# State Board of Psychology June 16, 2025

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## BOARD MEMBERS:

Donald McAleer, Psy.D., Chair
Matthew Eaton, Deputy Commissioner, on behalf of
Arion Claggett, Acting Commissioner, Bureau of
Professional and Occupational Affairs
David Zehrung, Ph.D., Secretary
Steven K. Erickson, JD, Ph.D., LLM - Absent
Katherine Bradley, Ph.D.
Daniel Warner, Ph.D.

## BUREAU PERSONNEL:

Ronald K. Rouse, Esquire, Board Counsel
Judith Pachter Schulder, Esquire, Board Counsel
Michael Merten, Esquire, Board Counsel
Todd P. Kriner, Esquire, Senior Board Prosecutor
Anthony Hong, Board Administrator
Adrienne Rachelle McClendon, Esquire, Board
Prosecutor
Jason T. Anderson, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
Berk V. Demiral, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
Patrick Greene, Esquire, Board Prosecutor

CJ Restemayer, Esquire, Prosecutor, Pennsylvania Governor's Office of General Counsel Carlton Smith, Esquire, Deputy Chief Counsel, Prosecution Division

Holly Hoffman, Law Clerk, Department of State Deena Parmelee, Legal Office Administrator, Department of State

Brooke Jones, Legal Extern, Department of State Andrew LaFratte, MPA, Deputy Policy Director, Department of State

Taylor Koch, Fiscal Management Specialist 3, Bureau Of Finance and Procurement, Department of State Jennifer Jumper, Fiscal Management Specialist 2, Bureau of Finance and Procurement, Department of State

### ALSO PRESENT:

Rachael Baturin, MHP, JD, Pennsylvania Psychological Association
Molly Cowan, Psy.D., Director of Professional

Affairs, Pennsylvania Psychological Association

## State Board of Psychology June 16, 2025 3 4 5 6 ALSO PRESENT: (cont.) Nicole Maloney, Division Chief, Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs, Health Licensing Division Wesley J. Rish, Esquire, Rish Law Office, LLC. Hallam McCarthy Call-In 1-443-691-9441 Erin Badstuebner, Sargent's Court Reporting Service, Inc.

4 \* \* \* 1 2 State Board of Psychology 3 June 16, 2025 \* \* \* 4 5 [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act, 6 at 9:30 a.m. the Board entered into Executive Session 7 with Ronald Rouse, Esquire, Board Counsel, for the purpose of conducting quasi-judicial deliberations on a number of matters that are currently pending before 10 the Board and to receive the advice of counsel.] \* \* \* 11 12 [The regularly scheduled meeting of the State Board 13 of Psychology was held on Monday, June 16, 2025. 14 Donald McAleer, Psy.D., Chair, called the meeting to 15 order at 10:35 a.m.] 16 17 [Ronald Rouse, Esquire, Board Counsel, noted the 18 meeting was being held in a hybrid format both in 19 person and via live stream teleconference. 20 Mr. Rouse also noted the meeting was being 21 recorded, and voluntary participation constituted 22 consent to be recorded.] 23 24 [Donald McAleer, Psy.D., Chair, requested an

introduction of Board members. A quorum of Board

6 1 Bradley, aye; Warner, aye. 2 [The motion carried unanimously.] 3 4 Approval of Minutes - April 14, 2025 5 CHAIR MCALEER: 6 We need an approval of the minutes. 7 first of all, we'll need a motion to open that up so that we could discuss 9 it. 10 DR. WARNER: 11 So moved. CHAIR MCALEER: 12 13 Second to open the minutes for discussion? 14 15 DR. BRADLEY: 16 Dr. Bradley, second. 17 CHAIR MCALEER: 18 I reviewed the minutes and I noticed 19 just one small typo which I think is great. The minutes listed Paul 20 Kettlewell as an MD and he is a PhD. 21 22 Any other discussion about the 23 minutes? Hearing none, may we have a 24 vote to accept the minutes as amended? 25

