



STATE OF OKLAHOMA
Board of Examiners of Psychologists

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD
May 19, 2023

The Oklahoma State Board of Examiners of Psychologists Meeting began at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, May 19, 2023. The meeting took place at the Colcord Center, 421 NW 13th Street, Suite 125, Oklahoma City, OK 73103.

In attendance were: C. Grundy, Ph.D., Chair of the Board; K. Ward, Ph.D., Vice-Chair of the Board; S. Sternlof, Ph.D., Member of the Board; A. Ivy, Member of the Board; K. Choate, Ph.D., Member of the Board; K. Peters, Member of the Board; B. Warren, Assistant Attorney General; T. Rose, Executive Officer of the Board.

Not present: R. Pollard, Member of the Board.

Announcement and Introduction:

Dr. Grundy announced that a quorum was present to conduct business. He confirmed with Ms. Rose that the meeting was filed with the Secretary of State, and the agenda was posted in accordance with the Open Meeting Act.

Statement of the Mission of the Oklahoma State Board of Examiners of Psychologists:

Dr. Grundy announced the mission of the Oklahoma State Board of Examiners of Psychologists is to protect the public by regulating the practice of psychology in Oklahoma to ensure that only properly qualified psychologists practice psychology in the state and that the psychology profession as a whole is conducted in the public's best interest.

Minutes:

Board members reviewed the meeting minutes on March 24, 2023. *Dr. Ward motioned to approve the meeting minutes on March 24, 2023. Mr. Peters seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sternlof, Ivy, Choate, Ward, Peters, and Grundy voted for the motion.*

Probable Cause Committee Summaries and Recommendations:

As a member of the Probable Cause Committee, Dr. Ward recused and left the room.

RFI 22-8; On behalf of the Probable Cause Committee, Ms. Warren provided a recommendation to the Board. RFI 22-8 alleges eight areas of concern regarding the psychologist. An investigator was appointed, and more information was obtained. The Probable Cause Committee met on May 12, 2023, and later reconvened on May 17, 2023. After a thorough review of the

investigation and all facts and information received and discussed, the Probable Cause Committee determined that the psychologist committed no ethical violations. Therefore, the Probable Cause Committee recommends dismissing RFI 22-8, and the file closed. *Dr. Sternlof made a motion to accept the recommendation of the committee. Dr. Choate seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sternlof, Ivy, Choate, Peters, and Grundy voted for the motion. As a member of the PCC, Dr. Ward was not present for the vote.*

Complaints, Orders, and Miscellaneous Disciplinary Matters:

Unlicensed Complaint - U.C. 23-3; Board members reviewed a "Psychodiagnostic Evaluation" provided to the Board office. The evaluation was performed by an individual who is a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) and Certified School Psychometrist. Ms. Rose provided additional information concerning previous issues addressed by the board with this individual, including a copy of a Cease and Desist Letter issued following the Board meeting on May 17, 2019, a discussion with the individual when she attended the Board meeting on May 29, 2020, virtually, concerning her use of the protected terms "psychological" and "psychology" in her reports and/or letterhead, in which during the meeting, she agreed to no longer use those terms, and another letter sent to her following the meeting on March 26, 2021. *Dr. Grundy motioned to file corresponding inquiries with the Board of Education and the Board of Behavioral Health Licensure to notify them of the persistence of these complaints and concurrently have the A.G. Office communicate with the District Attorney in the appropriate county. Dr. Ward seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sternlof, Ivy, Choate, Ward, Peters, and Grundy voted for the motion.*

William Chadwick Ellis, Plaintiff, v. State of Oklahoma, ex. Rel. Oklahoma State Board of Examiners of Psychologists, Defendant, Case No. CV-2023-34, in the District Court of Osage County:

Dr. Ward motioned to enter into Executive Session, pursuant to 26 O.S. 307(B)(4), with the advice of legal counsel, for the purpose of confidential communications between the Board and its attorney concerning the following pending litigation. Dr. Sternlof seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sternlof, Ivy, Choate, Ward, Peters, and Grundy voted for the motion.

For the record, Ms. Warren stated that, in her opinion, the Executive Session is valid pursuant to 26 O.S. § 307(B)(4).

Board members, the Board Advisor, and the Executive Officer left the room for the Executive Session.

Board members, the Board Advisor, and the Executive Officer returned to the room.

Dr. Sternlof made a motion to return to the Open Session. Dr. Ward seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sternlof, Ivy, Choate, Ward, Peters, and Grundy voted for the motion.

Ms. Warren stated for the record and the minutes that during the executive session, no items were discussed that were not listed on the agenda, and no actions were taken.

No further action was taken.

Draft Order regarding the decision of the Board at the meeting on March 24, 2023, concerning the PETITION FOR DECLARATORY RULING, Declaratory Ruling No. 2023-01, filed on January 6, 2023.

Dr. Ward motioned to enter Executive Session, pursuant to 26 O.S. 307(B)(8). Dr. Ivy seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sternlof, Ivy, Choate, Ward, Peters, and Grundy voted for the motion.

