

**TENNESSEE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN PSYCHOLOGY
MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: June 9, 2022

TIME: 9:00 a.m., CDT

LOCATION: Health Related Boards
665 Mainstream Drive
Nashville, TN 37243

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Fleming, PhD, Chair
Deborah Carter, PhD.
Tyler Overstreet, Sr.PE
H.R. Anderson, Sr.PE
Alicia Victory
Catherine Terry
Timothy Arentsen

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Susan Douglas, PhD
Neelam Jain, PhD
Jennifer Winfree, Consumer Member

STAFF PRESENT: Diana Hunley, Board Director
Lisa Williams, Board Administrator II
Jessica Turner, Associate General Counsel

Ms. Hunley called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. A roll call vote was conducted and a quorum was present. The meeting was turned over to Board Chair, Dr. Fleming.

Review/Approve Minutes

Upon review of the March 30, 2022 minutes, Mr. Overstreet made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Anderson. The motion carried.

Office of Investigations Report

Roger Knowlton, Intake Specialist for Office of Investigations, presented the investigations report for opened and closed complaints for the year 2022 for the year to date for psychologists, psychological examiners and certified psychological assistants.

Office of General Counsel

Ms. Turner, Office of General Counsel, stated that there are no consent orders, no agreed orders and there are eight open cases in OGC currently. She reminded the board of the conflict-of-interest policies. Presented the disciplinary coordinator OGC report.

Administrative Report

Ms. Williams presented the board administrator report.

As of 6/6/2022

Psychologists	PE/SPE	CPA
Active Licensees – 1481	Active Licensees – 283	Certified – 65

LICENSING STATUS SINCE LAST MEETING

Psychologists		PE/SPE		CPA	
Application in Process	18	Application in Process	0	Application in Process	3
New Licensed	10	Upgrade to SPE	0	New Licensed	2
Renew	177	Renew	17	Renew	6
Online 80%	142	Online 63%	11	Online 100%	6
Retired	5	Retired	1	Retired	1
Expired	8	Expired	4	Expired	0
Reinstated-Retired	2	Reinstated-Retired	0	Reinstated-Retired	0
Reinstated-Expired	3	Reinstated- Expired	0	Reinstated- Expired	1

An agreed citation for **Roxanne Norvell** was brought before the board for a lapsed license. The lapsed license was reinstated after submitting an agreed citation. A motion was made by Dr. Victory to accept the agreed citation, seconded by Dr. Carter. The motion carried.

Discuss and Ratify/Deny Newly Licensed and Reinstated Psychologists

Newly Licensed

Dr. Arentsen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Overstreet to ratify the following newly licensed Psychologists:

Psychologists

- Bitting Brian
- Bolton Corey James
- Brower Kristi
- Gregory Melissa
- Hughes Taylor Douglas

- Labuschagne Zandre
- Lesczynski Ben N
- Phillips GERALYN Marie
- Williams Brittany Victoria
- Zuckerman Stephanie Nicole

A vote was conducted and all were in favor. The motion carried.

Dr. Victory made a motion, seconded by Mr. Overstreet to ratify the following newly licensed Psychological Assistant:

Psychological Assistants:

Desilva Zariah A

Hicks Charles Cullen

A vote was conducted and all were in favor. The motion carried.

Dr. Arentsen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Overstreet to ratify the following reinstated licensees:

Reinstated Licensees

Buckelew Susan Phillips

Norvell Roxanne

Monn Amy

Walker Kenneth Edward.

Morelock Martha Jane

Wylie Scott

A vote was conducted and all were in favor. The motion carried.

Discuss and Ratify/Deny Newly Licensed and Reinstated Behavior Analysts

Newly Licensed

Dr. Terry made a motion, seconded by Mr. Overstreet to ratify the following newly licensed Behavior Analysts:

Behavior Analysts

Bennett Nora Kamille

Gibbs-Francis Jordan A

Blanchard Jennifer M

Haje Kylie

Brien Courtney

Hendricks Haley B.

Burnett Ashley Idell

Horton Whitney Taylor

Burse Chardai

Ikola Jennifer Cierra

Compton Emily T

James Nikki Kayla

Connor Niki Renee

Jarrell Amy Lynn

Corbitt Dana

Keene Jenna Nycole

Costlow Stephanie Ann

Kidd Leslie Nicole

Crane Nichole

Kraus Anne

Daily Sarah Marie

Leseney Samantha M

Dryden Katie

Martin Kimberly R

Duncan Cynthia

Matthews Florence E.

Fairbairn Gabrielle R

Messmer Natalie Renee

Ferguson Shannon

Morris Shaunda Houck

Ferrara Ashlee

Nostin Stephanie D

Ollivier Nicole
Patel Deepa Ramesh
Roberts Miriah
Spiesser Nathalie H
Steiner Megan F

Waltman Lori
Wilson Hali Alexis
Winslow Haley A
Zimmerman Ian A
Demchak Maryann

A vote was conducted and all were in favor. The motion carried.

File Review

The file of **Kenneth Lloyd** was presented for full board review. A motion was made by Dr. Victory to accept Ohio documents in place of the required TN documents, to accept the application, to approve the taking of the Ethics and Jurisprudence Exam and licensure upon passing the exam, seconded by Dr. Arentsen. The motion carried.