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                  McAleer, aye; Eaton, abstain; Zehrung,
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                  aye; Bradley, aye; Warner, aye.
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   [The motion carried. Mr. Eaton abstained from voting
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   on the motion.]
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   Report of the Board Prosecution
   [Jason T. Anderson, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
  presented Item No. 2 on the Agenda, Consent Agreement
   and Order, Case No. 19-63-010290.]
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  MR. ROUSE:
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                  Regarding the Consent Agreement at Item
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                  No. 2 on the Agenda, which is Case No.
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                  19-63-010290, after discussion in
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                  Executive Session, I believe the Chair
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                  would entertain a motion to adopt the
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                  Consent Agreement.
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   DR. ZEHRUNG:
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                  Zehrung, so moved.
   CHAIR MCALEER:
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                  And a second please?
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   DR. BRADLEY:
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                  Dr. Bradley, I'll second.
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   MR. HONG:
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                  May we have the roll call?
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                  McAleer, aye; Eaton, aye; Zehrung, aye;
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                  Bradley, aye; Warner, aye.
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   [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's
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   name for Case No. 19-63-010290 is Barry Zakireh.]
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   Report of Board Counsel- Proposed Adjudication and
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   Order
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   MR. ROUSE:
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                  Regarding this proposed Adjudication,
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                  Item No. 3 on the Agenda, I believe the
                  Chair would entertain a motion to
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                  direct Board Counsel to prepare a final
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                  Adjudication and Order consistent with
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                  the discussion in Executive Session.
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   CHAIR MCALEER:
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                  Do I have a motion please?
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   DR. BRADLEY:
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                  Dr. Bradley, moved.
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   DR. ZEHRUNG:
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                  Zehrung, second.
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   CHAIR MCALEER:
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                  Roll call please.
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                  McAleer, aye; Eaton, aye; Zehrung, aye;
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                  Bradley, aye; Warner, aye.
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   [The motion carried unanimously. The Applicant for
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   Case No. 24-63-012590 is Jasmin S. Rolling, PsyD.
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   Report of Board Counsel - Request for Reconsideration
   MR. ROUSE:
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                  After discussion in Executive Session
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                  for Item No. 4, I believe the Chair
                  would entertain a motion to grant the
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                  Request for Reconsideration and to
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                  grant a provisional license to practice
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                  psychology.
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   DR. ZEHRUNG:
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                  Zehrung, so moved.
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   DR. BRADLEY:
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                  Dr. Bradley, second.
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                  McAleer, aye; Eaton, aye; Zehrung, aye;
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                  Bradley, aye; Warner, aye.
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   [The motion carried unanimously. The Applicant for
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   Case No. 25-63-006007 is Dr. Ivan Javier Vasquez-
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   Torres.]
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  Report of Regulatory Counsel
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   [Ronald K. Rouse, Esquire, Board Counsel, reviewed the
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  Status of Regulations 2025. Regulation 16A-6317
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- 1 continuing education is a proposed rulemaking approved
- 2 by the Office of Attorney General on May 1, 2025. The
- 3 proposed rulemaking was published on May 31, 2025, and
- 4 the public comment period will end June 30, 2025.
- 5 After the public comment period, IRRC will have an
- 6 opportunity to make comments.
- 7 Mr. Rouse stated Board Counsel and Regulatory
- 8 Counsel are to update Regulation 16A-6324 Code of
- 9 Ethics.
- 10 Regulation 16A-6323 is a proposed rulemaking for
- 11 Volunteer License. Regulatory Counsel is drafting and
- 12 updating the Regulation.
- 13 Regulation 16A-6327 on accreditation is in final
- 14 rulemaking. The final rulemaking was delivered on
- 15 April 23, 2025, and is scheduled for consideration at
- 16 the June 26, 2025 IRRC meeting.]
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- 18 [Ronald K. Rouse, Esquire, Board Counsel, discussed
- 19 Regulation 16A-6320, general revisions. Due to a
- 20 discussion in the last Board meeting, there were
- 21 amendments made that the Board requested.
- 22 Mr. Rouse stated, in the Annex on page five
- 23 Section 41.30; Qualification and Documentation
- 24 Necessary for Licensure; the change would read that
- 25 "In the case of applicants who completed their

