

MINUTES
UTAH PSYCHOLOGIST LICENSING BOARD
ELECTRONIC MEETING
January 20, 2022 | 9:00 A.M.

Public attendance was provided electronically.

CONVENED: 1:02 P.M.

ADJOURNED: 1:28 P.M.

DOPL STAFF PRESENT ELECTRONICALLY

Bureau Manager: Jennifer Falkenrath

Board Secretary: Julie Pulsipher

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT ELECTRONICALLY:

Chair: Dr. Melissa Jones, Psychologist Dr. Cade Charlton, Behavior Analyst

Vice Chair: Dr. David Dodgion, Psychologist Dr. Jamie Brass, Psychologist

Dr. Melanie Domenech Rodriguez, Psychologist Dr. Richard Engar, Public Member

(Dr. Melanie Domenech Rodriguez Joined the meeting at 1:04 P.M.)

GUESTS:

Nancy Klein

Note: Others may have been in attendance but were not identified.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Dr. Jones called the meeting to order at 1:02 P.M.

Read and Approve November 18, 2022 Meeting Minutes

(See Audio 1 for Specifics 00:02:48-00:03:00)

Dr. David Dodgion motioned to approve Minutes from 11/18/2021.

Dr. Richard Engar seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

(See Audio for Specifics 00:03:01-00:16:56)

ASPPB

Dr. David Dodgion gave an update from the virtual ASPPB Conference in the Fall of 2021.

Dr. Dodgion stated the EPPP2 has caused a great deal of controversy; the majority of the licensing jurisdictions are not supportive of the EPPP2. Dr. Dodgion stated ASPPB has gone through an intensive self-review process over the past year. Dr. Dodgion stated controversial aspects were ASPPB's lack of adequately surveying whether there was need for an exam, and whether competence was really based on an exam.

Dr. Dodgion stated in ASPPB's self-review, they identified several goals. ASPPB goals are to:

- **improve communication with and connection to Licensing Boards,**
- **become a better resource for information for regulation,**
- **solicit feedback from the different jurisdictions for initiatives,**
- **address the negative EPPP2 sentiment,**
- **improve ASPPB's connection with APA,**
- **eradicate the sentiment ASPPB is profit-oriented rather than public-service oriented.**

Dr. Dodgion stated during the ASPPB meeting, ASPPB had not made the final decision on the EPPP2. Dr. Dodgion stated ASPPB is considering an integration of competency questions into a single exam to be issued by 2026. Dr. Dodgion stated information coming from the newsletter, however, is different regarding the EPPP2. The newsletter indicated they are going forward with the EPPP2. Dr. Dodgion expressed his confusion as to the contradictory statements.

Dr. Jones expressed it was troubling to hear that news.

Dr. Dodgion stated it was troubling since there has been such resistance to the EPPP2. Dr. Dodgion stated sentiment it was the job of academic programs, internships and residencies to determine and foster competency rather than by giving an exam.

Dr. Dodgion indicated North Carolina is requiring an ethics exam for re-licensure every two years at their license renewal date. Dr. Dodgion stated the purpose was to prevent professional competency drift. In addition, Dr. Dodgion stated North Carolina is also providing a supervisor training program.

Ms. Falkenrath asked if the supervisor training was conducted by the Board, a regulatory agency, or by a private company.

Dr. Dodgion stated it was an initiative from the Board, but he was not sure how the training is provided. Dr. Dodgion stated it is not a private company providing the program.

Comments, Questions, and Concerns were discussed.

Dr. Dodgion stated it would be worth considering to have refreshing of knowledge. Dr. Dodgion stated the Newsletter had a link that provides a good potential resource for data analysis for psychology licensure procedures.

Dr. Jones stated she agreed with accreditation agencies and training programs ensuring competency. Dr. Jones stated she is troubled EPPP2 is going forward. Dr. Jones stated the national meetings are held quarterly on the same day and time as this Board Meeting, and it has been difficult to attend both.

Ms. Falkenrath stated her desire for Board members to be able to attend both Division and National meetings. Ms. Falkenrath asked if a different time or day would be advantageous to consider for Division Meetings. Ms. Falkenrath stated the next Meeting of Delegates would be on April 21-24, 2022. As it is scheduled now, the meeting is scheduled to be an in-person meeting in New Orleans. Ms. Falkenrath asked Board Members if her forwarded emails were helpful.

The Board stated they wanted Ms. Falkenrath to continue sending the forwarded emails.

Dr. Dodgion stated he has traditionally attended the national NAPPB meetings. He indicated for in-person attendance there is a stipend, but it only covers the cost of one conference.

Dr. Jones stated she hoped the meeting would be virtual so they could attend.

Possible times, days of the week, and dates were discussed for the Division Board Meeting.

Dr. Jones stated she will forward invitations and get accurate dates for upcoming national meetings to be able to relay information to Board Members.

CEU REQUIREMENTS:

(See Audio for Specifics 00:16:57-00:26:22)

Dr. Jamie Brass stated it has been clarified that synchronous participatory live webinars can be used as live CEU's. On the website, however, she has had difficulty finding the information.

Ms. Falkenrath stated in the Psychology Licensing Act Rule 156-61-302h, the 18 hours wording was to signify inactive, ie: "not interacting with the audience or able to ask questions". Ms. Falkenrath recognized clarification would be beneficial.

Ms. Falkenrath asked if defining *asynchronous* versus *synchronous* would be helpful.

Dr. Brass stated clarification to the language in the *Live* section would be the best.

Nancy Klein wrote in the chat box, "Clarification would be best in the LIVE part of the rules re: CE rather than in the 18 hr internet part."

Dr. Jamie Brass made a motion that the rules be updated to reflect a new definition of synchronous versus asynchronous online learning, and the Live section of the CEU's be updated to reflect synchronous learning as being considered Live.

Dr. Rodriguez seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:28 P.M.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 21, 2022.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

David Dodgion

David Dodgion (Oct 20, 2022 16:23 MDT)

David A Dodgion, Psychologist

Jana Johansen

Jana Johansen, Bureau Manager

10/20/2022

Date

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