

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of

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

September 9, 2022

Members Present: Edwin W. Cook, III, Ph.D. – Vice-Chair
Nancy W. Berland, Ph.D. - Member
Michael A. Carlton, Ph.D. – Member
Candice Drinkard Lewis, M.S. – Psychological Technician Member
Dale Wisely, Ph.D. – Member

Others Present: Brice M. Johnston – Legal Counsel
Angela D. Ledbetter – Executive Assistant
Lori H. Rall – Executive Director
Ellen L. Spence, Ph.D. – Alabama Psychological Association Liaison

Not Present: Eliza M. Belle, Ph.D. – Chair
Carmen Douglas, SHRM-SCP, SPHR – Public Member
Mary Ann Bowers, Ph.D. – Member (Term Expired, not yet replaced by the Governor’s Appointments Office)

Opening by Cook: We are gathered in the Board Office and on Zoom for a regular meeting of the Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology. A lawful quorum is present and sufficient prior notice has been given as required by the Open Meetings Act. The time is 9:15 a.m.

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 July 8, 2022 Minutes. Motion by Wisely: I move to accept the Minutes as written. Seconded by Cook. Motion passed

REVIEW OF NEW APPLICANTS:

Psychologists

- 1) BERRY, April Tashay – EPPP and PSE Candidate (Cook and Wisely) Motion by Cook: I move that we allow Dr. Berry to sit for EPPP and PSE. Seconded by Wisely. Motion passed. (Clinical & Counseling Specialization)
- 2) BROMBERG, Caroline Christian – PSE Candidate (Wisely and Berland) Mr. Johnston recommended that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss the potential threat of, or possibility of, litigation, and to discuss the good name and character of an individual. Motion by Cook: I move that the Board go into Executive Session for twenty (20) minutes to discuss the potential threat of, or possibility of, litigation, and to discuss the good name and character of an individual. Seconded by Wisely. Motion passed. The Board moved into Executive Session at 9:22 a.m. with the intention of returning at 9:45 a.m. Motion by Cook: I move that we come out of Executive Session and the time is 9:26 a.m. Seconded by Wisely. Motion passed. Motion by Wisely: I move that we allow Dr. Bromberg to sit for PSE. Seconded by Berland. Motion passed. (Clinical Specialization)
- 3) CHAVERS, David Joseph – EPPP and PSE Candidate (Berland and Cook) Mr. Johnston recommended that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss the potential threat of, or possibility of, litigation, and to discuss the good name and character of an individual. Motion by Cook: I move that the Board goes into Executive Session for twenty (20) minutes to discuss the potential threat of, or possibility of, litigation, and to discuss the good name and character of an individual. Seconded by Wisely. Motion passed. The Board moved into Executive Session at 9:34 a.m. with the intention of returning at 9:54 a.m. Motion by Berland: I move to leave Executive Session now at 10:28 a.m. Seconded by Cook. Motion passed. Motion by Wisely: I would like to make a motion that Dr. David Chavers be admitted to the EPPP and PSE and, upon passing the exams, a license will be issued after he pays a fine of \$300.00 and accepts a public reprimand for failure to disclose the history of an arrest. Seconded by Berland. Motion passed. (Clinical Specialization)
- 4) COLE, Levi Edward – PSE Candidate (Cook and Carlton) Motion by Cook: I move that he be admitted to the PSE. Seconded by Carlton. Motion passed. (Clinical Specialization)
- 5) GAMBERA, Gianna Claire – EPPP and PSE Candidate (Carlton and Lewis) Motion by Carlton: I make a motion that we allow Dr. Gambera to sit for EPPP and PSE. Seconded by Lewis. Motion passed. (School Specialization)
- 6) HALAWANI MONTES, Sarah – EPPP Candidate (Wisely and Cook) Motion by Wisely: I move that Dr. Sarah Halawani Montes be admitted to the EPPP. Seconded by Cook. Motion passed. (Counseling Specialization)
- 7) PRESTON, Patrick Mark – Candidate for Licensure (Lewis and Cook) Mr. Johnston recommended that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss the potential threat of, or possibility of, litigation, and to discuss the good name and character of an individual. Motion by Cook: I move that the Board goes into Executive Session for twenty (20) minutes to discuss the potential threat of, or possibility of, litigation, and to discuss the good name and character of an individual. Seconded by Lewis. Motion passed. The Board moved into Executive Session at 10:44 a.m. with the intention of returning at 11:04 a.m. Motion by Cook: I move that we come out of Executive Session at 10:50 a.m. Seconded