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supervised experience after completing the pre-
  doctoral internship: In an electronic communication
  submitted directly to the Board and signed by the
  primary supervisors, a verification of supervised
  experience form; biannual evaluations/progress
  reports, which include objectives, prepared during the
  course of supervision; and a letter describing the
  supervisory interactions and the supervisor's
  endorsement of the applicant's potential as a
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  psychologist."
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       Mr. Rouse stated the next change was page five,
  paragraph (1a) where it would now read "In the case of
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  applicants who began their doctoral program on or
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  after the fall semester of 2015: In an electronic
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  communication submitted directly to the Board and
  signed by the director of clinical training, a
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  verification statement from the clinical director of
  training at an APA accredited doctoral program that
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  the applicant has completed at least 12 months and at
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  least 1750 hours of practicum experience.
  applicant who has not completed at least 12 months and
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  at least 1750 hours of practicum experience will be
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  required to complete additional supervised experience
  prior to the issuance of a license."
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       Mr. Rouse stated the next change was on page 10
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- 1 and a change in terms of editing where it is "full-2 time" and at "least".
- Mr. Rouse stated the final annex change was on page 13 where instead of quarterly reports it would say "every six months or biannual."
- Mr. Rouse moved on to the changes proposed for the preamble of Regulation 16A-6320. He stated
- 8 Paragraph one would be amended to "require primary
- 9 supervisors to submit verification forms,
- 10 evaluations/progress reports, and letters directly to
- 11 the Board through electronic communication.
- 12 Currently, the regulations require that primary
- 13 supervisors submit quarterly evaluations/progress
- 14 reports. Since all other states require
- 15 evaluations/progress reports that occur every six
- 16 months, the Board proposes to amend the regulations to
- 17 require biannual evaluations/progress reports."
- Mr. Rouse added that paragraph one would further
- 19 read, "In the case of applicants who completed their
- 20 supervised experience after completing the predoctoral
- 21 internship: In an electronic communication submitted
- 22 directly to the Board and signed by the primary
- 23 supervisors, a verification of supervised experience
- 24 form; biannual evaluations/progress reports, which
- 25 include objectives, prepared during the course of

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supervision; and a letter describing the supervisory
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  interactions and the supervisor's endorsement of the
  applicant's potential as a psychologist."
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        Mr. Rouse continued to state that further on it
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  would also read that "the clinical director's
  verification statement must be submitted directly to
  the Board through electronic communication."]
  MR. ROUSE:
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                  Were there any other discussions in
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                  terms of the annex? If not, would the
                  Chair entertain a motion to release the
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                  Annex for Regulation 16A-6320 as an
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                  exposure draft?
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   DR. ZEHRUNG:
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                  So moved.
   CHAIR MCALEER:
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                  May I have a second please?
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   DR. BRADLEY:
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                  Dr. Bradley, I'll second.
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                  McAleer, aye; Eaton, aye; Zehrung, aye;
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                  Bradley, aye; Warner, aye.
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   [The motion carried unanimously.]
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   Report of the Board Chairperson
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   [Donald McAleer, Psy.D., Chair, stated Dr. Zehrung
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   and he would be presenting at the Pennsylvania
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   Psychological Association meeting.]
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   Report of Acting Commissioner - No Report
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   Report of Board Administrator
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   CHAIR MCALEER:
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                  I guess the Chair would entertain a
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                  motion to permit Dr. King to sit for
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                  the Pennsylvania Psychology Law
                  Examination.
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   DR. ZEHRUNG:
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                  Zehrung, so moved.
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   DR. BRADLEY:
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                  Dr. Bradley, I'll second.
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                  McAleer, aye; Eaton, aye; Zehrung, aye;
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                  Bradley, aye; Warner, aye.
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   [The motion carried unanimously for item 7 on the
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   agenda; Dr. Veronica King's application for approval
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   to sit for the psychology licensing examination.]
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   [Mr. Rouse stated Agenda Item No. 8, No. 12, No. 13
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   and No. 14 would be discussed when the Board
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15 reentered Executive Session.] 1 2 3 Report of Board Members - No Report 4 5 Discussion Items - Selection of Vice Chair [Donald McAleer, Psy.D., Chair, noted the Board 6 7 needed to elect a Vice Chair as the public member who was serving as Vice Chair resigned from the Board. Dr. Zehrung stated he would be interested in the 10 position and Dr. Warner did not have any interest in 11 the position.] DR. WARNER: 12 13 I wish Dave to the be the Vice Chair. 14 MR. ROUSE: 15 So am I to take that as a nomination 16 from Dan Warner? DR. WARNER: 17 18 Yes, for David Zehrung. MR. ROUSE: 19 20 Is there a second? 21 DR. BRADLEY: 22 I'll second, Dr. Bradley. 23 MR. ROUSE: 24 So let's vote for the nomination. 25