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Dr. Ward motioned to accept the ORDER OF REFUSAL TO ISSUE DECLARATORY RULING as authored. Mr. Peters seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sternlof, Ivy, Choate, Ward, Peters, and Grundy voted for the motion.

Guidelines for the Oklahoma State Health Information Network Exchange (OKSHINE):

Board members reviewed potential guidelines concerning HIE. *This matter was tabled.*

Applications approved by the Application Review Committee (March – April 2023):

Dr. Choate motioned to ratify the applications approved by the review committee in March – April 2023. Dr. Ward seconded the motion and the motion passed. Ivy, Choate, Ward, Peters, and Grundy voted for the motion. Sternlof recused.

Executive Officer's P-Card Statements for Review and Approval (March - April 2023):

Dr. Ivy motioned to approve the Executive Officer's March – April 2023 P-Card Statements. Dr. Choate seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sternlof, Ivy, Choate, Ward, Peters, and Grundy voted for the motion.

Administrative Issues:

Monthly Budget/Revenue/Expense Report:

Board members reviewed the monthly budget, revenue, and expense reports presented by Ms. Rose.

2024 Budget:

Dr. Ward motioned to accept the FY2024 budget, as presented by Ms. Rose. Dr. Sternlof seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sternlof, Ivy, Choate, Ward, Peters, and Grundy voted for the motion.

PSYPACT Updates:

Ms. Rose provided members with the 2022 PSYPACT Commission Annual Report.

ASPPB Updates and Midyear Meeting Report:

- Ms. Rose provided members with the March 2023 ASPPB Newsletter.
- Dr. Ward, Dr. Sternlof, and Ms. Rose shared information they obtained by attending the ASPPB Midyear Meeting.

Administrative Updates:

Ms. Rose provided the following updates:

- HB2812 – Sunset Bill recreating the OSBEP until 2025, passed and was signed by the Governor on April 21, 2023.
- HB1345 – Reciprocity Bill that would allow the Board to enter into an agreement with another State that has equal or substantially the same licensure requirements will be addressed during the next legislative session.

Oklahoma Psychological Association Updates:

Board members reviewed a request from the Oklahoma Psychological Association for the Board to consider submitting a request for guidance from the Oklahoma Attorney General on the legality of SB1369 and its impact on the regulations and licensure of psychologists in the State of Oklahoma. *Dr. Ward made a motion to submit a request for an Official Opinion of the Attorney General as requested by the OPA. Dr. Grundy seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sternlof, Ivy, Choate, Ward, Peters, and Grundy voted for the motion.*

Legislative Updates:

Danna Fowble, Executive Director of the Oklahoma Psychological Association, updated the Board on current legislative matters.

Public Comment:

Dr. Grundy opened the meeting for public comment. One comment was heard.

Adjournment:

Dr. Grundy announced that there is no further business to discuss. *Dr. Sternlof made a motion to adjourn. Dr. Ward seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sternlof, Ivy, Choate, Ward, Peters, and Grundy voted for the motion.*

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Teanne Rose
Executive Officer

**Oklahoma State Board of Examiners of Psychologists
Application Review Committee Approvals
March - April 2023**

Psychological Technicians:

Psychologist:

Joseph James, Psy.D.
Timothy Doty, Psy.D.
Larry Vaught, Ph. D.
Renee L. Allen, Ph.D.
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Sumali "Molly" Fernando, Psy.D.
Scott Secor, Ph.D.

Psychological Technician:

Matt Crowley
Cameron Fenimore
Najla Kutait-Faulkner
Haley Petingell
Anna (Tina) Little
Caitlin Cox
Taylor Jester

Continuing Professional Education (CPE):

"What Would I Do? What Should I Do? Legal and Ethical Decision Making in Behavioral Health Care"

Sponsor: Saint Francis; 3CPE hours each day; May 25 & September 22, 2023

"Ethical Conflicts in Confidentiality" Sponsor: CAPS-Tulsa; 3CPE hours; June 2, 2023.

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"The Neuroscience of Addiction, Trauma and Attachment: Clinical Implications for Adults and Adolescents"

Sponsor: Parkside Psychiatric Hospital and Clinic; 6CPE hours; Dec 15, 2023

Applications to sit for Licensure Examinations and/or Practice Under Supervision Agreements:

Andrew Garcia, Psy.D.	Approval of application to sit for exams and IPUS with Billy Boyd, Ph.D.
Amber Nipper, Ph.D.	Approval of Postdoc and HSP for Licensure
Rudney Danquah, Ph.D.	Approval of application to sit for exams and IPUS with J. David Bright, Psy.D.
Alicia Janos, Ph.D.	Approval of application for licensure upon successful completion of the J.P. exam
Timothy James Little, Ph.D.	Approval to sit for exams

Licensed Health Service Psychologists

March – April 2023:

Amber Nipper, Ph.D.	License Number: 1427	Issue Date: 03/20/2023
Candice Keyes, Ph.D.	License Number: 1428	Issue Date: 03/27/2023
Teri D. Davis, Ph.D.	License Number: 1429	Issue Date: 04/03/2023
Emily F. Peters, Ph.D.	License Number: 1430	Issue Date: 04/05/2023