- by Lewis. Motion passed. Motion by Cook: I move to issue a license to Dr. Preston. Seconded by Lewis. Motion passed. (**License No. 2284**, Clinical Specialization)
- 8) RYU, Jung Ho – EPPP and PSE Candidate (Wisely and Douglas) Motion by Wisely: I make a motion that Dr. Ryu be allowed to sit for EPPP and PSE. Seconded by Cook. Motion passed. (Clinical Specialization)
 - 9) SMITH, April Rose – PSE candidate (Lewis and Berland) Motion by Lewis: I make a motion that she sit for PSE. Seconded by Berland. Motion passed. (Clinical Specialization)
 - 10) SUPINGER, Krista Marie – PSE candidate (Carlton and Cook) Motion by Carlton: I move that we allow Dr. Supinger to sit for PSE. Seconded by Cook. Motion passed. (Clinical Specialization)
 - 11) TATE, Larissa Leigh – PSE candidate (Carlton and Lewis) Motion by Carlton: I move that we allow Dr. Tate to sit for PSE. Seconded by Lewis. Motion passed. (Clinical Specialization)
 - 12) VINING, Odell George – PSE candidate (Carlton and Cook) Motion by Carlton: I move that we allow Odell Vining to sit for PSE and ask that he change his Specialization to School Psychology only, consistent with his education and training, or he may alternatively submit additional documentation to support the inclusion of a Clinical designation. Seconded by Cook. Motion passed. (School Specialization)

Psychological Technician

- 1) WILLIAMS, April Kierra – EPPP and PSE Candidate (Lewis and Wisely) Motion by Lewis: I move that we allow Ms. Williams to sit for EPPP and PSE. Seconded by Wisely. Motion passed.

The Board took a break from 11:36 a.m. until 11:57 a.m.

Motion by Lewis: I move to accept the Supervision Application and Contract for Level I Supervision under Dorn R. Majure, Psy.D. Second by Wisely. Motion passed.

PREVIOUSLY REVIEWED APPLICANTS:

Psychologist(s)

- 1) MORALES LUCIANO, Charlyn Melanie – EPPP and PSE Candidate (Cook and Wisely) Application tabled on July 8, 2022. Board requested information about employment history and clarification on role as “bridge therapist.” Review response. Mr. Johnston recommended that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss the potential threat of, or possibility of, litigation, and to discuss the good name and character of an individual. Motion by Cook: I move that the Board goes into Executive Session for twenty (20) minutes to discuss the potential threat of, or possibility of, litigation, and to discuss the good name and character of an individual. Seconded by Wisely. Motion passed. The Board moved into Executive Session at 12:05 p.m. with the intention of returning at 12:25 p.m. Motion by Cook: I move that we come out of Executive Session; the time is 1:10 p.m. Seconded by Wisely. Motion passed. Motion by Cook: I move that the application of Dr. Morales Luciano be tabled and that we request further employment history that was not

completely provided, or has not yet been provided, and that we ask for clarification on whether and how her activities at AltaPointe are consistent with Code of Alabama 34-26-42 and, if she is practicing psychology without the benefit of an Alabama license, she should cease and desist such practice. Seconded by Wisely. Motion passed. Motion by Cook: I move that we issue a Cease-and-Desist letter to AltaPointe directing them to cease and desist any aiding and abetting the unlicensed practice of psychology by Dr. Morales Luciano, consistent with the letter the Board sent the organization in July 2020. Seconded by Carlton. Motion passed. Motion by Wisely. I move that we amend the previous motion to allow this candidate to sit for EPPP and PSE, and that the previous request for clarification about employment and cautionary cease and desist communication remain in place. Once licensed, infractions may be applied to the license based upon responses to employment history and practicing without a license. Seconded by Carlton. Motion passed.

- 2) ZITO, Ashlee Elizabeth – Admitted to EPPP and PSE on May 13, 2022. (Cook and Carlton) Board requested either a revised specialization designation or a revised specialization statement. License issued on July 11, 2022 after successful completion of exams. Review and affirm response of more information to support Specialization in Counseling, Clinical, and Forensic Psychology. Motion by Cook: I move to affirm acceptance of Dr. Zito’s revised Specialization statement and grant recognition in counseling, clinical, and forensic. Seconded by Carlton. Motion passed.

