

BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

MEETING MINUTES

JULY 11, 2023
2:00 PM

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OPEN SESSION MINUTES JULY 11, 2023

Call to Order:

	<p><u>Roll Call:</u> Anthony Jimenez, PhD – Chairperson L. Hamilton Ferguson, MSA- Board Member</p> <p><u>Absent:</u> Joette James, PhD- Board Member</p> <p><u>HRLA Staff</u> LaTrice Herndon, Executive Director Fatima Abby, Health Licensing Specialist Joanne Drozdoski, Board Attorney Deb Moss, Investigator</p>	
<p>OS-0711-01</p>	<p><u>Approval of the Agenda</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Acceptance of the July 11, 2023 Open Session Agenda.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Mr. L. Hamilton Ferguson to accept the July 11, 2023, Open Session Agenda. Seconded by Dr. Anthony Jimenez.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Dr. Anthony Jimenez and Mr. L. Hamilton Ferguson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
<p>OS-0711-02</p>	<p><u>BOARD/DEPARTMENT’S REPORT</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT The Executive Director LaTrice Herndon provided updates on the following items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Operational Status Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mayor Muriel Bowser appointed a new Acting DC Health Director, Dr. Ayanna Bennett. Dr. Bennett will start on July 17, 2023. ▪ The District of Columbia Board of Medicine (the Board) is pleased to announce the rollout of the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact (Compact). Starting Monday, June 12, 2023, eligible 	

	<p>physicians can obtain licensure in multiple member states using one application. The Compact is one of many initiatives the Board participates in to help minimize the administrative burden on applicants and streamline the license approval.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Renewal Criminal Background Check (CBC): The CBC name search results will be required in order to renew the license. Our department is asking renewal applicants to renew as early as possible once the renewal starts in October 2023. ▪ Social Media: DC Health is using twitter and Instagram and Facebook to notify applicants about the social work (SW) license, medical training license (MTL) and Nursing renewals. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>Licensure Census</u>: 1578 psychologists and 282 psychology associates. ○ Legislative Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Joanne Drozdoski, Board Attorney reminded everyone about psychology and psychology associate renewals and how important to renew as early as possible. ● CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dr. Jimenez indicated that he has been attending the ASPPB weekly chairperson meeting. ○ Dr. Jimenez met with DOH liaison from Mayor’s Office of Talent and Appointments (MOTA) and shared his concern regarding appointment of additional board members. The MOTA representative has the reappointment package for Dr. Joette James, Mr. L. Hamilton Ferguson and Dr. Anthony Jimenez. 	
OS-0711-03	<p><u>Open Session Minutes</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u></p>	

	<p>Consideration of the Open Session minutes from May 9, 2023 meeting.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Mr. L. Hamilton Ferguson to accept the May 9, 2023, Open Session Minutes. Seconded by Dr. Anthony Jimenez.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Dr. Anthony Jimenez and Mr. L. Hamilton Ferguson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
<p>OS-0711-04</p>	<p><u>Delegation of Authority</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> The Board is to review and update the delegated authorities.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> The Board has delegated various authorities to Board staff to help accomplish the goal of public safety. These delegated authorities are limited in nature and are intended to facilitate the business of the Board in an efficient and expedient manner, while at the same time ensuring patient safety is always maintained.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Mr. L. Hamilton Ferguson to accept the delegated authority as written. Seconded by Dr. Anthony Jimenez.</p>	
<p>OS-0711-05</p>	<p><u>Endorsement Requirements/Reciprocity Pathway</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> The Board is to discuss and establish easier licensure pathways.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> In attempt to provide easier pathways to licensure, we are requesting each board to discuss and evaluate the following possibilities: Endorsement requirements, reciprocity pathways, and DMV reciprocity pathways.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Mr. L. Hamilton Ferguson to move the discussion with the reciprocity pathway with both Maryland and Virginia. Seconded by Dr. Anthony Jimenez.</p>	

	<p><u>Vote:</u> Dr. Anthony Jimenez and Mr. L. Hamilton Ferguson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
<p>OS-0711-07</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 Mr. L. Hamilton Ferguson to approve the Consent Agenda as it is. Seconded by Dr. Anthony Jimenez.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Dr. Anthony Jimenez and Mr. L. Hamilton Ferguson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
<p>OS-0711-08</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).

At the end of every meeting, a motion to adjourn must be made in open session to close out the business of the Board.

Motion:

Motion made by Mr. L. Hamilton Ferguson to close the open session meeting. Seconded by Dr. Anthony Jimenez.

Vote:

Dr. Anthony Jimenez and Mr. L. Hamilton Ferguson voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Open Session Agenda continues on the next page with '**Motion to Adjourn**'. The next meeting is scheduled on **Tuesday, September 12, 2023.**

This ends the Open Session Minutes.

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