

INDIANA STATE PSYCHOLOGY BOARD

Minutes

July 12, 2024

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Dr. Hale called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. in Conference Center – Room 1 of the Indiana Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, and declared a quorum in accordance with Indiana Code § 25-33-1-3(g).

Board Members Present:

Gregory Hale, Ph.D., Chair
Stephen G. Ross, Psy.D., Vice Chair
Jere Leib, Ph.D., Member
Amber Finley, JD, Consumer Member

Board Members Not Present:

Raymond W. Horn, Ph.D., Member

State Officials Present:

Cindy Vaught, Board Director, Professional Licensing Agency
Dana Brooks, Assistant Board Director, Professional Licensing Agency
Chris Anderson, Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General

II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda as amended.

Finley/Ross
Motion carried 4/0/0

III. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The minutes of May 17, 2024 are still under review.

IV. REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

A representative of the Office of the Attorney General, presented the consumer complaint report presented to Board. She reported that they have closed twenty-five (25) consumer complaints this year, opened thirty-seven (37) this year, and there are currently twenty-four (24) open. The average age for the open complaints is eleven point eight (11.8) months. Primarily complaints have been filed in Marion County followed by Hamilton County. There are currently twenty-nine (29) complaints filed against psychologists. The primary complaint against psychologists have been unprofessional conduct followed by professional malpractice, and professional incompetence.

There has been one (1) litigation case open this year with one (1) litigation case currently open. The duration of the litigation is four point two (4.2) months.

V. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

A. Probation

B. Application

1. Robert Allen, Ph.D Exam Attempt

Dr. Allen appeared as requested via phone conference to discuss his next EPPP examination attempt. He provided a summary of his study materials and what he struggles with in taking the examination. The Board discussed other factors that might prevent him passing the examination and advised him to obtain accommodation if needed.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve Dr. Allen to take the EPPP examination.

Ross/Leib
Motion carried 4/0/0

2. Nina Miller, Ph.D

Dr. Miller appeared as requested to provide clarification on her psychology and HSPP applications. She explained that her program was in the process of obtaining APA accreditation when she completed it. She provided a summary of her doctoral internship, outlining the interns, supervisors, and location.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve Dr. Miller's psychology and HSPP application.

Leib/Finley
Motion carried 4/0/0

C. Reinstatement

There were no reinstatements for review.

VI. DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no discussion items.

VII. APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW

A. Limited Scope Temporary Psychology Permit

There were no Limited Scope applications.

B. Psychology by Examination/Reciprocity

1. Samuel Moya (Ph.D.)

Dr. Moya appeared to discuss his psychology application. His application was submitted for review as it was not an APA approved program. He provided supporting documentation for the Board to review. The Board discussed how his online program was set up, how his doctoral internship was completed, and if his program had an "in person" option. The board expressed concerns regarding a total online program and if he was advised incorrectly by his program. The Board requested additional information on what was communicated to him regarding his program meeting Indiana's requirements.

Dr. Moya's application was tabled.

C. HSPP Endorsement

There were no HSPP applications for review.

D. Continuing Education

1. Bloomington Counseling and Consultation

The Board reviewed the request to become a Category 1 CE sponsor and noted that the presenter does not appear to be a psychologist but a Social Worker.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to deny Bloomington Counseling and Consultation's CE Sponsor application.

Hale/Ross
Motion carried 4/0/0

2. Joseph Molitor

The CE Mr. Molitor provided is sponsored by the APA and PESI which is an automatically approved provider.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve Joseph Molitor's CE Sponsor application.

Hale/Finley
Motion carried 4/0/0

VIII. INDIANA PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION REPORT

Mr. Rhoad presented an update from the IPA. He noted that they are currently going through the re-credentialing process to be an APA CE Category I provider.

Mr. Rhoad discussed the EPPP part 2 and stated that he will give an update on the next meeting. He stated that Texas has filed litigation against the APSBB regarding part 2 of the exam. The Board noted that Dr. Bowman, former Board member, is still part of the ASPPB and can provide information on that side if need clarification.

Mr. Rhoad discussed the Bowen Center Project and provided information on the Final draft. He noted concerns on the validity of the data as it does not track the residency of those practitioners licensed in Indiana, so you cannot tell how many practitioners are actually located in the State. He stated that the Bowen Center is still proposing a Master level psychology license and stated that license type will come eventually. The Board noted that a Master level psychology license might address the concern as you will have to have a scope of practice discussion.

Mr. Rhoad discussed that Indiana Psychologists are now in Renewal, and he will get with IPLA regarding data.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, and having completed its duties, the meeting of the Indiana State Psychology Board adjourned at 10:41 a.m.

Gregory Hale, Ph.D., Chair

Date