Maryland State Board of Examiners of Psychologists Open Board Meeting Minutes – October 4, 2024

The 721st Open Meeting of the Maryland Board of Examiners of Psychologists was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Chairperson Brenda L. Terry-Leonard, Ph.D.

Board Members Present

Stephen Bono, Ph.D.
LaKeita Denne Carter, Psy.D.
Li Ying Kathy Diao, MA, Public Member
Trent Evans, Ph.D.
Shelley M McDermott, Ph.D., Vice-Chairperson
Kimberly A. Sanschagrin, J.D., Ph.D. Sybil Smith-Gray, Ph.D.
Zeno St. Cyr. II, MPH - Public Member

Board Member Absent

Sybil Smith-Gray, Ph.D.

Board Staff

Lorraine Smith, MA, MPH, Executive Director Tamika Davis, Licensing Coordinator, Deputy Director Patricia Morris English, MS, Investigator Brett Felter AAG, Board Counsel

Public

Lillian Reese - Legislative MDH Zakiyyah Homles -MDH Rachel Singer- MPA member at large Deborah Williams - MPA, Junior Representative member at large Matti Kaminsky - Public

The Board meeting was held via teleconference.

A. Minutes

Minutes of the Open Meeting held on September 13, 2024, were reviewed. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried to accept the minutes as submitted.: For- 5: Abstention - 2

B. Announcements

The Board will hold a closed training retreat on December 6, 2024. The location has not been finalized.

Ms. Smith reported that the jurisprudence exam would not be offered in October because the state was upgrading its training platform. The new platform is expected to be operational in November.

The 2025 odd license number renewals will open on Thursday, January 9, 2025. An email notice was sent to licensees and registered PAs renewing in 2025, reminding them that the requirements for CEs are back to normal as listed in COMAR 10.36.02.04 https://dsd.maryland.gov/regulations/Pages/10.36.02.04.aspx Dr. Terry-Leonard stated that the Board continues to assess holding some in-person board meetings in 2025.

C. Committee Updates

Licensure–A new committee has been constructed, and includes Drs. Sanschagrin, Carter, McDermott, Ms. Diao, and Ms. Davis. The new committee members continue to update the licensure application.

Legislation/Regulation –New committee members include Drs. Smith-Gray, Evans, McDermott, and Mr. St. Cyr II. The committee are updating the telepsychology regulations.

Disciplinary – Committee members include Drs. Smith-Gray, Bono, Evans, Carter, and Ms. English. The committee are updating the complaint form.

Public Relations – Committee members are Ms. Diao, Mr. St. Cyr II, Drs. Bono, and Sanschagrin. The committee will examine ways to improve the Board's website.

D. Public Comment

The public asked about the availability of the jurisprudence exam and was informed that it is expected to resume sometime in November.

Administrative Session/Adjournment

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously carried to enter a closed session to discuss confidential matters and to consult with counsel. The open meeting was closed at 9:12 a.m. unless recused those attending the open session remained for the Administrative session.