

# MINUTES

Regular Meeting of

The Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology  
100 N. Union Street, Suite 880  
Montgomery, AL 36104

January 15, 2021

Members Present: Catalina M. Arata, Ph.D. – Chair  
Kristi Ann Miller, M.S., Psychological Technician Member – Vice-Chair  
Joseph D. Ackerson, Ph.D. – Member  
Eliza M. Belle, Ph.D. – Member  
Nancy W. Berland, Ph.D. – Member  
Mary Ann Bowers, Ph.D. – Member  
Edwin W. Cook, III, Ph.D. – Member

Others Present: Lori H. Rall, Executive Director – Recorder  
Lauren B. Benson, Administrative Assistant

Absent: Brice M. Johnston, Legal Counsel

The time is 9:05 a.m. We are having a Zoom meeting for the Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology. There is a lawful quorum present and sufficient prior notice has been given as required by the Open Meetings Act.

## **BOARD MISSION STATEMENT:**

The Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology seeks to promote and protect the public's health, welfare and quality of life by licensing and regulating the practice of psychology and by promoting access to psychological services delivered in a safe, competent, and ethical manner.

## **REVIEW OF MINUTES:**

Review of the Minutes from the November 20, 2020 meeting. Motion by Belle: I make a motion that we accept the Minutes from the November meeting. Seconded by Berland. Motion passed. Cook abstained. Arata granted Rall permission to sign the official Minutes in her place.

## **REVIEW OF NEW APPLICANTS:**

### **Psychologists**

- 1) ARMSTRONG, Amanda Kay – EPPP and PSE Candidate (Ackerson and Belle) Motion by Ackerson: I would move that we vote to admit Dr. Armstrong to the EPPP and the PSE. Seconded by Belle. Motion passed.
- 2) BERNSTEIN, Ellis Nathan – PSE Candidate (Arata and Bowers) Motion by Arata: I move that we accept Dr. Bernstein for the PSE only, as he has already taken the EPPP. Seconded by Bowers. Motion passed.
- 3) BOETTCHER, Anneliese Catherine – Licensed in two (2) jurisdictions (Cook and Miller), **License No. 2205** (Clinical Specialization) Motion by Cook: I move that Dr. Boettcher be asked to remove the designation of clinical neuropsychology as a specialty from her application and that she be issued a license. Seconded by Miller. Motion passed.
- 4) CAMPBELL, Debra RayAnne – EPPP and PSE Candidate (Arata and Bowers) Motion by Arata: I will move that we accept Dr. Campbell for the EPPP and PSE. Seconded by Bowers. Motion passed.
- 5) COOK, Roy Rodney – PSE Candidate (Cook and Ackerson) Motion by Cook: I move that we issue a Cease and Desist Order to Applicant Roy Rodney Cook related to the work he is performing as a self employed contractor and consulting psychologist at and with the Central Alabama Veterans Health Care System, as it appears he is in violation of Ala. Code Section 34-26-46(a)(21) and the Board’s Administrative Code Rule 750-X-5-.03(1)(t), and that we admit Dr. Cook to the Professional Standards Exam, and that we issue a private letter of reprimand to him, copying supervisor Dr. Jenniffer LaPoint MD at CAVHS, for inadvertently engaging in the unlicensed practice of psychology rather than taking formal disciplinary action against his license, if and when it is issued by the Board after his successful passage of the PSE. Seconded by Ackerson. Motion Passed. Bowers abstained.
- 6) SELTZER, Jed Daniel – EPPP and PSE Candidate (Belle and Miller) Motion by Belle: I move that we admit Dr. Seltzer to the EPPP and PSE. Seconded by Miller. Motion Passed.

### **Psychological Technician**

- 1) MOON, Kadija Karae Joera – EPPP and PSE Candidate (Miller and Belle) Motion by Miller: I make a motion that we admit Ms. Moon to the EPPP and PSE. Seconded by Belle. Motion passed.