Psychological Technician

- 1) STOOKEY, Emily Sims – EPPP and PSE Candidate (Lewis and Wisely) Application tabled on May 13, 2022. Board requested information about employment history, areas of competency, and future practice. Review response; also, Supervision Application and Contract review. Motion by Lewis: I make a motion to admit Ms. Stookey to the EPPP and PSE and that we ask for clarification on whether and how her activities at Spectrum Mental Wellness, LLC are consistent with Code of Alabama 34-26-42 and, if she is practicing psychology without the benefit of an Alabama license, she should cease and desist such practice and that we issue a Cease-and-Desist letter to Ms. Stookey and to Spectrum Mental Wellness, LLC, directing them to cease and desist any aiding and abetting the unlicensed practice of psychology by Ms. Stookey or anyone else, and, once licensed, infractions may be applied to the license for practicing without a license. Seconded by Wisely. Motion passed.

REVIEW of Exam Scores for the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP), and/or the Professional Standards Exam (PSE), and/or Licenses Issued since the July 2022 Board Meeting:

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).

| NAME of Applicant / Licensee | Degree | Application Level | EPPP Passed? | PSE Passed? | License Number | Date of Licensure | Area of Specialization |
|--|---------------|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|--|
| HILL, Sarah Frances | Psy.D. | Psychologist | Yes | Yes | 2275 | 7/11/2022 | Clinical |
| ZITO, Ashlee Elizabeth | Ph.D. | Psychologist | - | Yes | 2276 | 7/11/2022 | Clinical, Counseling, and Forensic |
| WASHINGTON, Aryssa Zyniche | Ph.D. | Psychologist | - | Yes | 2277 | 7/20/2022 | Clinical |
| TULLOCH- DENT, Elizabeth Ann | Ph.D. | Psychologist | - | Yes | 2278 | 7/20/2022 | Clinical and School |
| MUELLER, Stephanie Christina | Ph.D. | Psychologist | Yes | Yes | 2279 | 7/21/2022 | Clinical |
| HOLLAND- GIBSON, Margaret Andres | Ph.D. | Psychologist | Yes | Yes | 2280 | 7/25/2022 | School |
| ELLIS, Brandi Michelle | Ph.D. | Psychologist | Yes | Yes | 2281 | 8/2/2022 | Clinical |
| CRIBBET, Matthew Robert | Ph.D. | Psychologist | Yes | Yes | 2282 | 8/16/2022 | Clinical |
| HOWARD, Jackson McCall | Ph.D. | Psychologist | - | Yes | 2283 | 8/17/2022 | Counseling |
| BOSWELL, Kwoneathia Rasha | Ph.D. | Psychologist | Yes | - | - | - | Clinical |
| TAYLOR, Tonia BrySha | Ph.D. | Psychologist | No; may sit again | - | - | - | Clinical |
| WELLS, Mary Catherine | Psy.D. | Psychologist | No; may sit again | - | - | - | Clinical |
| LANE, Morgan Elise | Ph.D. | Psychologist | No; may sit again | - | - | - | School |

COMPLAINTS:

Against Licensed Psychologists

Old

- 1) 19-015 – On-going investigation
- 2) 20-007 – On-going investigation
- 3) 20-008 – On-going investigation
- 4) 20-009 – On-going investigation
- 5) 21-004 – On-going investigation
- 6) 21-007 – On-going investigation
- 7) 21-009 – On-going investigation
- 8) 21-010 – On-going investigation
- 9) 21-012 – On-going investigation
- 10) 21-013 – On-going investigation
- 11) 22-002 – On-going investigation
- 12) 22-003 – On-going investigation
- 13) 22-004 – On-going investigation
- 14) 22-005 – On-going investigation
- 15) 22-006 – On-going investigation
- 16) 22-007 – On-going investigation
- 17) 22-008 – No Probable Cause
- 18) 22-009 – No Probable Cause
- 19) 22-010 – No Probable Cause
- 20) 22-011 – No Probable Cause
- 21) 22-012 – On-going investigation
- 22) 22-013 – On-going investigation

