

BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 11, 2025
2:00 PM

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Call to Order:

	<p><u>Roll Call:</u> Meeting was called to order at 2.03PM and a quorum was established.</p> <p><u>Board Members</u> Anthony Jimenez, PhD – Chairperson Jeremy Kozne, PhD– Board Member Patrick Canavan, PhD-Board Member</p> <p><u>Board Staff</u> LaTrice Herndon, Executive Director Mavis Azariah Armattoo, Health Licensing Specialist Joanne Drozdoski, Board Attorney Deb Moss, Investigator Kera Johnson, Policy Analyst</p>	
<p>OS-0311-01</p>	<p><u>Approval of the Agenda</u></p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Dr. Jeremy Kozne to accept the March 11, 2025, Open Session Agenda. Seconded by Dr. Patrick Canavan.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Dr. Anthony Jimenez, Dr. Jeremy Kozne and Dr. Patrick Canavan voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously</p>	
<p>OS-0311-02</p>	<p><u>BOARD/DEPARTMENT’S REPORT</u></p> <p>A. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Herndon welcomed Dr. Patrick Canavan to the Board and advised the Board with 3 Board members now a quorum would be considered 2 Board members present. There are still 2 vacancies on the Psychology Board: for a Psychology Associate and a Behavior Analyst. • Ms. Herndon and the Board Attorney Joanne Drozdoski made initial contact with Dr. Jim Carr who is with the organization that certifies Behavior Analysts to discuss assistance with drafting of DC regulations for Behavior Analysts. • Licensure Census: Total of 1609 Psychologists and 289 Psychology Associates. • Legislative Updates: 	

	<p>Clean Hands Economic Expansion and Revitalization Amendment Act of 2025</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Councilmember McDuffie reintroduced the <i>Clean Hands Certification Economic Expansion and Revitalization Amendment Act of 2025</i> (B26-0054) on January 13, 2025. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ This legislation would remove the Clean Hands requirement from several occupational and professional licenses including any health professional license issued through DC Health. ○ A hearing was held on June 20, 2024. <p>DC Health FY 24 Performance Oversight Hearing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ DC Health recently had its performance oversight hearing in the Committee on Health for Fiscal Year 2024. ▪ The first part of the hearing was held on February 24th, 2025. That hearing featured public witnesses and included representatives from community members, advocates, and stakeholders. That hearing can be watched at the following link. ▪ Representatives from DC Health then testified to the Committee on February 26th, 2025. Testimony was provided by Director Bennett and other members of leadership and subject matter experts. Councilmembers asked questions of DC Health on a variety of topics including the agency’s reorganization, school health, the launch of new programs, and the agency’s response to emergency situations. That hearing can be watched at the following link. <p>Board Performance Oversight Hearing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ On March 5th, the Committee on Health held a Performance Oversight for the following health professional licensing boards: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Board of Medicine ○ Board of Dentistry ○ Board of Pharmacy ○ Board of Psychology ▪ The hearing featured testimony from public witnesses as well as from Chairpersons of the boards. The hearing can be watched at the following link. <p>B. BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Drozdoski also welcomed Dr. Canavan to the Board and indicated the Board had a quorum. <p>C. BOARD CHAIR’S REPORT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was no report from the Board Chair 	
<p>OS-0311-03</p>	<p><u>Open Session Minutes</u></p> <p><u>Motion:</u></p>	

	<p>Motion made by Dr. Jeremy Kozne to approve the January 14, 2025 Open Session Agenda. Seconded by Dr. Patrick Canavan.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Dr. Anthony Jimenez, Dr. Jeremy Kozne and Dr. Patrick Canavan voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously</p>	
<p>OS-0311-04</p>	<p><u>Use of AI to Complete Psychology Documentation</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> The Board is to begin discussions about how they wish to regulate it here in the District of Columbia.</p> <p>There was no motion on this matter, however it will be kept on the agenda for continued discussion on this matter.</p>	
<p>OS-0311-05</p>	<p><u>Continuing Education Audit Discussion</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> The Board is to determine how to process and handle CE audits for individual renewals.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> Effective June 16, 2024, the Director moved to change the renewal system to align with each licensee’s month of birth. Those who were born on the ‘odd year’ numbered will expired in ‘odd year’ and those who were born on an even year will expire in ‘even year’.</p> <p>In the past, the psychology renewal was held at the same time (December 31st of odd year). The Board used to audit 10% of the total of renewed licenses. However, with the new renewal system, all psychologists and psychology associates are renewed in different times.</p> <p>There was no motion on this matter. The Board agreed to keep the audit percentage at 10%.</p>	
<p>OS-0311-06</p>	<p><u>Consent Agenda:</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Consideration of the applications approved for purposes of review and/or ratification of Board actions taken since the last Board meeting.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> The Consent Agenda is a record of the decisions and/or actions taken by the Board or its staff since the last meeting of the Board.</p>	

	<p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Dr. Patrick Canavan to approve the March 11, 2025 Open Session Consent Agenda. Seconded by Dr. Jeremy Kozne.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Dr. Anthony Jimenez, Dr. Jeremy Kozne and Dr. Patrick Canavan voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
<p>OS-0311-07</p>	<p><u>MOTION TO CLOSE & ADJOURN</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u></p> <p>To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).</p> <p><u>Background:</u> Pursuant to DC Official Code § 2-575(b), the Board will move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting to discuss the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To consult with an attorney to obtain legal advice and to preserve the attorney-client privilege between an attorney and a public body, or to approve settlement agreements pursuant to § 2-575(b)(4)(a). 2. Preparation, administration, or grading of scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examinations pursuant to section § 2-575(b)(6). 3. To discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to section § 2575(b)(9). 4. To plan, discuss, or hear reports concerning ongoing or planned investigation of alleged criminal or civil misconduct or violations of law or regulations, if disclosure to the public would harm the investigation pursuant to section § 2-575(b) (14). <p>At the end of every meeting, a motion to adjourn must be made in open session to close out the business of the Board.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Dr. Jeremy Kozne to close the Open Session meeting at 2.40pm. Seconded by Dr. Patrick Canavan.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Dr. Anthony Jimenez, Dr. Jeremy Kozne and Dr. Patrick Canavan voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously</p>	

The Executive Session Minutes continues on the next page with 'Motion to Adjourn'.

The next meeting is scheduled on **Tuesday, May 13, 2025**. This ends the Open Session Minutes.

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