

**Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists**  
**BOARD MEETING MINUTES: May 10, 2013**  
**APPROVED: June 21, 2013**

The meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists (Board) was called to order at 8:30 a.m., **Friday, May 10, 2013**, at 8280 YMCA Plaza Drive, Building 8-B, Baton Rouge, LA 70810. Present were Board Members, Drs. Lee Matthews, Rita Culross, Marc Zimmermann, Darla Burnett; and, Executive Director, Kelly Parker. Dr. Kim VanGeffen, representative of Louisiana Psychological Association, was also in attendance during the public hour.

Dr. Burnett moved to accept the May 10, 2013 agenda. Dr. Zimmermann moved that the minutes of April 19, 2013 be accepted with minor corrections.

Pursuant to **LSA R.S.42: 6.1(4)**, Dr. Matthews moved to enter Executive Session to review legal matters, conduct oral exams and file reviews. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote of the members present as follows: Matthews –yay, Culross-yay, Zimmermann-yay and Burnett-yay.

Dr. Matthews moved to close Executive Session to enter the following:

**Oral Examinations:**

**Anna Breuer, Ph.D.** appeared before Drs. Culross and Burnett for an oral examination. Dr. Culross moved that the Board grant **Dr. Breuer** a license to practice psychology with a specialty in Clinical Psychology. The Board discussed the recommendation and the motion passed unanimously by vote of the full board.

**John Teal, Ph.D.** appeared before Drs. Zimmermann and Matthews for an oral examination. Dr. Zimmermann moved that the Board grant **Dr. Teal** a license to practice psychology with a specialty in Clinical Psychology. The Board discussed the recommendation and the motion passed unanimously by vote of the full board.

**Robert Nevels, Ph.D., CPQ**, reciprocity candidate, successfully passed the Jurisprudence examination and met with the full Board. Dr. Matthews moved to continue Dr. Nevels candidacy until issues were resolved with the Mississippi Board of Psychology. The Board discussed the continuance and the motion passed unanimously.

**Supervision and Credentials Recommendations:**

Dr. Zimmermann reviewed the application for licensure file of **Emily K. Sandoz, Ph.D.** Dr. Zimmermann moved to approve the candidacy status of **Dr. Sandoz** and invite her to take the oral examination. The Board discussed the file and the motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Matthews reviewed the CPQ reciprocity application file of **Massi H. Wyatt, Ph.D.** Dr. Matthews moved to approve the candidacy status of **Dr. Wyatt** and invite him to meet with the Board. The Board discussed the file and the motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Culross reviewed the request of **Koren Boggs, Ph.D.** to schedule the continuation of her oral examination. After careful review of the file and discussion with the Board members, Dr. Culross moved to schedule **Dr. Boggs** for the continuation of her oral examination. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Culross reviewed the Application for Reinstatement file of **Sister Sarah Ducey, Ph.D.** along with continuing education materials. Dr. Culross moved to invite **Dr. Ducey** for an oral examination for reinstatement of her license. The motion passed by majority vote of the full board.

Dr. Matthews reviewed and recommended the Board grant Temporary Registration to **Angela Donahue, Ph.D., Paul David Connor, Ph.D., Kris Mohandie, Ph.D., and Ruben Gur, Ph.D.** The motion passed by full vote of the Board.

Dr. Culross reviewed and recommended acceptance of the Supervised Practice Plans of: **John R. Hamilton, Ph.D., Linda Marks Hunter, Psy.D., Jennifer K. Longwell, Ph.D., and Brandon J. Richard, Ph.D.** The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Burnett reviewed the Non-APA internship program of **Lauren M. Robinson, Psy.D.** Dr. Burnett also reviewed the additional information submitted by **Dr. Robinson**. The Board discussed the internship materials. After considerable discussion, Dr. Burnett moved to table the decision on acceptance of the internship program until clarification was obtained regarding testing and assessment training. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the request of **Bruce McCormick, Ph.D.** to add a Clinical Psychology designation to his license. The Board carefully reviewed the materials submitted by Dr. McCormick. Dr. Culross moved that **Dr. McCormick** met the coursework requirements to add a Clinical Psychology specialty to his license. The motion passed by majority vote. Dr. Zimmermann moved to invite **Dr. McCormick** to take an oral examination in Clinical Psychology. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: Matthews-yay, Zimmermann-yay, Culross-yay and Burnett-yay.

