

MINUTES

SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN PSYCHOLOGY

Friday, September 12, 2025 – 9:00 a.m.
Synergy Business Park – Kingstree Building
Upstate Conference Room
110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, SC 29210

Board Members Present

Andrea “Andie” Eaton, Psy.D., Chair
David E. Barrett, Ph.D., Vice Chair
Amanda J. Cleveland, Ph.D., Member
Marjorie G. Cloninger, Ph.D., Member
Claire Phillips, Psy.D., Member

Absent Member

Amanda Grant., Member
Mary-Catherine M. Riner, Ph.D., Member
Nicholas Bagnell, Psy.D., Member

SCLLR Staff Members Present

Megan Flannery, Advice Counsel
Virginia Wetzel, Office of Communications and Governmental Affairs
Sherrie Butterbaugh, Office of Disciplinary Counsel
Yarikza Alexander, Office of Investigations
Pam Dunkin, Board Executive
Shaun Strother, Program Coordinator

Present

Creel 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, 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. All votes referenced herein were unanimous unless otherwise indicated.

NOTE: These Minutes are a record of the motions and official actions taken by the Board and a brief summary of the meeting.

Meeting Called to Order

Dr. Andrea “Andie” Eaton, Psy.D., Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Approval of the Agenda

MOTION

On the motion of Dr. Cleveland, seconded by Dr. Cloninger, the board voted unanimously to approve the agenda. The motion passed.

Approval/Disapproval of Absent Members

MOTION

On the motion of Dr. Phillips, seconded by Dr. Cloninger, the board voted unanimously in favor to approve the absences of Dr. Nicholas Bagnell, Dr. Mary-Catherine M. Riner and Dr. Amanda Grant. The motion passed

Approval of the Minutes – June 13, 2025

MOTION

On the motion of Dr. Cloninger, seconded by Dr. Cleveland, the board voted unanimously in favor to approve the June 13, 2025 minutes. The motion passed.

Chair Remarks:

Dr. Eaton addressed the board.

Legislative Update: Virginia Wetzel, LLR Office of Communications and Governmental Affairs

Ms. Wetzel provided the board with legislative updates regarding, “Bills” and the new Oath of Office process.

Application Hearings

- a. **Stephan Daddis:** The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Dr. Daddis should be allowed to proceed in the initial licensure process for a Psychology license in South Carolina. Dr. Daddis was present and not represented by legal counsel.

MOTION

On the motion of Dr. Barrett, seconded by Dr. Cleveland, the board voted unanimously to go into executive session to receive legal advice regarding Dr. Daddis application. The motion passed.

MOTION

On the motion of Dr. Cleveland, seconded by Dr. Barrett, the board voted unanimously to come out of executive session and reconvene in public session. The motion passed.

MOTION

On the motion of Dr. Cleveland, seconded by Dr. Cloninger, the board voted unanimously to approve Dr. Daddis to move forward in the licensure process. The motion passed.

- b. **William Key:** The purpose of this hearing was to determine if Dr. Key should be allowed to proceed in the initial licensure process for a Psychology license in South Carolina. Dr. Key was present and not represented by legal counsel.

MOTION

On the motion of Dr. Barrett, seconded by Dr. Cleveland, the board voted unanimously to go into executive session to receive legal advice regarding Dr. Key’s application. The motion passed.

MOTION

On the motion of Dr. Barrett, seconded by Dr. Cleveland, the board voted unanimously to come out of executive session and reconvene in public session. The motion passed.

MOTION

On the motion of Dr. Cleveland, seconded by Dr. Cloninger, the board voted unanimously to approve Dr. Key to move forward in the licensure process with a stipulation that also completes his supervision hours. The motion passed.

Break – No Votes Were Taken.

Administrative Reports

MOTION

On the motion of Dr. Cleveland, seconded by Dr. Cloninger, the board voted unanimously to go into closed session to discuss the OIE, IRC, and ODC Reports. The motion passed.

Office of Investigations and Enforcement Reports (OIE - Information Only) – Yarikza Alexander, presented the OIE and statistical report as information only to the board.

Investigative Review Committee (IRC Information) – Yarikza Alexander, Office of Investigations presented the board with two (2) dismissals and one (1) formal complaint.

MOTION

On the motion of Dr. Barrett, seconded by Dr. Cleveland, the board voted unanimously in favor to accept the IRC recommendations for two (2) dismissals and one (1) formal complaint. The motion passed.

Office of Disciplinary Counsel Report (ODC – Information Only) – Sherrie Butterbaugh, presented the “ODC” report as information only to the board.

MOTION

On the motion of Dr. Cleveland, seconded by Dr. Cloninger, the board voted unanimously to come out of closed session and return to public session. The motion passed.

Board Executive Reports/Remarks – Pam Dunkin

Mrs. Dunkin presented the following items below to the board for informational purposes only.

- Finance Report
- CE Broker Report
- 2025 Renewals
- Review List of New Licensees (5/24/2025 – 8/22/2025) – Informational Purposes Only
- Number of Active Credentials as of 8/22/2025 – Informational Purposes Only

New Business

a. Discussion and Vote: 2026 Legislative Liaison Contact and Co-Contact

MOTION

On the motion of Dr. Cleveland, seconded by Dr. Barrett, the board voted unanimously in favor to nominate Dr. Eaton as Legislative Liaison and Dr. Cloninger as Co-Contact. The motion passed.

b. Discussion and Vote: 2026 Chair and Vice Chair

MOTION

On the motion of Dr. Eaton, seconded by Dr. Cloninger, the board voted unanimously in favor to nominate Dr. Barrett as Vice Chair. After self-nomination Dr. Eaton will serve as Chair. The motion passed.

Old Business

a. Discussion and Vote: Expert Reviewers – Pam Dunkin

MOTION

On the motion of Dr. Cleveland, seconded by Dr. Cloninger, the board voted unanimously to go into executive session to receive legal advice regarding the discussion on expert reviewers. The motion passed.

MOTION

On the motion of Dr. Cloninger, seconded by Dr. Cleveland, the board voted unanimously to come out of executive session and reconvene in public session. The motion passed.

MOTION

On the motion of Dr. Barrett, seconded by Dr. Phillips the board voted unanimously to approve the following expert reviewers: Dr. Sheresa C. Christopher, Dr. Emily Powell Lowell, and Dr. Sterling P. Watson. The motion passed.

Public Comments - None**Adjournment****MOTION**

On the motion of Dr. Phillips, seconded by Dr. Barrett the board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 am. The motion passed.

The next meeting of the S.C. Board of Examiners in Psychology is scheduled for January 9, 2026.