Correspondence

A letter was received from **Whitney Loring** requesting to waive the post-doctoral provisional license. A brief discussion ensued with Dr. Auble pointing out that the program was not an APA or APPIC program. A motion was made by Mr. Overstreet to deny the wavier of the post-doctoral provisional license, seconded by Dr. Carter. The motion carried.

Tennessee Psychological Association

Dr. Pamela Auble made the board aware that TPA has a neuropsychology committee and one thing they are working on is drafting possible future legislation about certification for testing technicians. This position would be a lower level of certification than the CPA requirements which is a master's level requirement. It would probably be bachelor's level with some additional training. It will be a supervised position and is not drafted at this time. She presented to the board the bill that was passed concerning the temporary license. The bill allows the applicant with the temporary license to take the EPPP exam twice and gives them a thirty day grace period after failure of the second exam to transfer care. The thirty day grace period was also put into the provisional license after failure of the EPPP exam twice.

Tennessee Colleague Assistance Foundation

Dr. Brian Wind presented to the board the TCAF update letter and board report updating them on the current position with TCAF. He also presented Dr. Thomas' document concerning procedures for insuring confidence and trust in TCAF's transparency, accountability and integrity. There is nothing in place on how we share confidential information. There are statutes in place that protect confidential information. The board just needs to know the outcome and whether TCAF can advocate for that person. The question is how does TCAF speak up, defend themselves, share some of that information without violating the statutes. For the first case that received a complaint, they appointed a director of quality assurance. They were also audited by the state. A possibility is that the board could appoint an independent third-party auditor of TCAF to review a case in question and report back to the board that TCAF has done their due diligence without any

confidential information being imparted or if the foundation was biased and unfair and the case needs to be revisited. Dr. Fleming stated that the board does support TCAF and the board will look further at the proposal as well as any future correspondence received concerning this issue and how other states handle complaints concerning denial of advocacy.

Discussion of Rule 1180-02-.02(2)(a)(1) Requiring 1900 Hours

Dr. Fleming directed the board to the rules concerning the requirement of 1900 hours for pre-doctoral internship and that some applicants come from states that required less hours and then have to go before the full board for approval of their application because they do not meet the 1900 hours required. Ms. Turner pointed out that the 1900 hours is in the statutes at 63-11-208(d)(1)(A) and the board cannot change this. The board discussed the inconsistencies between the differing decisions from one case to the next. The board will continue to review on a case-by-case basis as per the statutes.

Rule of 30 Continuing Education

Ms. Turner pointed out that the CE rules require 30 CE's from a new licensee even if they have only a few months in the year to obtain those CE's. Dr. Fleming stated that it sounded like the first initial cycle needed to be prorated. Ms. Turner presented a draft to the rules to prorate the required CE's for the first initial cycle. The prorated CE's must be fifty percent real time interaction and twenty five percent APA approved. They must also include three CE's in ethics, statutes and rules and 3 CE's in cultural diversity to be completed within the first couple of months. The total number of CE's required would be six for one, two or three months. Eight CE's total are required for four or five months. Ten CE's total are required for six or seven months. Twelve CE's are required for eight months. Fourteen CE's are required for nine months. Sixteen CE's are required for ten months. Eighteen CE's are required for eleven months. Twenty CE's total are required for twelve or thirteen months. Twenty-Two CE's are required for fourteen months. Twenty-Four CE's are required for fifteen months. Twenty-Six CE's are required for sixteen months. Twenty-Eight CE's are required for seventeen months. Thirty CE's are required for eighteen months. Dr. Fleming called for a motion to adopt the motion as presented by legal counsel. A motion was made by Dr. Arentsen and seconded by Dr. Victory. The motion carried.

Ethics and Jurisprudence Exam Committee

Dr. Fleming gave an update on the committee's progress. Currently they are doing an item analysis on each question. Dr. Auble mentioned that they considered if there was bias in the exam questions. After an informal research, it appears that there may be bias and they discussed ways to address this. They also addressed the absence of questions on the exam that should be based on situations that caused psychologists to get in trouble concerning ethics and the rules. They also discussed moving forward with the technological method of giving the exam.

ASPPB Midyear Conference

Dr. Fleming attended and gave a brief overview of the conference. The APA (American Psychological Association) has decided to give APA accreditation to the master's program in

psychology. Also discussed was the validity of program accreditation, barriers to licensure and north American standards for licensure and registration in regard to mobility and standardization.

ASPPB Annual Conference in National Harbor, MD October 26 – 30, 2022

Dr. Fleming called for a motion to send two board members and one staff member to the conference. Dr. Victory made the motion, seconded by Mr. Overstreet. The motion carried.

FARB Form on Professional Regulation in Nashville, TN January 26 – 28, 2023

Dr. Fleming called for a motion to send two board members and one staff member to the conference. Dr. Arentsen made the motion, seconded by Mr. Overstreet. The motion carried

With no other Board business to discuss Mr. Overstreet made a motion, seconded by Mr. Anderson to adjourn at 11:24 p.m. A vote was taken and all were in favor. The motion carried.

Ratified by the Tennessee Board of Examiners of Psychology September 9, 2022.