

**THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY  
REGULATORY COMMITTEE MINUTES  
May 16, 2016**

The Virginia Board of Psychology ("Board") Regulatory Committee meeting convened at 10:15 a.m. on May 16, 2016 at the Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia. Herbert Stewart, Ph.D., Board Chair, called the meeting to order, in the absence of William Hathaway, Ph.D., Committee Chair.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** William Hathaway, Ph.D., Chair  
Giordana Altin de Popiolek, Psy.D  
Barbara Peery, Ph.D.  
Thomas Ryan, Ph.D.  
Herbert Stewart, Ph.D.  
Susan Wallace, Ph.D.  
James Werth, Jr., Ph.D., ABPP

**DHP STAFF PRESENT:** Sarah Georgen, Licensing Manager  
Deborah Harris, Licensing Manager  
Jaime Hoyle, Executive Director  
Charlotte Lenart, Licensing Specialist  
Jennifer Lang, Deputy Executive Director  
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Policy Analyst

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM:**

With six members of the Committee present, a quorum was established. At 10:32am Dr. Hathaway arrived changing the quorum to seven members of the Committee present. Dr. Hathaway thanked Dr. Stewart for conducting the meeting in his absence.

**EMERGENCY EGRESS:**

Dr. Stewart announced the Emergency Egress Procedures.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

The agenda was accepted as written.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There was no public comment.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Upon a motion by Dr. Werth, the meeting minutes from June 16, 2015 were approved as written. The motion was seconded and carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Psychological Assessments

The Board discussed the creation of an inter-disciplinary committee which would include each Board of the Behavioral Sciences Unit in order develop a guidance documentation regarding the use of the term “psychological assessment.”

Dr. Hathaway agreed to represent the Board of Psychology by completing a preliminary draft of a guidance document on psychological assessment to be reviewed by the inter-disciplinary committee.

Telehealth Therapy

Dr. Stewart made a motion, which was properly seconded, to create a subcommittee consisting of Dr. Stewart, Dr. Wallace and Dr. Werth to review and make recommendations on a strategy of developing language regarding telehealth therapy to be included in the Regulations along with developing a Guidance Document.

**BREAK:**

The Committed broke for lunch at 11:45am and reconvened at 12:08 p.m.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Standards of Practice Review

Following discussion of the Standards of Practice of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Psychology and the Regulations Governing the Certification of Sex Offender Treatment Providers, the Committee agreed to review and make recommendations to Ms. Hoyle to be discussed at the next meeting. Ms. Hoyle will collect the comments from each member and provide the recommendations in a form of a draft document.

Upon a motion by Dr. Wallace, which was seconded and carried, the Committee decided to issue a Notice of Intended Regulatory Action (“NOIRA”) for a periodic review of the Regulations.

Applied Psychology Review

The Committee reviewed the letter received by the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (“ASPPB”) regarding their examination program. After discussion by the Committee, it was decided that the Board would look to professional applied psychology organizations and to Licensed Applied Psychologist for input and guidance regarding the requirements and standards of practice for Applied Psychologists.

Exemptions to Licensure

Ms. Yeatts recommend that the Committee seek legal guidance from the Attorney General’s

office on the interpretation of exceptions of licensure specifically regarding out-of-state providers testifying as expert witnesses in Virginia.

ASPPB Report

Dr. Werth and Dr. Stewart attended the ASPPB Midyear Meeting from May 4 -7, 2016 in Anchorage, Alaska. Dr. Werth provided a written summary of the major points of discussion from the meeting.

Dr. Stewart made a motion to refer to the Virginia Association of Clinical Psychologist (“VACP”) for their preliminary opposition or agreement to the Psychology Inter-jurisdictional Compact (“PSYPACT”). After discussion, Dr. Stewart withdrew his motion.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:**

The Regulatory Board Committee decided to meet again in July 2016 with the day to be determined based on availability.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Board meeting was adjourned at 1:57 p.m.

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William Hathaway, Ph.D., Chair

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Jaime Hoyle, Executive Director