

# Maryland State Board of Examiners of Psychologists

## Open Board Meeting Minutes – June 2, 2017

The 623<sup>rd</sup> Open Board Meeting of the Maryland Board of Examiners of Psychologists was called to order at 9:14 a.m. by Linda Berg-Cross, Ph.D.

### **Board Members Present:**

Christopher Bishop, Psy.D.  
Cyndie Buckson, Psy.D.  
Irene W. Leigh, Ph.D.  
Lydia McCargo-Redd, Consumer Member  
Reginald Nettles, Ph.D., CGP  
Raj Razdan, Consumer Member

### **Board Members Absent:**

Neal R. Morris, Ed.D. MS, CBSM, ABPP Chairperson  
James F. Gormally, Ph.D., ABPP Vice-Chairperson

### **Staff Present:**

Lorraine Smith, Executive Director  
Stephanie Coley, Administrative Assistant  
Brett Felter AAG, Board Counsel

### **Staff Absent:**

Sally Mitchell, Licensing Coordinator

### **Interpreters:**

Charmine Johnson  
Erin Krug

### **Public:**

Sharon Bloom, DHMH  
Brandon Wright, DHMH

### **A. Minutes**

Minutes of the Open Meeting held on May 5, 2017 were reviewed. **A motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried to accept the minutes as submitted.**

### **B. Announcements**

Executive Director - The list of registrants for the June law exam was reviewed. **A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously carried to approve the list and to authorize the licensing committee to approve others who may register later.**

Ms. Smith reported that regulatory language will be needed in order to implement the mobility committee's approved proposal to offer an option to expedite the licensing process for psychologists that hold an active license in another state and wish to become licensed in Maryland. The regulatory change will need to be inserted in COMAR 10.36.01.02 – *Definition*. New regulatory language pertaining to requiring background checks every six years at renewal need to be inserted in COMAR 10.36.01.08 – *License Renewal, Expiration, and Inactive Status*. The board counsel will draft the regulations and present them at the September meeting.

The telehealth committee will begin to promulgate teletherapy regulations and plan to have language to present in October 2018.

Regulations were said to be needed outlining the process to evaluate potential anti-competitive cases to be reviewed by the Office of Administrative Hearings. The regulations will apply to all Boards.

Ms. Smith provided the following 2017 financial report on the renewal period that ended March 31, 2017.

#### **140 new licensees in FY 2017**

|                                 |             |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| <b>Total Licensees to Renew</b> | <b>1512</b> |
| Renewed                         | 1385        |
| Non-renewed                     | 82          |
| Inactive status                 | 36          |
| Retired                         | 9           |

#### **Revenue Collected**

Renewed Revenue: \$554,000  
Inactive Revenue: \$1,800

**TOTAL REVENUE: \$555,800**

#### **Total Psychology Associates to renew 40**

Renewed: 30 \$ 9,000

**TOTAL REVENUE: \$564,800**

### **C. Committee Reports**

*Licensing* – The committee continues to review psychologist and registered psychology associates applications.

*Operations* – Ms. Smith gave a renewal closeout report.

*Public Affairs* Nothing to report.

*Disciplinary* – Nothing to report.

**D. Public Comments**

No Public Comment.

**E. Administrative Session/Adjournment**

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously carried to enter into closed session to discuss disciplinary matters and to consult with Counsel. The open meeting was closed at 9:54 a.m. unless recused those attending the open session remained for the Administrative session.