

# Maryland State Board of Examiners of Psychologists

## Open Board Meeting Minutes – May 06, 2022

The 700<sup>th</sup> Open Meeting of the Maryland Board of Examiners of Psychologists was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by the Chairperson, Crystal Barksdale, Ph.D.

### **Board Members Present:**

Samantha Rukert, Psy.D., Vice-Chairperson  
Stephen Bono, Ph.D.  
Shelley M. McDermott, Ph.D.  
Reginald Nettles, Ph.D., CGP  
Kimberly A. Sanschagrin, J.D., Ph.D.  
Zeno St. Cyr, II, Consumer Member  
Brenda L. Terry-Leonard, Ph.D.

### **Board Members Absent:**

Raj Razdan, Consumer Member

### **Staff Present:**

Lorraine Smith, Executive Director  
Stephanie Coley, Licensing Coordinator  
Patricia Morris English, Board Investigator  
Brett Felter AAG, Board Counsel

### **Public Present:**

Shalena Heard, Ph.D. – Maryland Psychological Association (MPA) Member at Large

*Board meeting was held via teleconference.*

### **A. Minutes**

Minutes of the Open Meeting held on April 8, 2022 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 May law exam was reviewed. **A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously carried to approve the list and others who may register later.**

**SB 0195 – State Board of Examiners of Psychologists – Sunset Extension** – This bill continues the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending the Board’s existence to July 1, 2033. The Senate originally voted to extend the Board’s sunset for two years, until July 1, 2025. However, the House amended the bill to extend the Board’s sunset for ten years and sent the bill back to the Senate for a vote with the amendment. The Senate did not vote on the amendments. The Board will submit legislation in 2023 requesting the ten-year extension.

**SB0077 – Health Occupations Boards – Investigations- Right to Counsel** authorizes a licensee or certificate holder to be represented by counsel during an investigation that may result in charges or sanctions and authorizes a licensee or certificate holder to have counsel present at any interview conducted by the health occupations board during an investigation. **Did not pass**

**HB0911 – Health Occupations-Psychologists-Licensure Qualifications** alters the qualifications an individual must have to be licensed as a psychologist by the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists. **Did not proceed.**

**HB0969 – State Board of Dental Examiners- Training and Disciplinary Processes-Revisions** – Establishes training requirements for members of the State Board of Dental Examiners; and establishing and codifying disciplinary processes related to the issuance of final decisions and summary suspensions of licenses. **Passed**

Dr. Barksdale announced that she would not petition to serve another term on the Board. Ms. Smith and members of the Board thanked Dr. Barksdale for her years of service on the Board.

**C. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**D. Administrative Session/Adjournment**

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously carried to enter a closed session to discuss disciplinary matters and to consult with Counsel. The open meeting was closed at 9:26 a.m. unless recused those attending the open session remained for the Administrative session.