

GEORGIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
Board Meeting Minutes * January 22, 2021
Conference Call/ZOOM

The Georgia Board of Examiners of Psychologists met via teleconference/ZOOM Friday, January 22, 2021. The Board's Executive Director hosted the meeting from 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.

Members Absent:

George Bratcher, Consumer Member

Administrative Staff Present:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist
Amanda Allen, Licensing Supervisor

Assistant Attorney General:

Bryon Thernes, Esq., AAG

Dr. Marsha Sauls, President, established that a quorum was present and called the Board meeting to order at 8:34 a.m.

Agenda: Approve

Visitors Present: (Open Session)

Michael Rose, Ph.D., GPA Liaison
Gayle Spears, Executive Director, GPA
Dr. Arthur Bennett, Ph.D., Applicant
Dr. Becky Beaton, Ph.D.

GPA Liaison Report:

Dr. Gayle Spears, Executive Director, provided updates on GPA to the Board.

Correspondence:

- H. Rhoades – Request for Release from Public Board Order – *Approve*
- L. Bigham – RE Fellowships and Internship – *Refer to Board rules and seek guidance from your supervisor*
- ASPPB and COVID-19 Taskforce Survey – *Board Chair will complete survey and submit back to ASPBB*

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted approve the request for release from the Public Board Order of H. Rhoades as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Campbell motioned, Dr. Smith seconded, and the Board voted approve the recommendation for the Board staff to respond accordingly to the above correspondence. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Smith seconded, and the Board voted 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 conduct the scheduled Board appearance, receive the Cognizant (complaint) and AG reports, review the prior

- A.B. Tabled, Pending receipt of additional information
- S.J. Approve for Oral Exam
- S.B. Approve to begin exams

Dr. Smith motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted to approve the recommendations on all applications as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Board Administered Oral Exams:

- A.B. Pass; Issue License
- C.C. Pass; Issue License
- F.R. Pass; Issue License
- B.W. Pass; Issue License
- S.P. Pass; Issue License
- R.P. Pass; Issue License
- S.A. Pass; Issue License
- L.H. Pass; Issue License

Recommendation:

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

Petition for Rule Waiver/Variance:

- S. Bakhshi – Rule 510-2-.05

Recommendation:

Petition Granted; Approve to move forward with licensure process

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition requests for and S. Bakhshi as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Meeting Minutes:

- December 18, 2020 C.C./Zoom Board Meeting

Recommendation:

Approve as presented

Dr. Burton motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to approve the December 18, 2020 Conference Call/Zoom Board meeting minutes as amended. None opposed, motion carried.

Application Ratify List: Issued Date: 12/18/2020 - 1/21/2021

license No	Licensee
PS-T001082	Jenny C. Chang
PSY004462	Allison Jaye Schwartz
PSY004463	Delvida Licette Long
PSY004464	Svetlana Viktorovna Markova
PSY004465	Christine Lyn Hook
PSY004466	Ashley Marie Rankin
PSY004467	Daniel Tomas Pardo
PSY004468	Amanda Blandford Kriegel
PSY004469	Cecelia Rose Ribuffo
PSY004470	Sabrina Na

Dr. Smith motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to approve the ratification list as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Executive Session Meeting Minutes:

- December 18, 2020 C.C./ZOOM Board Meeting
- January 15, 2021 Cognizant Committee (Inv Int's)

Recommendation:

Approve as Presented
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Dr. Campbell motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted to approve the December 18, 2020 Conference Call/ZOOM Board executive session meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Campbell motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted to approve the January 15, 2021 Conference Call/ZOOM Board Executive Session Cognizant Committee meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Board Rules Discussion:

- 510-2-.01 Appl for Licensure
- 510-3-.01 Appl Process (Endorsement)
- 510-3-.02 Qualification (Endorsement)
- 510-7-.01 Renewal
- 510-7-.02 Reinstatement
- 510-7-.03 Inactive Status
- 510-9-.01 Temporary License
- 510-9-.03 Permission for Limited Practice

Recommendation:

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Dr. Burton motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to refer the amendments to Board rule 510-2-.01 to the AG's office for review and a Memo of Statutory Authority, posting for public rule hearing upon receipt. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Campbell motioned, Dr. Smith seconded, and the Board voted to refer the amendments to Board rule 510-3-.01 to the AG's office for review and a Memo of Statutory Authority, posting for public rule hearing upon receipt. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Smith motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to refer the amendments to Board rule 510-3-.02 to the AG's office for review and a Memo of Statutory Authority, posting for public rule hearing upon receipt. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Campbell motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to refer the amendments to Board rule 510-7-.01 to the AG's office for review and a Memo of Statutory Authority, posting for public rule hearing upon receipt. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Campbell motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to refer the amendments to Board rule 510-7-.02 to the AG's office for review and a Memo of Statutory Authority, posting for public rule hearing upon receipt. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Burton motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to refer the amendments to Board rule 510-7-.03 to the AG's office for review and a Memo of Statutory Authority, posting for public rule hearing upon receipt. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Campbell motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to refer the amendments to Board rule 510-9-.01 to the AG's office for review and a Memo of Statutory Authority, posting for public rule hearing upon receipt. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Smith seconded, and the Board voted to refer the amendments to Board rule 510-9-.03 to the AG's office for review and a Memo of Statutory Authority, posting for public rule hearing upon receipt. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Smith seconded, and the Board voted to post for a public rule hearing the amendments to Board rules 510-2-.04. None opposed, motion carried.

2020-2022 Biannual Renewal Cycle CE Hours:

GA Board of Examiners of Psychologists Guidance Statement - Continuing Education Hours - REVISED

In person continuing education (CE) Hours requirement for next renewal cycle - December 31, 2022

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, notwithstanding any other rule or provision of law, and pursuant to OCGA § 43-39-15, the requirements of in person attendance or participation for obtainment of continuing education hours for the 2022 renewal cycle are hereby waived as follows:

- Continuing education hours obtained during the year 2021 may be obtained online from approved sponsors through webinars, SKYPE, ZOOM or other electronic means and will be counted for the 2022 renewal cycle. (Note: If all 40 CE Hours required for renewal are obtained in the year 2021, then the CE Hour renewal requirement has been met for this 2022 renewal cycle).
- CE hours obtained after 2021 in the second year of the renewal cycle, the year 2022, will be subject to all requirements of Board rule 510-8 Continuing Education Requirements.
- For the purposes of a Continuing Education Hours audit by the Board at renewal, the CE Hours Report form must be submitted along with your certificates of obtainment of the hours to the Board for the audit.
- Continuing Education Hours for the reactivation or reinstatement of a lapsed or revoked license also may be obtained online as stated above for applications received on or before December 31, 2021.

Adopted 01/22/2021 Board Meeting

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Smith seconded, and the Board adopt the above guidance statement for the continuing education hours for the 2020-2022 renewal period as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

New EPPP Two Part Exam – Knowledge Part 1 and Skills Part 2 – Endorsement Applicants:

The Board previously adopted the new two-part EPPP licensure exam as the required exam for licensure in Georgia. Previously only the original Part 1 Knowledge exam was required.

This requirement became effective November 1, 2020. Regarding those who apply for Georgia Board licensure by **Endorsement**, if they were licensed in another state or jurisdiction **on or after November 1, 2020**, then they will be required to have passed both parts of the exam.

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Endorsement statement as presented above. None opposed, motion carried.

There being no further business for discussion, Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

MARSHA SAULS, Ph.D.

President

Minutes approved **February 26, 2021**

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