

GEORGIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
Conference Call/ZOOM Board Meeting Minutes
March 24, 2023

The Georgia Board of Examiners of Psychologists met via teleconference/ZOOM Friday, March 24, 2023. 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
William F. Doverspike, Ph.D.
Emily Burton, Ph.D.
Scott C. Smith, Psy.D.

Members Absent:

George Bratcher, Consumer Member

Administrative Staff Present:

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

Assistant Attorney General:

Bryon Thernes, AAG

Visitors Present: (Open Session)

Anita Catus, Ph.D., GPA DPA
Alexandra Scott
Cristy
Kelli Bishop

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

Agenda: Approve with no additional items:

Georgia Psychological Association - Liaison Report:

Dr. Catus provided updates on ongoing GPA activities and upcoming events. Discussion with the Board included that CE Peer Consultation hours must be completed/applied under Area II - Ongoing Peer Group Consultation of Board Rule 510-8-.02, not Area V -Self Instructional Activity.

Petitions for Rule Waiver/Variance:

- M. de la Serna – 510-8-.02
- S. Leedy-Ellis – 510-8-.02
- C. Guarnaccia - 510-8-.02

Recommendation:

Deny; no proven hardship
Grant
Grant

Dr. Campbell motioned, Dr. Sauls seconded, and the Board voted to deny the petition request for M. de la Serna for failure to demonstrate a substantial hardship as required. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Smith motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition for A. Leedy-Ellis as discussed and presented. None opposed, motion carried

Dr. Smith motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition for C. Guarnaccia as discussed and presented. None opposed, motion carried

Meeting Minutes:

- February 24, 2023 C.C./Zoom Board Meeting

Recommendation:

Approve as Presented

Dr. Burton motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to approve the February 24, 2023 Conference Call/Zoom Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Application Ratify List: Issued Date: 2/24/2023 - 3/23/2023

License No,	Licensee
PS-P000286	Margaret Adams Crewdson
PS-P000287	Emily Nicole Bailey
PS-T001115	Wayne Spencer Stein
PS-T001116	Trista Alese Perez Crawford
PSY004684	Catherine Lauris Thompson Worthington
PSY004685	Sally Beth Galanti
PSY004686	Annie Dillon Holleman
PSY004687	Andrea Sue Morse
PSY004688	Robert R Henderson
PSY004689	John E Bradford
TOTAL:	10

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

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to enter 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 review the Cognizant (complaint) and AG reports, review the prior meetings executive session minutes, review/deliberate on applications and oral exams. Voting in favor were Board members Sauls, Campbell, Doverspike, Smith, Burton.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on March 24, 2023, 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.

Cognizant – Complaint Report:

- **Recommend Closure:** PSYC220038, PSYC230011(* S. Smith Recused), PSYCH230012, PSYC230021 (Companion case w/ 230020), PSYC230023,
- **Refer to Investigations/Pending Investigative Report:** PSYC230010
- **Schedule for Investigative Interview:** PSYC230009
- **Refer to AG’s office:** PSYC220017
- **Recommend OMPE:** PSYC190032
- **Pending Receipt of Additional Information:** PSYC180033, PSYC220024, PSYC230009, PSYCH230017, PSYC230018, PSYC230020 (Companion Case with 230021), PSYC230022, PSYC230024

Dr. Campbell motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted to refer PSYC220017 to the AG's office for a Public Board Order as presented. None opposed, motion carried

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Smith seconded, and the Board voted to close the case and send respondent a C&D Letter; to release the complaint file contents of PSYC220038 and refer to the VA Board as presented. None opposed, motion carried

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

Attorney General's Report:

Bryon Thernes, Esq., AAG provided a status report for Board review and discussion. Proposed rule amendment memos presented to the Board.

Dr. Burton motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Assistant Attorney General's reports as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

2022 Final Renewal Issues:

- E.B.

Recommendation:

Refer to AG's office for Public Board Order, \$500 fine

Dr. Burton motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to refer E.B. to the AG's office for a Public Board order for failure to meet CE renewal requirements as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Petition for Release from Board Order:

- J.D.

Recommendation:

Schedule for Interview

Applications:

- V.N.
- S.A.
- C.R.
- M.W.
- E.N.
- T.D.
- B.F.
- S.P.
- Y.S.
- T.N.
- L.M.G.
- M.S.
- A.D.
- S.M.

Recommendation:

Denied – does not meet licensure requirements as outlined in Board Rule 510-2-.01

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Denied – does not meet licensure requirements as outlined in Board Rule 510-3-.01

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Approve to sit for exam(s)

Tabled; Pending receipt of additional information

Dr. Smith motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to deny the application for licensure for V.N. for failure to meet licensure requirements as outlined in Board Rule 510-2-.01. presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Smith motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to deny the application for licensure for L.M.G. for failure to meet licensure requirements as outlined in Board Rule 510-3-.01. presented. None opposed, motion carried

Dr. Smith motioned, Dr. Campbell seconded, and the Board voted to deny the application for licensure for M.S. for failure to meet licensure requirements as outlined in Board Rule 510-3-.01. presented. None opposed, motion carried

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

Board Administered Oral Exams:

- Shaena Gardner
- Trista Perez Crawford
- Michelle Tuer
- Avivah McPherson

Recommendation:

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

Executive Session Meeting Minutes:

- February 24, 2023 C.C./ZOOM Board Meeting

Recommendation:

Approve as presented

Dr. Campbell motioned, Dr. Smith seconded, and the Board voted to approve the February 24, 2023 ZOOM Executive Session Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at 3:23 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed, and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

MARSHA SAULS, Ph.D.

President

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Executive Director Healthcare 1

Minutes approved on: **April 28, 2023**