GEORGIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS Conference Call Board Meeting Minutes * March 20, 2020

The Georgia Board of Examiners of Psychologists met via teleconference Friday, March 20, 2020, 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 Scott C. Smith, Psy.D. William F. Doverspike, Ph.D. Emily Burton, Ph.D.

Administrative Staff Present:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist Members Absent/Vacant Seats:

Consumer Member (Vacant Seat)

Assistant Attorney General: Betsy Cohen, Esq., A.A.G

Dr. Marsha Sauls, President, established that a quorum was present and called the Board meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Agenda: Approve as presented

<u>Visitors Present</u>: The Board had 17 participants on today's call, in addition to the Board members and administrative staff. The Board was unable to obtain the names of every participant on the call, but would like to thank them for being a part of today's meeting.

Following discussion, the Board voted to adopt and post the following statement in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic:

<u>Georgia Board of Examiners of Psychologists Guidance Statement:</u> In person CE Hours requirement waived for the December 31, 2020 expiration date/renewal cycle

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, notwithstanding any other rule or provision of law, and pursuant to O.C.G.A § 43-39-15: The requirements of in person attendance or participation for obtainment of continuing education hours for the 2020 renewal cycle are hereby waived.

All continuing education hours must be obtained, but the hours may be obtained online, through webinars, SKYPE or other electronic means.

Dr. Campbell motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to adopt the above statement and waive the requirement for in person CE hours for the 2020 renewal period, as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

There being no further business for discussion, Dr. Burton motioned, Dr. Sauls seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 8:16 a.m.

Minutes recorded by: Minutes reviewed and edited by:

MARSHA SAULS, Ph.D. President Minutes approved on: March 27, 2020 Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

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