



Virginia Board of Psychology
Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 04, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.
9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, VA 23233
Training Room 1

PRESIDING OFFICER: William Hathaway, Ph.D., Chair

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Cheryl Snyder, Citizen Member
Danielle Spearman-Camblard, Psy.D.
Gary Sibcy, Ph.D., Vice Chair
Karen Trump, Ed.D.
Madeline Torres, QMHP-A, Citizen Member
Sonal Pancholi Doran, Psy.D.
Stacey Hoffmann, Psy.D. (*left meeting at 11:13 am*)
Timothy Barclay, Ph.D.

BOARD STAFF PRESENT: Maria Stransky, LPC, CSOTP, CSAC, Executive Director
Jennifer Lang, Deputy Executive Director
Krystal Blanton, Discipline and Compliance Case Specialist
Meagan Ohlsson, Senior Licensing Specialist

DHP STAFF PRESENT: Matt Novak, Agency Regulatory Coordinator, DHP (*left meeting at 11:13 am*)

BOARD COUNSEL PRESENT: James Rutkowski, Assistant Attorney General

CALL TO ORDER: Dr. Hathaway called the meeting to order at 10:00a.m.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM: At the time of roll call, Ms. Ohlsson noted that with nine members present, a quorum was established.

MISSION STATEMENT: Dr. Hathaway read the mission statement of the Department of Health Professions and the emergency egress procedures.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: The agenda was adopted as presented.

PUBLIC ATTENDEES: Jennifer Shaw, Psy.D.
Joseph McMenamin, Esq.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Board reviewed the minutes of the August 25, 2025, meeting and adopted them as presented.

BOARD COUNSEL REPORT: Mr. Rutkowski indicated that his role as the Assistant Attorney General in the Virginia Office of the Attorney General is changing to Section Chief due to a promotion. Mr. Rutkowski will continue in his current role until a replacement is provided.

LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY REPORT: **Chart of Regulatory Actions**
Mr. Novak reviewed the regulatory actions chart dated April 28, 2026. He reported that HB255 passed during the 2026 General Assembly Session and discussed the implications of its passage. The Board will discuss this topic at a future meeting to evaluate potential advantages and disadvantages of consolidating the scope of practice of School Psychologists into the scope of psychological practitioners and/or clinical psychologists.

STAFF REPORTS: **Executive Director's Report:**
Ms. Stransky reported that ASPPB has implemented an additional charge of \$50 for ESL candidates and \$9 an hour for those candidates seeking extra time. These costs will be incurred by the Board.

Ms. Stransky reminded the Board that Dr. Hathaway, Dr. Sibcy and Ms. Snyder's board appointments will expire 06/30/2026 and encouraged them to seek reappointment. Ms. Stransky thanked the members for their dedicated service and work.

Ms. Stransky instructed the Board to vote for a new Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact Commissioner (PSYPACT). Dr. Pancholi Doran expressed an interest in serving in this role.

Motion: Dr. Sibcy moved, which was properly seconded by Dr. Spearman-Camblard to nominate Dr. Pancholi Doran as the new Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact Commissioner (PSYPACT). The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Lang and Ms. Stransky attended the Virginia Sex Offender Treatment Association Conference (VSOTA) in Richmond, VA on April 29-30, 2026. Ms. Lang gave a presentation.

Discipline Report:
Ms. Lang referred to the disciplinary report, starting on page 23. She also welcomed Ms. Stransky as Executive Director, noting that she has transitioned smoothly into the role. She congratulated Mr. Rutkowski on his promotion and thanked him for his years of service representing the boards. Ms. Lang added that she presented at the Virginia Sex Offender Treatment Association Conference on April 29, 2026.

Licensing Report:
Ms. Stransky provided a summary of Ms. Lenart's report, starting on page 62. Ms. Stransky acknowledged Ms. Lenart's retirement from the agency effective June 26, 2026. She thanked her for her dedicated service to the Behavioral Sciences Unit.

OLD BUSINESS:

Examination Requirement Discussion

The board discussed changing the guidance document 125-3 language to coincide with 18VAC125-20-57 to remove clinical psychology and school psychology as a degree requirement. Following discussion, the Board agreed to refer this matter to the Regulatory Committee for further discussion.