The Board reviewed the application for licensure file of **Patricia F. Periera, Ph.D.** The Board reviewed the materials submitted with the application and the letter regarding the trouble obtaining foreign degrees. The Board directed Ms. Parker to obtain additional information from the State of Washington regarding **Dr. Periera's** license and to require official transcripts for licensure.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Finance Committee:** No new report.

**Oral Examination Committee:** No new report.

**Jurisprudence Examination Committee:** No new report.

**Legislative Oversight Committee:** The Board discussed bills that were filed for the 2013 Legislative Session that may impact psychology. The Board reviewed and discussed HB266, HB281, HB557, SB71 and SB134. The Board also reviewed the LPC rules published in the April 2013 Louisiana Register with no comments.

**Liaison to Professional Organizations and Boards:** The Board discussed the upcoming LPA 2013 Conference and the presentation. Dr. Matthews and Dr. Burnett both confirmed their availability for

the LPA presentation along with Ms. Parker. Ms. Parker reminded the Board that the presentation was scheduled for Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 p.m.

The Board briefly reviewed the ASPPB EPassport information. Ms. Parker pointed out that the deadline for comments is June 30, 2013. Dr. Matthews appointed Dr. Zimmermann to review the details of the Epassport information and provide feedback to the Board at the next meeting. .

**Continuing Education:** Ms. Parker reported that the changes to Chapter 8 would most likely be published in the Louisiana Register in either June or July.

**Complaints Committee:** No new report.

**Long Range Planning Meeting:** No new report.

**Provisional License Task Force:** Dr. Burnett reported the meeting had been changed from May 30<sup>th</sup> to Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Parker reported that the members of the task force at the time of the meeting were: Dr. Burnett, Dr. VanGeffen(LPA), Dr. Julie Larrieu, Dr. George Hebert and Dr. Chris Garner.

**School Specialist Task Force:** Dr. Culross reported that the first meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 28<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. Ms. Parker reported that invite letters would be going out in the next week.

**Real Estate Workgroup:** The Board Members and Ms. Parker visited 8706 Jefferson Highway, Ste. B, Baton Rouge, LA 70809. After careful discussion and consideration of the property size and cost, Dr. Culross moved to initiate negotiations with the landlord of the Jefferson property. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: Matthews-yay, Burnett-yay, Zimmermann-yay and Culross-yay.

**Digital Maintenance Workgroup:** Ms. Parker reported that a new copier was scheduled for delivery. She also reported that the copier will be able to scan, copy, fax and email from the home screen.

**Case Vignette Workgroup:** The Board discussed the purpose of establishing a case vignette workgroup. Dr. Matthews moved to invite former board members to participate in the workgroup. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Matthews asked Dr. VanGeffen to post a comment on the LPA list serve. Dr. Matthews also directed Ms. Parker to reach out to former board members regarding their interest in participating in the group.

**Temporary Registration Clarification Workgroup:** The Board briefly discussed the purpose of the workgroup. Dr. Zimmermann moved to remove the workgroup from the next agenda and until Telepsychology Guidelines are issued in July 2013. The motion passed by roll call vote: Matthews-yay, Zimmermann-yay, Burnett-yay, and Culross-yay.

**Discussion Items:**

1. **2013-2014FY Contract Review & Approval** : The Board discussed and approved the following contracts for the next fiscal year:

Valerie Dominique, CPA	Accountant	\$4,999
C. Gary Pettigrew, Ph.D.	Complaints Coordinator	\$4,000
Investigator 1	Investigator 1	\$6,000
Vacant	Investigator 2	\$6,000
Taylor Porter	Advisory Counsel	\$15,000
McGlinchey Stafford, PLLC	Legislative/Prosecutorial	\$12,500
Attorney General's Office	Legal-Miscellaneous	\$2,500
Tidal Waves	Website	\$1,500
Sparkhound	Database	\$5,000

2. **LSEBP Draft Opinion-Professional Wills**: The Board reviewed and discussed a draft of the Professional Wills opinion. After careful consideration, the Board opined that all licensees should prepare and execute a Professional Will. The Board further opined that a Professional Will is a detailed set of instructions, including specific information regarding location of and access to records, research materials and patient information, to an appointed team of trusted colleagues who will serve as professional executors upon the event of a death or incapacitation. The Board also opined that a Professional Will represents a way of providing care to consumers and sparing family members the obligation. The Board directed Ms. Parker to officially issue the opinion as of May 10, 2013.

3. **LSBEP Ethics Training – LA Board of Ethics**: Ms. Parker reminded the Board members that they must complete annual ethics training through the Board of Ethics.

2:35 p.m. Adjourned.