

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY
REGULATORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
August 30, 2021**

TIME AND PLACE: Dr. Ball called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. on Thursday, February 7, 2020, in Board Room 4 at the Department of Health Professions (“DHP”), 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

PRESIDING OFFICER: J.D. Ball, Ph.D., ABPP, Regulatory Committee Chair

MEMBERS PRESENT: Christine Payne, BSN, MBA
James Werth, Jr. Ph.D., ABPP

STAFF PRESENT: Jaime Hoyle, JD, Executive Director
Jennifer Lang, Deputy Executive Director
Charlotte Lenart, Deputy Executive Director – Licensing
Elaine Yeatts, DHP Senior Policy Analyst

CALL TO ORDER: Dr. Ball called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

After completing a roll call of Board members and staff, Ms. Hoyle indicated that a quorum was established.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Ms. Payne made a motion, which was properly seconded, to approve the April 12, 2021 Regulatory Committee Meeting minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Ball and Dr. Werth requested changes to the Stakeholder Meeting minutes. Staff will make the recommended changes and provide an updated version at the Quarterly Board meeting.

ORDERING OF AGENDA: Dr. Ball stated that the legislative and regulatory report will be moved to the beginning of the meeting in addition to adding a discussion on the periodic review of the Regulations Governing Delegation to an Agency Subordinate. Additionally, the Committee will add an item related to PSYPACT Regulations requiring APA education to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: There was no public comment.

CHAIR REPORT: No Report.

LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATIONS REPORT: **Chart of Regulatory Actions**
Ms. Yeatts discussed the chart on regulatory actions as presented in agenda packet.

Periodic review of the Regulations Delegation to an Agency Subordinate

Ms. Yeatts and Ms. Lang provided information on the use of Agency Subordinates.

Motion: *Dr. Werth moved, which was properly seconded, to recommend to the full Board that the Regulations Governing Delegation to an Agency Subordinate be continued without amendment. The motion passed unanimously.*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Report on Stakeholder Meeting

Dr. Ball provided a summary of the Stakeholders' meeting with Psychology Training Directors on Licensure Matters as provided in the agenda.

ASPPB Development of the EPPP - Part 2/ Skills Examination

After a lengthy discussion on the possible adoption of the EPPP - Part 2 skills examination requirement, the Committee decided to table the decision until such time as the Committee can review additional ASPPB EPPP-Part 2 testing data (particularly examinee pass/fail rates).

Action item: Once ASPPB releases the data, the Committee will review the discriminatory EPPP - Part 2 pass/fail data of examinees from the early-adopter states.

Psychological Clinical Science Accreditation System (PCSAS) Accreditation

After a long discussion, the Committee decided that, in order to consider whether the PCSAS accreditation body should be a Board approved accredited agency, the Committee will need to receive and review a copy of the written accreditation requirements for PCSAS programs that have been standardized across all programs. It also will be worthwhile for the entire Board to hear arguments on this matter from PCSAS doctoral program representatives in Virginia.

Action item: Invite PCSAS representatives to present and provide written accreditation requirements for PCSAS programs for the Committee's review.

Master's level psychology licensure

The Committee discussed the possibility of a limited license for master's level psychologists. After a lengthy discussion, the Committee agreed to begin researching and discussing possible title, practice guidelines, examination and training criteria needed in order to consider a master's level license.

Action item:

Staff to research and provide the Committee a summary of models/requirements of master's level psychology licensure in other states.

Break:

The Board took a break at 3:00 p.m. and resumed at 3:14 p.m.

Guidance Document on Social Media

Dr. Ball indicated that he modified the working draft guidance document on social media after receiving comments from Dr. Brown and other Board members. Dr. Ball stated that he sent the working draft to the Virginia Academy of Clinical Psychologist (VACP) for their input. VACP thought it was helpful and straight forward and had no concerns.

Motion: *Dr. Werth made a motion that was properly seconded to approve the draft document as presented and move it forward to be reviewed by the full Board and staff. Board members and staff should provide their feedback prior to the next Committee meeting in December. The motion passed unanimously.*

PSYPACT

The Committee discussed the controversy over PSYPACT rules requiring licensees to provide evidence of graduating from an APA accredited university.

This rule disenfranchises three different groups licensed by the Board:

- Senior psychologists licensed prior to APA accreditation of doctoral programs (1985);
- Industrial Organizational (IO) Psychologists; and
- Those licensed under the endorsement section of Board regulations who did graduate from an APA accredited (or equivalent) school.

The PSYPACT Commission has indicated that they will address rules that impact senior psychologists.

The Committee supports PSYPACT requiring a license at the doctorate level but does not support PSYPACT only allowing licensees who graduated from an APA-accredited program.

NEXT MEETING:

The next Regulatory Committee meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 3:51 p.m.

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