

GEORGIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
Board Meeting Minutes * March 26, 2021
Conference Call/ZOOM

The Georgia Board of Examiners of Psychologists met via teleconference/ZOOM Friday, March 26, 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:

Reagan Dean, Esq., AAG
Tommy McNulty., AAG

Dr. Marsha Sauls, President, established that a quorum was present and called the Board meeting to order at 8:42 a.m.

Agenda: Approve as presented

Visitors Present: (Open Session)

Michael Rose, Ph.D., GPA Liaison
Gayle Spears, Executive Director, GPA
Hope ?, Visitor

GPA Liaison Report:

Dr. Gayle Spears, Executive Director, provided updates on the GPA activities to the Board. The Board would like to acknowledge and congratulate GPA for receiving the most "Outstanding State, Provincial, and Territorial Psychological Association" award by the 2021 Division 31 (of the American Psychological Association).

Petitions for Rule Waiver/Variance:

- J. Langley
- S. Milne

Recommendation:

Grant
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Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Smith seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition for the rule waiver/variance for J. Langley as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Smith motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition for the rule waiver/variance for S. Milne as presented. None opposed, motion carried

Board Rules Discussion:

- 510-2-.05 Internship and Postdoctoral Supervised Work Experience

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted to refer the amendments to Board rule 510-2-.05 Internship and Postdoctoral Supervised Work Experience to the AG’s office for review and a Memo of Statutory Authority, posting for public rule hearing upon receipt. None opposed, motion carried.

Meeting Minutes:

- February 26, 2021 C.C./Zoom Board Meeting

Recommendation:

Approve as presented

Dr. Burton motioned, Dr. Smith seconded, and the Board voted to approve the February 26, 2021 Conference Call/Zoom Board meeting minutes as amended. None opposed, motion carried.

Application Ratify List: Issued Date: 2/26/2021 - 3/25/2021

license No	Licensee	Profession name
PSY004480	Cristina Alexandra Anderson	Psychology
PSY004481	Katherine Elizabeth Pickard	Psychology
PSY004482	Alexandra Catherine Dowd	Psychology
PSY004483	Matthew Joseph Breiding	Psychology
PSY004484	Jenny C. Chang	Psychology
PSY004485	Kristian Peter Nitsch	Psychology
PSY004486	John O. Mohammadioun	Psychology
PSY004487	Christina Nicole Clarke	Psychology

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

Dr. Smith motioned, Dr. Burton 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 meetings executive session minutes and review/deliberate on applications. Voting in favor were Board members Sauls, Campbell, Doverspike, Smith and Burton.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on March 26, 2021, Dr. Sauls declared the meeting “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No Board votes obtained during Executive Session.

Dr. Smith motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted approve the recommendation for the Board staff to respond accordingly to the above executive session correspondence as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Attorney General’s Report:

A written status report was not provided to the board. Assistant Attorney General’s Reagan Dean, Esq. and Thomas McNulty, Esq. were present for the Board meeting and presented two requests from the legal counsel of licensees to the Board for discussion and a vote.

PSYC200038:

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted approve the request as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

PSYC200034:

Dr. Smith motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted to deny the request as presented, initial Board decision and vote stands. None opposed, motion carried.

Cognizant – Complaint Report/Recommendations:

Recommend Closure: PSYC210002, PSYC210027 and PSYC210030

Recommend Schedule for Investigative Interview: PSYC210032

Recommend Refer to Investigations: PSYC210034 and PSYC210035

Recommend Pending Receipt of Additional Information: PSYC160001, PSYC210015, PSYC210024, PSYC210028, PSYC210029, PSYC210031 and PSYC210033

Recommend Referral to AG’s Office: PSYC190011 and PSYC200052

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted to approve all the recommendations of the Cognizant as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Applications:

- W.A.
- H.P.
- C.H.
- J.G.
- A.M.
- J.T-P
- T.O.
- C.C.
- J.S.
- B.R.
- D.C.
- H.P.
- A.T.
- S.S.
- J.L.
- S.J.
- L.I.
- S.M.

Recommendation:

- Approve to sit for exam
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- Approve to sit for exam
- Approve for reinstatement
- Approve to sit for exam
- Approve to sit for exam
- Approve to sit for exam
- Tabled, Pending receipt of additional information
- Approve to sit for exam

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

Board Administered Oral Exams:

- M.H.
- W.K.

Recommendation:

- Pass; Issue License
- Pass; Issue License

- K.C. Pass; Issue License
- Q.Q. Pass; Issue License
- J.V-W. Pass; Issue License
- M.B. Failed, Schedule for Full Board Oral Exam

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

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted on a failing score on the follow up oral examination for M.B., and to schedule for Full Board Oral Exam pursuant to Board Rules. None opposed, motion carried

Executive Session Meeting Minutes:

- February 26, 2021 C.C./ZOOM Board Meeting

Recommendation:

Approve as Presented

Dr. Campbell motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted to approve the February 26, 2021 Conference Call/ZOOM Board executive session meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried

There being no further business for discussion, Dr. Smith motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

MARSHA SAULS, Ph.D.

BRIG ZIMMERMAN

President

Executive Director Healthcare 1

Minutes approved **April 23, 2021**