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                  McAleer, aye; Eaton, aye; Zehrung,
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                  abstain, Bradley, aye; Warner, aye.
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   [The motion carried. Dr. Zehrung abstained from
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   voting on the motion.]
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   MR. ROUSE:
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                  Is there a motion to elect Dr. Zehrung
                  as Vice Chair of the State Board of
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                  Psychology?
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   CHAIR MCALEER:
                  The chair can't make a motion.
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   DR. BRADLEY:
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                  Dr. Bradley, I'll motion.
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   DR. WARNER:
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                  Dan Warner, I'll second.
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                  McAleer, aye; Eaton, aye; Zehrung,
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                  abstain; Bradley, aye; Warner, aye.
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   [The motion carried. Dr. Zehrung abstained from
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   voting on the motion. The question was posed about
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   the now open position of Secretary. The decision was
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   made to vote on the new Secretary at the next
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   meeting.]
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   Report of Board Members - EPPP Accommodations
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2 [Donald McAleer, Psy.D., Chair, presented Agenda Item

3 No. 10, the EPPP (Examination for Professional

4 | Practice in Psychology) Accommodations Proposal.

5 | Chair McAleer stated the Board gets frequent requests

6 | for exceptions due to medical issues especially

7 pregnancy. He spoke with the administrators of the

8 | EPPP and found that there were standard exceptions

9 that they allowed for pregnancy. Chair McAleer

10 suggested that the Board adopt a standard EPPP

11 accommodation based on pregnancy that would be

12 granted without the need for Board approval each time

13 unless additional accommodations were needed which

14 require medical documentation.

The accommodations would include one hour of extra time, frequent and extended breaks, and access to a locker. There was discussion on clarifying the parameters of the accommodation. The primary concern was if the clock would continue to run during breaks given the extended extra time of one hour. It was decided that the clock would continue to run as the one hour would be accommodating the longer or more frequent breaks.]

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VICE CHAIR ZEHRUNG ASSUMED THE CHAIR

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#### 2 CHAIR MCALEER:

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3 So the motion would be that the Board adopts as a standard accommodation for those requesting accommodations for the PPLE and the EPPP for administrative approval; one additional hour to take the exam, increased frequent breaks with the clock running and access to a 10 locker. In addition, if any additional 11 accommodations are requested based on 12 the pregnancy, that will require 13 documentation from the healthcare team.

#### 14 DR. BRADLEY:

15 Very good. It's very helpful to know 16 that this is their standard allowance 17 too.

#### 18 CHAIR MCALEER:

19 So, did you move that?

#### 20 DR. BRADLEY:

21 Yes, I will do that unless someone else 22 wants to be on record.

#### 23 MR. ROUSE:

24 Is there a second?

#### 25 CHAIR MCALEER:

19 1 I'll second. McAleer, second, which I 2 can do. 3 4 McAleer, aye; Eaton, aye; Zehrung, aye; 5 Bradley, aye; Warner, aye. 6 [The motion carried unanimously. It was noted for 7 the record that Vice Chair Zehrung was Chair for the 8 motion. 1 9 10 CHAIR MCALEER RESUMED THE CHAIR \* \* \* 11 12 Report of Board Members - ASPPB's 65th Annual Meeting-13 October 22-26, 2025, St. Louis, Missouri 14 [Donald McAleer, Psy.D., Chair, discussed the 15 proposal to send two Board members to the annual 16 ASPPB's meeting in October.] CHAIR MCALEER: 17 18 The next issue is ASPPB's annual 19 meeting in October. I would like to 20 hear a motion that the Board send two 21 members to that annual meeting. 22 DR. ZEHRUNG: 23 So moved, Zehrung. 24 DR. BRADLEY: 25 Dr. Bradley, I'll second.

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McAleer, aye; Eaton, aye; Zehrung, aye;

Bradley, aye; Warner, aye.

4 [The motion carried unanimously. Chair McAleer noted that the meetings with ASPPB are extremely helpful and to not just Board members but also

6 and to not just Board members but also

7 administrators. He encouraged all to attend.]

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9 Old Business - No Report

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11 New Business

12 [Anthony Hong, Board Administrator, voiced his

13 pleasure working with the Board since September;

14 however, he accepted a role with the Department of

15 Revenue. He thanked everyone and stated he had truly

16 enjoyed working with the Board, the psychologists and

17 everyone at the BPOA. The Board members

18 | congratulated him.]

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20 Upcoming Meeting Dates

21 | [Donald McAleer, Psy.D., Chair, stated that the

22 upcoming meeting dates are August 18, 2025; October

23 20, 2025; December 15, 2025; February 16, 2026; April

24 | 13, 2026; June 15, 2026; August 17, 2026; October 19,

25 2026; and December 21, 2026.]

