

**NORTH CAROLINA PSYCHOLOGY BOARD**  
**Open Session Minutes**  
**May 7, 2021**  
**Raleigh, NC**

The North Carolina Psychology Board met in its regularly scheduled meeting on May 7, 2021, at the North Carolina Department of Justice, Raleigh, NC.

Members present for all or part of the meeting: Helen Brantley, Ph.D., Chair; Stacie MacDonald Jones, M.A., Vice Chair; Katrina Brent; Lisa Duck, MPH; Susan Hurt, Ph.D.; G. Gail Neffinger, Ph.D.; and Tonya Omar, M.A.

Others present for all or parts of the meeting: Daniel P. Collins, Executive Director; Marc Davis, Staff Psychologist/Investigator; and Sondra Panico, Assistant Attorney General.

Dr. Brantley reminded Board members that, in accordance with the State Government Ethics Act, it is the duty of every Board member to avoid both conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict. Board members were directed to identify any known conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to any matters coming before the Board at the meeting and to refrain from any undue participation in the particular matter involved. Board members were asked to identify any known conflict of interest or appearance of conflict of interest with respect to any matters coming before the Board at the meeting, and instructed that, if one arose during the course of this meeting, to articulate it to the Board.

**General**

1. Open session minutes of February 12, 2021 meeting were approved as amended.
2. Open session minutes of April 15, 2021 meeting were approved as amended.
3. The financial report for the period ending March 31, 2021 was reviewed.
4. The Board discussed COVID-19 related waivers and extensions and agreed to extend testing and background check deadlines and to continue to accept electronically submitted documents.
5. The Board received a report from the Supervisor Training Committee.
6. The Board received a report from the Online State/Ethics Exam Committee
7. The Board discussed the upcoming call with UNC-CH Psychology program trainers.
8. The Board was updated on Legislative matters.
9. Dr. Brantley provided a report on the recent ASPPB mid-year meeting.
10. The Board discussed the next issue of The Bulletin Board.

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11. The Board reviewed upcoming Board meeting dates.
12. The Board reviewed ethics training due dates.
13. The Board discussed establishing service recognition award.
14. Approval of Information Items/Staff Actions.

### **Legal/Ethical**

15. Case #052109 Lacy Frazer, Psy.D. (unlic.) – CPT alleged he viewed a website for a behavioral and wellness center and noticed that LF was listed as a “clinical psychologist” under the staff page. Following review of the case report and discussion, the Board determined that LF was in compliance with the Practice Act and closed the case.

16. Case #052110 Claudia Rickard (unlic.) – CPT alleged CR was treating dementia patients with hypnotherapy per CR’s website. Following review of the case report, CR’s response and discussion, the Board instructed staff to remind CR that hypnosis is considered the practice of psychology and to provide an affidavit that she will not provide services that constitute the practice of psychology unless she becomes licensed by the Board.

17. The Board was updated on recent discussion with MCO representatives regarding behavioral analysis practice requirements.

### **REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

Upon a motion made and adopted by the Board to hold a closed session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.18(6), the Board went into closed session to discuss individual applicants or individual licensees, following which, it reported:

### **Legal/Ethical**

18. Chioma Igboegwu – The Board proposed to deny licensure at the Licensed Psychologist level. A hearing was held in open session on May 7, 2021. Following discussion in closed session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.18(6), the Board announced in open session that it determined to deny Ms. Igboegwu’s application for licensure at the Licensed Psychologist level.

19. Watson, Nancy, Ph.D. - CONSENT ORDER was approved and signed on May 7, 2021, 2021. Respondent admits that the conduct described in Paragraphs 2 and 10 of the consent order constitutes violations of N.C. Gen. Stat. Sec 90-270.15(a)(10), (a) (11), (a)(14), (a)(15), (a)(17) and (a)(18) of the North Carolina Psychology Practice Act, and constitutes violations of Standards 3.04, 6.01, 6.02(a) and 9.01(a) of the Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct. The license of Respondent is hereby CENSURED.

20. Monis, Ann, Psy.D. – FINAL DECISION denying Dr. Monis’ application for licensure at the Licensed Psychologist level was signed and approved on May 7, 2021. The Board determined to deny Dr. Monis’ application if certain conditions were not met by the Board’s August meeting.

