

BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

Open Session Minutes

April 9, 2019

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OPEN SESSION APRIL 9, 2019 MINUTES

Call to Order: 2:45 pm

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| | <p><u>Roll Call:</u> Anthony Jimenez, PhD – Chairperson Eric Jones, PhD- Board Member Teresa Grant, PhD- Board Member</p> <p><u>Absent:</u> Louis Ferguson- Consumer Member Joette James, PhD- Board Member</p> <p><u>HRLA Staff</u> Aisha Nixon, Interim Executive Director Fatima Abby, Health Licensing Specialist Panraeve Vongjaroenrat, Board Attorney Deb Moss, Board Investigator Gregory Scurlock, Compliance Officer</p> | |
| <p>OS-0409-01</p> | <p><u>Approval of the Agenda</u> The agenda was approved by consensus.</p> | |
| <p>OS-0409-02</p> | <p><u>BOARD/DEPARTMENT’S REPORT</u></p> <p>A. <u>INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT</u> Ms. Aisha Nixon reported on the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of active psychologists and psychology associates (1402 psychologists/120 psychology associates) • ASPPB’s 34th Midyear meeting is scheduled on April 11-14, 2019 in Santa Fe, New Mexico. • Number of active licensed psychologists who reside in District of Columbia will be provided at the next Board meeting. <p>B. <u>BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT</u> There was no report from the Board attorney.</p> <p>C. <u>CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT</u> Dr. Anthony Jimenez, Board Chair, along with Ms. Aisha Nixon and Dr. Eric Jones will attend the ASPPB’s 34th Midyear meeting is scheduled on April 11-14, 2019 in Santa Fe, New Mexico.</p> | |
| <p>OS-0409-03</p> | <p><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES:</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Consideration of the open session minutes of the January 15, 2019 meeting.</p> | |

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| | <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Dr. Teresa Grant to approve the January 15, 2019 open minutes. Seconded by Dr. Eric Jones.</p> <p>Dr. Anthony Jimenez, Dr. Eric Jones, and Dr. Teresa Grant voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> | |
| OS-0409-04 | <p><u>PSYPACT- Introduction</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> The Board is to review the Bill.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> AAG Panravee Vongjaroenrat informed the Board that the Director/ Council Member would like to know the Board’s position on the Bill. Dr. Anthony Jimenez stated he will get more information and clarity regarding the PSYPACT at the ASPPB conference to bring back to the Board. There was no formal motion made.</p> | |
| OS-0409-05 | <p><u>Applications for CE Approvals from PESI, Inc.:</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> The Board is to delegate a Board member to review the submitted CE applications.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> PESI, Inc. submitted CE applications for upcoming courses for approval for Board review.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> The Board discussed the need for a delegated member of the Board review and make recommendations to the full Board regarding CE applications. Dr, Teresa Grant volunteered to review future courses requesting CE approval. The Board requested that additional information be provided by CE providers if the course has not been approved by the American Psychological Association. There was no formal motion made.</p> | |
| OS-0409-06 | <p><u>Board Approved Continuing Education Program:</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> The Board is to determine whether or not to accept PESI, Inc. as a board approved program.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> PESI, Inc. is an APA approved sponsor of continuing professional education for psychologists. Ms. Tiffany Richter, continuing Education Manager at PESI, indicated that they continue to provide only the highest quality programs to meet the needs of practicing</p> | |

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| | <p>psychologists. Recently, they’ve decided to try a new approach to continuing education approvals by working directly with boards. She requested that the Board accept PESI, Inc. as an approved program.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Dr. Eric Jones to declined PESI’s request as a board-approved sponsor and their decision is based on the Board’s long-standing, preferred approach of relying on the resources and expertise of the American Psychological Association to determine the quality of continuing education programs. The Board may review and approve CE programs but is reserved for limited circumstances. Seconded by Dr. Teresa Grant.</p> <p>Dr. Anthony Jimenez, Dr. Eric Jones, and Dr. Teresa Grant voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> | |
| <p>OS-0409-07</p> | <p><u>Adjournment</u></p> <p>Upon conclusion of the open session meeting pursuant to the DC Official Code 2-575B and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board moved into the closed executive session portion of the meeting to consult with the Board attorney, discuss disciplinary matters and hear reports concerning violations of the law or regulations.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Dr. Eric Jones to close the open session of the meeting and go into closed session. Seconded by Dr. Teresa Grant.</p> <p>Dr. Anthony Jimenez, Dr. Eric Jones, and Dr. Teresa Grant voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> | |

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for **Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at 2:30 pm.**