## **PREVIOUSLY REVIEWED APPLICANTS:**

- 1) BORKOSKY, Bruce Glenn – PSE Candidate (Ackerson and Belle) Application reviewed on 05/10/2019; admitted to PSE, requested revised Specialization statement and additional professional references from supervisors from his post-doctoral training. Review. (Passed PSE on 11/25/2020; review for licensure) Motion by Ackerson: I make a motion that we table this application and seek further information from Dr. Borkosky specifically related to 1) his prior work as a forensic psychologist and whether he has engaged in the practice of the use of hypnosis for memory retrieval in order to present that in a court of law and for us to be able to get court transcripts to determine whether he engaged in that behavior and 2) whether it is a standard part of his practice that he shares testing materials to include test protocols with patients and clients that are not licensed psychologists, in violation with his contract with the test publishers. Seconded by Berland. Arata voted in favor. Belle voted in favor. Bowers voted in favor. Miller voted in favor. Cook voted not in favor of the motion. Motion passed.
- 2) CARRION, Leslie Paige – EPPP and PSE Candidate (Arata) Application reviewed on 07/12/2019; admitted to exams, requested revised Specialization statement to remove neuropsychological assessments. Revision reviewed on 9/13/2019 and denied for failure to remove the neuropsychological components of the statement, to include administration and the interpretation of the D-KEFS or NEPSY-II. Review of second revision. (Passed EPPP on 11/24/2020 and PSE on 11/27/2020; review for licensure) Motion by Arata: I move that we accept her revised Specialization statement. Seconded by Belle. Motion passed.

The Board took a 10-minute break at 10:50 a.m. and returned at 11:04 a.m.

## **REVIEW of Exam Scores for the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP) and the Professional Standards Exam (PSE), and the ISSUANCE OF LICENSES:**

Motion by Arata: I make a motion that we issue licenses to the following individuals - Dr. Araujo Talledo in Clinical Psychology, Dr. Bennett in Clinical Psychology, Dr. Cancilla in Clinical and School Psychology, Dr. Canter in Clinical Psychology, Dr. Carrion in Clinical Psychology, Dr. Cawthra in Counseling Psychology, Dr. Cooper in Clinical Psychology, Dr. Foss in Counseling Psychology, Dr. McCabe in Counseling Psychology, and Dr. Welch in Clinical Psychology. Seconded by Cook. Motion passed.

## **COMPLAINTS:**

### **Against Licensed Psychologists**

#### **Old**

- 1) 19-004 – On-going investigation
- 2) 19-007 – On-going investigation
- 3) 19-015 – On-going investigation
- 4) 19-019 – On-going investigation
- 5) 19-020 – On-going investigation
- 6) 19-021 – On-going investigation
- 7) 20-001 – On-going investigation
- 8) 20-002 – On-going investigation
- 9) 20-003 – No Probable Cause
- 10) 20-004 – On-going investigation
- 11) 20-005 – On-going investigation
- 12) 20-006 – No Probable Cause
- 13) 20-007 – On-going investigation
- 14) 20-008 – On-going investigation
- 15) 20-009 – On-going investigation
- 16) 21-001 – On-going investigation
- 17) 21-002 – On-going investigation
- 18) 21-003 – On-going investigation
- 19) 21-004 – On-going investigation

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1) Preparing for emergency practice in response to a declared disaster – Language added to our website. Update. State of Emergency extended to March 8, 2021 by Governor Ivey.
- 2) Continuation of Coverage for Telemedicine Services – Alabama Medicaid Agency.
- 3) Bill to establish the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact (PSYPACT) and the Alabama Psychology Professionals Wellness Committee – 2021 Legislative Session, Sponsored by Alabama State Senator Andrew Jones. Update.

- 4) Bill to establish a Wellness and Monitoring Program and the Alabama Psychology Professionals Wellness Committee – 2021 Legislative Session, Sponsored by Alabama State Senator Andrew Jones. Update.

