S.C. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN PSYCHOLOGY

TELECONFERENCE BOARD MEETING

Friday, April 23, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Shirley A. Vickery, Chairperson Martha R. Durham Isabelle N. Mandell - Vice Chair -Absent Sandra G. McCloy Alisa C. Liggett-Absent

Staff Present:

Kate Phillips, Counsel, Communications and Governmental Affairs Stacey Hewson, Advice Counsel Roselind Bailey-Glover, Board Administrator Tina Brown, Disciplinary Counsel Angela Baldwin, Investigations Nadine Garnett, Court Reporter

Public Notice of this meeting was properly posted at the office of the South Carolina Board of Examiners in Psychology, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, 110 Centerview Drive in Columbia, SC, was posted on the Board website and provided to any requesting persons, organizations, and news media in compliance with Section 30 4-80 of the 1976 South Carolina Code, as amended, relating to the Freedom of Information Act. A quorum is noted as *present/not present*. All votes referenced herein were unanimous unless otherwise indicated.

In accordance with the Governor's directives regarding social distancing, the meeting was held via teleconference. Members of the public who wished to attend did so by telephone. The telephone number and access code were provided on the posted agenda.

Approval of the Agenda

<u>Motion:</u> Dr. Durham made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded and approved by Dr. McCloy. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Approval/Disapproval of Absent Members

<u>Motion:</u> Dr. McCloy made a motion to approve the absence of Dr. Mandell and Dr. Liggett. The motion was seconded and approved by Dr. Durham. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Approval of the February 26, 2021 Meeting Minutes

<u>Motion</u>: Dr. Durham made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from February 26, 2021 with a correction on page one. The motion was seconded by Dr. McCloy. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Chair's Remarks:

Dr. Vickery said a few word about the new legislation being considered for Behavioral Analysts, Bill H.3731. This is a highly trained group of people. The issues were, which board, Counselors or Psychology, should this new licensure be housed under or if they should have their own board. The current thoughts are that the Behavioral Analysts should be under the Psychology board which was equipped in different specialties and do this type of work. Board members agreed the license should not be placed under the Counselors Board since the roots of the services provided are in psychology. As of this meeting, the House nor the Senate have met but plan to on May 5, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. at the Gressette Building in downtown Columbia. The spokesperson will be Dr. Vickery.

Also, there has been no update on the Compact Bill.

Administrative Reports:

Ms. Bailey-Glover addressed the board and stated the Cash Report was provided as information only. Board members reviewed the report and asked that Ms. Glover obtain an explanation for the board members of the difference between direct and indirect expenditures and provide that information to board members at the next meeting.

Ms. Bailey-Glover directed board members to the revised 2021 Board Member Reference Manual for their review. There was also an update on the 2021 licensure renewal preparation. Revisions to the renewal questions would be complete by 5/1/2021, the renewal portal should open by 8/1/2021 and the all licenses not renewed by 11/30/2021 will lapse.

CEU Repository Presentation:

Deb Carter and Jason Grubb

Deb Carter from CE Broker presented information on how to set up a Basic Free Account and how CE Broker can assist the board with CEU audits which was strongly encouraged. CE Broker would provide a brochure to Ms. Bailey-Glover that can be posted on the board's website for licensees to reference. Ms. Carter stated that licensees who create the Basic Account would have indefinite access to their CEU information. Ms. Bailey-Glover will have the CE Broker information added to the renewal notices

<u>Motion</u>: Dr. Durham made a motion for Ms. Bailey-Glover to move forward with notifying licensees to use CE Broker. The motion was seconded by Dr. McCloy. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Appointment of Alternate IRC Member - Dr. Virginia Cooper is confirmed.

Application Hearings:

Dr. Lynette C Smith – Attended a Non-APA accredited school and testified on her own behalf. She submitted a corrected preliminary application to correct the 2012 graduation date error. She stated that even though the school she attended was not APA accredited, the education was consistent with the requirements recognized by the Department of Education. She completed three years of full time study, practicum, and 1,700 additional internship hours. She is currently licensed in four (4) other states. Only the Illinois license is current. Oregon, Kansas and Colorado licenses are expired.

