 – 11/17/2016

<b>License No.</b>	<b>Licensee</b>	<b>Profession Name</b>
PS-T001002	Jessica Ann Robbins	Psychology
PSY004055	Chelsea Lodge Hickey	Psychology
PSY004056	Zachary Dicker Friedman	Psychology
PSY004057	Jennifer Christine Johnson	Psychology
PSY004058	Anna Monica Agoston	Psychology
PSY004059	Kathryn Lynch Bigalke	Psychology
PSY004060	Margaret Elizabeth Johnson	Psychology

**Dr. Strozier motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to approve the ratification list as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**There being no further business, Dr. Strozier motioned, Ms. Grammer seconded and the Board voted to adjourn today’s meeting at 3:33 p.m.**

**Minutes recorded by:**

Linsey Brookins, Board Support Specialist

**Minutes reviewed and edited by:**

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

**MARSHA B. SAULS, Ph.D.**

**BRIG ZIMMERMAN**

Chair

Executive Director Healthcare 1

These minutes were approved on: **December 16, 2016**