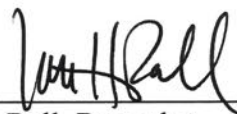
**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) Vulnerable Child Compassion and Protection Act – 2021 Legislative Session. Introduced as House Bill (HB) 1, Sponsored by Representatives Allen, Holmes, Pettus, Mooney and Brown, and Senate Bill (SB) 10, Sponsored by Senator Shelnett. HB1 is assigned to the Judiciary Committee; SB10 is assigned to the Healthcare Committee. Motion by Ackerson: I make a motion that the Board takes the strongest opposition to these bills, and that we rely upon evidence and logical arguments laid out by Dr. Cook in bolstering our position in this case, and that we reach out the Alabama Association of Pediatrics, and the Alabama Psychiatric Association, the Alabama Association of Licensed Professional Counselors, and the Alabama Association of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists, and our Association [Alabama Psychological Association], and the allied State Boards, and other mental healthcare or medical associations or organizations that we believe would also be impacted by these bills to join us in this effort. Seconded by Bowers. Motion passed.
- 2) ASPPB Midyear Meeting, April 9-10, 2021 – Virtual Meeting Format. Will notify the Board as more information is available about registration and a call for attendance.
- 3) Nominate and vote on Board Chair and Vice-Chair. Motion by Ackerson: I make a motion that we continue with our current leadership roles until such time as we have new appointees coming onto the Board. Seconded by Cook. Motion passed.

Motion by Arata: I move that we adjourn the meeting; the time is 12:10 pm. Seconded by Ackerson. Motion passed.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING: March 12, 2021**

Respectfully Submitted,



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Lori H. Rall, Recorder  
Executive Director



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Catalina M. Arata, Ph.D.  
Chair

**REVIEW of Exam Scores for the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP) and the Professional Standards Exam (PSE), and the ISSUANCE OF LICENSES:**

**Psychologists:** Pass or fail for each candidate is based upon the ASPPB recommended passing score for psychologists. The EPPP passing score for psychologists is 500. The passing score for the PSE is 80% (34 correct).

**Psychological Technicians:** The EPPP passing score for psychological technicians is 400. The passing score for the PSE is 80% (34 correct).

<i>Name</i>	<i>Application Level</i>	<i>EPPP Score</i>	<i>Passed?</i>	<i>PSE Score</i>	<i>Passed?</i>	<i>License No. Issued</i>	<i>Area of Specialization</i>
<b>ARAUJO TALLEDO,</b> Andrea Jesus	Psychologist		Yes		Yes	<b>2206</b>	Clinical
<b>BENNETT,</b> Arthur Lee	Psychologist		Yes			<b>2207</b>	Clinical
<b>BORKOSKY,</b> Bruce Glenn	Psychologist				Yes	<b>N/A</b>	Clinical
<b>CANCILLA,</b> Charles Edward	Psychologist				Yes	<b>2209</b>	Clinical & School
<b>CANTER,</b> Margaret Fesmire	Psychologist				Yes	<b>2210</b>	Clinical
<b>CARRION,</b> Leslie Paige	Psychologist		Yes		Yes	<b>2211</b>	Clinical
<b>CAWTHRA,</b> Julia Nicole	Psychologist		Yes		Yes	<b>2212</b>	Counseling
<b>COOPER,</b> Anna Grace	Psychologist				Yes	<b>2213</b>	Clinical
<b>FOSS,</b> Joanna Molly	Psychologist				Yes	<b>2214</b>	Counseling
<b>McCABE,</b> Brian Edward	Psychologist		Yes			<b>2215</b>	Counseling
<b>SHELTON,</b> Tirzah	Psychologist		Yes			<b>N/A</b>	Counseling
<b>WELCH,</b> Emma Kathryn	Psychologist		Yes		Yes	<b>2216</b>	Clinical