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21. Dornburg, Beate – FINAL DECISION denying Ms. Dornburg’s application for licensure at the Licensed Psychological Associate level was signed and approved on May 7, 2021.
22. Tyler, Deborah, Ph.D. – The Board reviewed and approved the tutorial report submitted by Thomas Thompson, Ph.D.
23. Miller-Urban, Kimber Lee, Ed.S. – The Board reviewed and approved the tutorial report submitted by Kolleen Fox, Ph.D.
24. Hooker, Emily, M.A. – The Board reviewed and approved the tutorial report submitted by Robert Hill, Ph.D.
25. Mehta, Sachi Jaheri, Psy.D. – Applicant for Licensure – The Board reviewed and denied Dr. Mehta’s request for an extension to her EPPP testing deadline.
26. Cooley, Eileen, Ph.D. – Applicant for Licensure - At its February 12, 2021 meeting, the Board proposed to deny Dr. Cooley’s application for licensure as she did not meet the requirements under the senior psychologist provisions. The Board reviewed and approved Dr. Cooley’s request to withdraw her application.
27. Flynn, Sharon, Ph.D. – Applicant for Licensure – The Board reviewed and denied Dr. Flynn’s request to have her state exam testing deadline extended to an unspecified date.
28. Wheelless, Linnie, Ph.D. – Applicant for Licensure – The Board reviewed and denied Dr. Wheelless’ request that her failure to sit for the licensure exam be waived.
29. Furmanski, Cynthia, Ph.D. – The Board reviewed and denied Dr. Furmanski’s request that her application be reinstated and her testing deadlines reset.
30. Boulter, Lyn, Ph.D. – The Board reviewed Dr. Boulter’s request for the Board’s advice on whether she should retain her provisional LP license and instructed staff to follow up with her.
31. Alston, Courtney, M.A. – The Board reviewed and approved special testing accommodations request.
32. Toyer, Edward, Ph.D. – The Board reviewed and denied Dr. Toyer’s request to waive Supervisor Forms.

### **File Review**

#### Admit to Both Exams

Jeremy Connelly, Ph.D.

Michael Feeney, Ph.D.

#### Admit to State Exam

Matthew Childs, Psy.D.

Daphne Timmons, Ph.D.

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Admit EPPP

Gretchen Hernandez-Lopez, Ph.D.

Proposed Denial

Jennifer Brady Chitjian, M.A.

Decision Deferred for Additional Information

Megan O'Reilly Foran, Ph.D.

Thomas Miller, Psy.D.

**INFORMATION ITEMS/STAFF ACTIONS**  
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The following files have been processed since the last meeting:

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**Admit to Both Exam**

Armstrong, Jenna - PP ()  
Birtles, Karissa - PP ()  
Blakey, Shannon - LP ()  
Chan, Michele - PA ()  
Cureton, Jensen - PA ()  
Ernst, Katherine - PP ()  
Fleischmann, Charles - PP ()  
Fraysier, Kathleen - PP (ReApp)  
French, Alexis - PP ()  
Gruhn, Meredith - PP ()  
Hayden, Sydney - PA ()  
Lee, Jessica - PA ()  
Owens, Alyssa - PP ()  
Pritzker, Erica - PP ()  
Roth, Katy - LP ()  
Sendowski, Tahl - PP ()  
Sircar, Joseph - PA ()  
Stevens-Carr, Mary - PP ()  
Sulovski, Kasey - PA ()  
Washburn, Jenna - PA ()  
Williams, Yolanda - PA ()

**Admit to State Exam**

Chu, Samantha - LP ()  
Coffman, Theodora - LP (Mobility)  
Cole, Judy - LP (Mobility)  
Flores, Jose - LP (Military)  
Gobin, Robyn - LP (Mobility)  
Hunter, Melissa - LP (Senior)  
Marterer, Patricia - LP (Senior)  
McDowell, Christopher - LP (Mobility)  
Middaugh, Anne - LP (Mobility)  
Miller, Angela - LP (Mobility)

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Tippens, Norman - LP (Mobility)  
Wagar, Barbara - LP (Mobility)  
Washington, Aryssa - LP ()

**Admit to EPPP**

Torres Cano, Maria - PA (Military,ReApp)

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Daniel P. Collins  
Executive Director