PRESENTATION:

Psychological Practitioner Credentialing Reviewer Update

Dr. Chapman provided a summary of the comparisons relating to the required coursework requirements in the general knowledge of the specific discipline and competencies as referenced in guidance document 125-3. Dr. Chapman suggested the board consider providing a description of each content area on the Areas of Graduate study form. Following discussion, the Board agreed to refer this matter to the Regulatory Committee for further discussion.

Dr. Hathaway thanked Dr. Chapman for her work with the review of the psychological practitioner license applications.

RECESS:

The Board recessed at 11:13 a.m.

RECONVENTION:

The Board reconvened at 11:25 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

Conference Updates

Dr. Sibcy attended the Virginia Psychological Association Conference (VACP) in Richmond on October 11, 2025. Dr. Sibcy reported there was discussion regarding the length of time for complaints to be resolved.

Dr. Hathaway attended The Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards Conference (ASPPB) in Charlotte, NC on April 17-18, 2026. Dr. Hathaway reported the current EPPP (Part 1-Knowledge) and EPPP (Part 2-Skills) will remain available to all approved candidates until the integrated EPPP takes effect in the fourth quarter of 2027. He also reported concerns over use of AI technology and its usage. The Board will include this topic on a future meeting agenda.

Dr. Trump and Dr. Pancholi Doran attended the (VACP) Conference in Staunton, VA on April 18, 2026. Dr. Trump reported there were discussions regarding the impact of AI. Dr. Pancholi Doran reported there was discussion regarding the length of time for complaints to be resolved. She further reported there were discussions on billing, insurance and coding regarding those licensed as psychological practitioners. Dr. Pancholi Doran reported that there were concerns that psychological measures are being used by social workers who are not licensed psychologists.

Dr. Shaw provided a verbal statement. Dr. Hathaway thanked Dr. Shaw.

Motion: Ms. Torres moved, which was properly seconded by Ms. Snyder to move to closed session.

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RECESS:

The Board recessed at 12:58 p.m.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened at 1:14 p.m.

Motion: Dr. Spearman-Camblard moved, which was properly seconded by Dr. Sonal Pancholi to closed session.

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RECOMMENDED DECISIONS: Consideration of Recommend Decisions

Dr. Hoffmann recused herself from the recommended decision consideration due to a conflict of interest.

Jennifer Shaw, Applicant for licensure by exam

Case No. 246758

Dr. Shaw provided the Board with a written response to the recommended decision. Additionally, she appeared at the board meeting with her attorney and provided a statement to the board members. The board considered Dr. Shaw's written and verbal statements, and the agency subordinate's recommendation to deny the application for licensure as a clinical psychologist.

Closed Meeting:

Dr. Spearman-Camblard moved that the Board of Psychology convene in a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* to consider recommended decisions from the agency subordinate in the matters of Hemini Naik, Psy.D., LCP, and Jennifer Shaw, Applicant for LCP by Exam. She further moved that James Rutkowski, Maria Stransky, Jennifer Lang, and Meagan Ohlsson attend the closed meeting because their presence was deemed necessary and would aid the board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Reconvened in Open Meeting ♦ Dr. Spearman moved to certify that, pursuant to § 2.2-3712 of the *Code of Virginia*, the Board of Psychology heard, discussed, or considered only those public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as identified in the original motion. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Decision:

Upon a motion by Dr. Pancholi Doran, and duly seconded by Ms. Snyder, the board unanimously voted to refer the matter of Jennifer Shaw, Applicant, to a formal hearing.

Recess:

The meeting recessed at 12:58 p.m. and reconvened at 1:14 p.m.

Hemini Naik, LCP

License No. 0810004315

Case No. 223176

Dr. Naik did not appear before the board and did not submit a written response. The board considered the agency subordinate's recommendation for a reprimand.

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Reconvene:

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Decision:

Upon a motion by Dr. Trump, and duly seconded by Ms. Dr. Pancholi Doran, the board unanimously voted to refer the matter of Hemini Naik, LCP, to a formal hearing.

NEXT MEETING DATE:

The next full Board meeting is scheduled for August 10, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Hathaway adjourned the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

Signed by:

Maria Stransky

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Maria Stransky, LPC, CSOTP, CSAC, Executive Director

8/21/2026

Date