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2 | [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act,

3 at 11:17 a.m., the Board entered into Executive

4 | Session with Ronald K. Rouse, Esquire, Board Counsel,

5 for the purpose of conducting quasi-judicial

6 deliberations and to receive the advice of Board

7 Counsel. The Board returned to open session at 11:42

8 a.m.]

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10 | [Daniel Warner, Ph.D. exited the meeting at 11:42

11 a.m. There is still a quorum.]

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13 MR. ROUSE:

14 Regarding the application of Lisa

Nyabinghi, Item No. 8 on the Agenda, I

16 believe the Chair would entertain a

17 motion to provisionally deny the

application to sit for the psychology

19 licensing examinations of Lisa

Nyabinghi at Item No. 8 on the Agenda.

21 CHAIR MCALEER:

22 | Can I have a motion please?

23 DR. ZEHRUNG:

Zehrung, so moved.

25 DR. BRADLEY:

22 1 Dr. Bradley, second. 2 CHAIR MCALEER: 3 May we have the roll call please? 4 5 McAleer, aye; Eaton, aye; Zehrung, aye; 6 Bradley, aye. 7 [The motion carried unanimously.] \* \* \* 8 9 MR. ROUSE: 10 We're going to Correspondence now. Item 11 No. 12, Rebecca Luna. This is a PPLE waiver request, and I believe the Chair 12 13 would entertain a motion to 14 provisionally deny the PPLE waiver 15 request of Rebecca Luna at Item No. 12 16 on the Agenda. 17 DR. ZEHRUNG: 18 Zehrung, so moved. DR. BRADLEY: 19 20 Dr. Bradley, second. 21 CHAIR MCALEER: 22 Another roll please. 23 24 McAleer, aye; Eaton, aye; Zehrung, aye; 25 Bradley, aye.

23 1 [The motion carried unanimously.] 2 3 MR. ROUSE: 4 Going to Item No. 13 on the Agenda, 5 Heather Barron, I believe the Chair would entertain a motion to 6 7 provisionally deny the PPLE examination 8 waiver request of Heather Barron at 9 Item No. 13 on the Agenda. 10 DR. ZEHRUNG: 11 Zehrung, so moved. DR. BRADLEY: 12 13 Dr. Bradley, second. 14 CHAIR MCALEER: 15 Roll call. 16 17 McAleer, aye; Eaton, aye; Zehrung, aye; 18 Bradley, aye. 19 [The motion carried unanimously.] \* \* \* 20 21 MR. ROUSE: 22 And lastly, Item No. 14, which is 23 application number AA0002857808. I 24 believe the Chair would entertain a 25 motion to grant the EPPP accommodation

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                  request for application No.
                  AA0002857808.
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   DR. ZEHRUNG:
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                  So moved.
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   DR. BRADLEY:
                  Dr. Bradley, second.
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   CHAIR MCALEER:
                  Roll, please.
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                  McAleer, aye; Eaton; aye; Zehrung, aye;
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                  Bradley, aye.
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   [The motion carried unanimously.]
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   Adjournment
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   CHAIR MCALEER:
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                  And I believe with the finishing of
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                  that, the business of this Board is
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                  concluded for today. May I have a
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                  motion to adjourn?
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   DR. ZEHRUNG:
                  So moved.
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   CHAIR MCALEER:
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                  We don't need a second, so thank you
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                  very much. See y'all. Thank you
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                  everyone.
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[There being no further business, the State Board of Psychology Meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m.] CERTIFICATE I hereby certify that the foregoing summary minutes of the State Board of Psychology meeting, was reduced to writing by me or under my supervision, and that the minutes accurately summarize the substance of the State Board of Psychology meeting. Erin Badstuebner, Minute Clerk Sargent's Court Reporting Service, Inc. 

# STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY REFERENCE INDEX

June 16, 2025

TIME	AGENDA
9:30 10:35	Executive Session Return to Open Session
10:37	Official Call to Order
10:37	Roll Call
10:40	Approval of Minutes
10:41	Report of Board Prosecution
10:45	Report of Board Counsel
10:47	Report of Regulatory Counsel
10:57	Report of Board Chairperson
10:58	Report of Board Administrator
11:00	Discussion Items
11:15	New Business
11:17	Return to Executive Session
11:42	Return to Open Session
11:42	Correspondence
11:47	Adjournment