New

- 23) 22-014 – No Probable Cause
- 24) 22-015 – On-going investigation

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) LANE, Morgan Elise – EPPP and PSE Candidate (Cook and Belle) Application tabled on May 13, 2022. Cease and desist letters were issued to the applicant and to the applicant's employer and supervisor in private practice, Dr. Felicia Houston, Ph.D. to ensure that the applicant is not practicing psychology without a license. The Board asked Dr. Houston to explain her possible role in supervising or aiding and abetting the applicant's practicing without licensure. The Board requested clarification and documentation from applicant

about how the internship experience meets qualifying criteria specified in Administrative Code Rules, a professional reference from internship experience, and modification to Specialization Statement to remove planned practice in Clinical Psychology, consistent with education and training in School Psychology. Applicant was admitted to the EPPP and PSE on July 8, 2022, with potential stipulations should a license be issued (if the Board determines that she practiced without a license from December 2021 to April 2022, then the license may be issued subject to disciplinary action up to and including probation and a public or private reprimand with continuing education requirements). Review information submitted by Dr. Lane's Supervisor, Felicia Houston, Ph.D. Mr. Johnston recommended that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss the potential threat of, or possibility of, litigation, and to discuss the good name and character of an individual. Motion by Cook: I move that the Board goes into Executive Session for twenty (20) minutes to discuss the potential threat of, or possibility of, litigation, and to discuss the good name and character of an individual. Seconded by Wisely. Motion passed. The Board moved into Executive Session at 1:45 p.m. with the intention of returning at 2:15 p.m. Motion by Cook: I move that we come out of Executive Session; the time is 2:01 p.m. Seconded by Wisely. Motion passed. Motion by Cook: I move to accept the additional information provided by Dr. Lane and Dr. Houston as indicating there is no probable cause for further investigation or action related to unlicensed practice and that, in addition, Dr. Lane may continue training with Dr. Houston under the current supervision agreement as detailed in the MOU between Dr. Houston and the University of Alabama, and that Dr. Lane's license will be issued pending successful passage of EPPP and PSE. Seconded by Carlton. Motion passed. Motion by Cook: I move to notify Dr. Houston that we have determined there is no probable cause to move to move forward with action against Dr. Houston for aiding and abetting Dr. Lane's practice without licensure. Seconded by Wisely second. Motion passed.

- 2) EPPP (Part 2 – Skills) Virtual Town Hall Meeting Recording; Announcement from ASPPB, August 13, 2022. Discussion. The Board will invite a representative, or representatives, from the ASPPB to join the Board for Q&As.
- 3) Military Family Jobs Opportunity Act – ACT #2022-92, Passed March 8, 2022 – Act requires boards to adopt related rules on or before January 1, 2023. Proposed update to Administrative Code Rule 750-X-2-.03 **Application Form**, and 750-X-2A-.03 **Application Form.**, and proposed new Administrative Code Rule 750-X-2-.10 **Certification Of Applicants Licensed To Practice In Another Jurisdiction Pursuant To Alabama Military Family Jobs Opportunity Act**. Notice of Intended Action to be published in the Alabama Administrative Monthly in September 2022. Review. Motion by Cook: I move to put this new language out for Public Comment, pursuant to the Military Family Jobs Opportunity Act. Seconded by Berland. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards' 62nd Annual Meeting of Delegates,

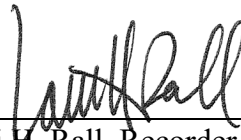
A New Day: No More Business as Usual, National Harbor, Maryland, October 23 – 30, 2022. Attendance and delegation. Lori Rall and Angie Ledbetter will attend. Motion by Cook: I make a motion to delegate Lori Rall as the Alabama Board Delegate. Seconded by Berland. Motion passed.

- 2) Bethany Brenes, MPA, LPTA – Potential unlicensed practice (Physical Therapist Assistant) Motion by Berland: I move that we issue a Cease-and-Desist letter to Ms. Brenes with a copy to the Physical Therapy Board. Seconded by Wisely second. Motion passed.

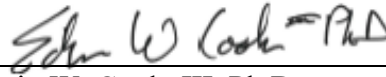
Motion by Berland: I move to adjourn now, at 2:29 p.m. Seconded by Cook. Motion passed.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: November 4, 2022

Respectfully Submitted,



Lori M. Rall, Recorder
Executive Director



Edwin W. Cook, III, Ph.D.
Vice-Chair