Dr. Vickery asked several questions regarding cognitive core courses in psychology and that she was not looking for skills classes as indicated in courses 8230; 6710; 6620 and 6705, but cognitive affective courses and the differences. Dr. Smith needed to gather more information.

<u>Motion</u>: Dr. McCloy made a motion to go into executive session for legal advice. The motion was seconded by Dr. Durham. All were in favor and the motion passed.

<u>Motion</u>: Dr. Durham made a motion to go into return to public session. The motion was seconded by Dr. McCloy. All were in favor and the motion passed.

<u>Motion</u>: Dr. McCloy made a motion to allow Dr Smith a continuation and to return to the next board meeting with more information to support her application. The information should be submitted to Ms. Bailey-Glover for the boards review. The motion was seconded by Dr. Durham. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Disciplinary Hearing: Review

Case 2018-17 MOA Return to board for follow-up. Case originally heard on 9/25/2020. This was a closed hearing and the audience was placed in the virtual locked lobby.

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<u>Motion</u>: Dr. McCloy made a motion to return to public session. The motion was seconded by Dr. Durham. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Motion: Dr. Durham made a motion to suspend the license as of 6/1/2021. A private order would be issued and the respondent must provide to the board a report stating to whom he referred existing clients. Provide the board with new test results for the Vice Chair to review. Provide the board with a report from a licensed Psychologist who has reviewed recordkeeping and treatment plans for past six (6) months. The information should be submitted to Ms. Bailey-Glover for the boards review at the September 24, 2021 meeting. The motion was seconded by Dr. Durham. All were in favor and the motion passed.

New Business

Travel/Teleconference Meetings – Discussion and Vote

Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB) Annual Meeting would be held in October 2021. More information would be provided at the next meeting.

Discussion Topics

Return to Workplace and Status of Board Meetings – Discussion and Vote

Board members reviewed the memorandum of March 8, 2021 from LLR Director, Emily Farr regarding the return of state employees back to the office. Director Farr wanted to know if the board wanted to continue virtual meetings for the time being or return to in person sessions. Ms. Bailey-Glover explained the challenges of remaining socially distant and still conducting business with the general public and the current lack of space. Board members decided to remain virtual for now.

National Register of Health Services Psychologists:

APA Regulations - Guidelines for TELEPRACTICE in SC – Review for website posting and move the APA information under the resources link for laws and policies. Ms. Bailey-Glover will look in to what that would entail.

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<u>Motion</u>: Dr. Durham made a motion to approve the language on the website to include the CARES ACT language, recognizing that there are two different alerts on the website cover two separate issues. Dr. McCloy seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Review NEW Licensee Reports with Demographics: – Information only

The 2018 APA Center for Workforce Studies (CWS) Report was provided to board members as information only. Dr. Mandell wanted a map of South Carolina licensees with dots showing where they were located in the state. Ms. Bailey-Glover stated the board did not have the capacity to create maps, but data could be pulled to show information by state and would check into providing a new report for the next meeting.

New Licenses Issued: 2/23/2021 – 4/16/2021

There were a total of nine (9) new licenses issued from 2/23/2021 – 4/16/2021

New Licenses Issued Since the Last Renewal: 11/30/2019 – 4/16/2021 = 96

Count of All Licensees by State = 976

Board Member Report Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB) 2021 Virtual Annual Conference, Friday, March 12 – Saturday, March 13, 2021 (13 CE Hours Available). Information only.

Board Member Report:

Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB) **36**th **Midyear Meeting**, April 9-10, 2021. Dr. Vickery presented at the midyear meeting while Dr. Durham and Mandell attended the sessions.

Public Comments – There were none.

Board Meeting Dates Remaining – 2021. Provided as information only.

Lunch (Time of Lunch was at the discretion of the Board Chair)

Adjournment: 4:00 p.m.

Motion: Dr. McCloy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Dr. Durham. All were in favor and the motion passed.