

Maryland State Board of Examiners of Psychologists

Open Board Meeting Minutes – June 03, 2022

The 701st Open Meeting of the Maryland Board of Examiners of Psychologists was called to order at 9:41 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
Raj Razdan, Consumer Member
Kimberly A. Sanschagrín, J.D., Ph.D.
Zeno St. Cyr, II, Consumer Member
Brenda L. Terry-Leonard, Ph.D.

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
Jessica Rothstein, Psy.D.- Maryland Psychological Associate (MPA) Member at Large

Board meeting was held via teleconference.

A. Minutes

Minutes of the Open Meeting held on May 06, 2022 were reviewed. **A motion was made, seconded and a voted called to accept the minutes: For- 8; Abstention -1**

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 others who may register later.**

Ms. Smith provided the following 2022 Renewals and Budget Report

Total Licensees to Renew Active License - 1794

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| Active Renewed | 1574 |
| Non-renewed | 220 |
| Move to Inactive status | 31 |
| Renewed Inactive | <u>41</u> |

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| | | | 72 |
| Non-renewed Inactive | | | 14 |
| Retired 12 +Deceased | 1 = | | <u>13</u> |
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Funds Collected

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| Renewed | \$629,600 | |
| Inactive | \$14,400 | |
| Total | | \$644,000 |

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| Total Psychology Associates to Renew | 219 |
| Renewed | 116 |
| Became licensed | 31 |
| Non-renewed | 103 |

Funds Collected

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| Renewed | \$34,800 | |
| Licensed | \$9,300 | |
| Total | | \$44,100 |

GRAND TOTAL **\$688,100**

C. 2023 Proposed Legislation

Ms. Smith proposed submitting legislation in 2023 that amends **Health Occupations Article 18-502- State Board of Examiners of Psychologists – Sunset Extension**. The legislation will extend the Board’s existence for 10 additional years until July 1, 2033.

Ms. Smith also proposed submitting legislation that amends **Health Occupations Article 18-306- Issuance of License and Registration & 309 – Term and Renewal of Licenses**. A change to 18-306 will allow the Board to cease printing and mailing paper licenses/registrations and permit those that hold an active license or registration to print verification of their status from the Board’s website.

In addition, **Article 18-309** will allow to the Board to cease mailing renewal notices, except for special circumstances, and permit the Board to email renewal notices. Both legislations will expedite communication, improve accuracy, and are cost saving measures.

After discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and unanimously carried to submit the proposed legislations for the 2023 legislative session.

D. Public Comments

Dr. Heard stated that Thomas J. Cotè is MPA’s Interim Executive Director. Dr. Heard also stated that June 3, 2022 would be her last meeting and a new Member at Large will replace her.

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 9:56 a.m. unless recused those attending the open session remained for the Administrative session.