

# Maryland State Board of Examiners of Psychologists

## Open Board Meeting Minutes – June 29, 2018

The 633<sup>rd</sup> Open Board Meeting of the Maryland Board of Examiners of Psychologists was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by the Chairperson, Cyndie Buckson, Psy.D.

### **Board Members Present:**

Linda Berg-Cross, Ph.D.  
Irene W. Leigh, Ph.D.  
Lydia McCargo-Redd, Consumer Member  
Reginald Nettles, Ph.D., CGP  
Raj Razdan, Consumer Member

### **Board Members Absent:**

Christopher Bishop, Psy.D.  
James F. Gormally, Ph.D., ABPP Vice-Chairperson  
Neal R. Morris, Ed.D. MS, CBSM, ABPP

### **Staff Present:**

Lorraine Smith, Executive Director  
Stephanie Coley, Administrative Assistant  
Sally Mitchell, Licensing Coordinator  
Brett Felter AAG, Board Counsel

### **Interpreters:**

Charmine Johnson  
Leah Moore

### **Public:**

Kim Lang, DOH  
Lillian Reese, DOH  
Peter Smith, MPA

### **A. Minutes**

Minutes of the Open Meeting held on June 1, 2018 were reviewed **A motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried to accept the minutes as submitted.**

### **B. Announcements**

Executive Director - The list of registrants for the July law exam was reviewed. **A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously carried to approve the list and to authorize the licensing committee to approve others who may register later.**

It was reported that the Board's telehealth regulations are still under review.

Ms. Smith reported that today was Dr. Buckson and Ms. McCargo-Redd's last Board meeting. Ms. Smith thanked them both for their service to the Board.

Ms. Smith reported that the online Board member training sponsored by the Council on Licensure, Enforcement and Regulation (CLEAR) will begin in the fall. Board members will complete the five modules on their own and different Board members will facilitate a discussion of each module during an open meeting. Additional information will be forthcoming.

### **C. Competency Reports**

Board Competency Committee Members - Drs. Bishop, Gormally, Buckson, Mr. Razdan

Mr. Razdan presented the committee's suggestions of ways to enhance the Board's competency.

- Redefine a standardized process to review cases.
- Implement a mentoring process for new board members.
- Periodically review existing regulations.
- Have a forensic psychologist serve on the Board.

Licensee Competency Committee Members- Drs. Nettles, Berg-Cross, Leigh, Ms. McCargo-Redd

Dr. Berg-Cross presented the committee's suggestions on ways to enhance licensee competency.

- Dedicate a column in the newsletter to encourage psychologists to self-evaluate their competency and develop an action plan.
- Include information in the newsletter on the opioid crisis, suicide, and other critical matters.
- Poll psychologists about their training needs and periodically offer CEs on the common areas.
- Clarify the difference between a practice oriented program and a non-practice oriented program
- Require that a percentage of CEs are related to ones area of practice.

### **D. Committee Reports**

*Licensing* – The committee continues to review psychologist and registered psychology associates applications. The mobility application will soon be available. The other committees had nothing to report.

### **E. Public Comments**

No Public Comment.

### **F. Administrative Session/Adjournment**

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously carried to enter into closed session to discuss disciplinary matters and to consult with Counsel. The open meeting was closed at 9:47 a.m. unless recused those attending the open session remained for the Administrative session.