

**IOWA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY**  
**Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa**  
**Origination Site: Professional Licensure Conference Room 526**  
**Open Session Meeting Minutes**  
**August 6, 2021**

Due to COVID-19 concerns, this meeting was held electronically. Board members and interested members of the public were invited to participate in this meeting by video or telephone. This electronic meeting of the Iowa Board of Psychology was held in accordance with Iowa Code section 21.8. The Code states that a governmental body may conduct a meeting by electronic means only if circumstances are such that meeting in person is impossible or impractical and access is provided to the public. Access to this meeting was provided by electronic means as described and the agenda was posted on the website.

**Chairperson – Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. by Matt Cooper, Vice Chairperson.

**Roll Call (via telephone)**

Members Present:

Lisa Streyffeler, Ph.D.

Matthew Cooper, Psy.D.

Ruth Kunkle, public member

Laura Fuller, Ph.D

Lora Keipper, Psy.D.

Justin Rhode, Public Member

Matthew Cooper, Psy.D.

**Members Absent**

None

**Staff Present**

Steve Garrison, Bureau Chief

Sharon Dozier, Board Executive

Ana Dixit, Assistant Attorney General

Beth Jorgenson, Discipline Coordinator

Vicky Winter-Clearman, Assistant to Board Administration

**Public Attendees**

Paul Ascheman, IPA

**Introductions**

Were made by the Board, staff and guests present.

**Election of Officers**

Chair

Streyffeler moved the nomination of Cooper as Board Chair. A second was received by Kunkle. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

### **Vice Chair**

Kunkle moved the nomination of Streyffeler as Board Vice Chair. A second was received by Rhode. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

### **Approval of Open Session Minutes**

April 30, 2021

Kunkle moved the Board approve the open session meeting minutes of April 30, 2021 as presented. A second was received by Rhode. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

### **Reports**

#### **Sharon Dozier, Board Executive**

#### **ASPPB Information, Rules Status**

Dozier noted the August 18, 2021 effective date of administrative rules adopted to implement House File 2627.

Dozier reported on the proposed Part 2 EPPP examination and the ASPPB survey. Several states are participating as “Early Adopters” of the Part 2 exam. Board consensus is for inclusion of the agenda topic for discussion at the next board meeting.

Discussion followed regarding the expense of the second examination and the medical profession, which recently moved away from a second simulated clinical examination as a measure of professional competency.

Paul Ascherman was recognized. He spoke of the internship requirement, which serves as a “gateway” to measure professional competency.

In response to Fuller’s inquiry Dozier noted the Board might want to review information posted by the ASPPB to evaluate the objectives of the Part 2 examination.

Dozier also reported that ASPPB has invited participation from this board at the ASPPB Board of Directors meeting on August 27, 2021. ASPPB will provide additional information and interested members may contact her for more details. Streyffeler and Cooper are interested in attending.

#### **Board Chair Report**

There was no report made.

Other Reports – Board members

There was no report made.

#### **Bureau Chief, Steven Garrison**

Bureau Chief Garrison noted approximately half of Bureau staff continue to work remotely.

Cooper inquired as to mandates for an in person meeting in November. Garrison stated the online option will be provided and a mask mandate may be imposed. A hybrid option will likely be available with screens provided.

### **Requests**

Proposal to add multicultural competency to the continuing education requirements for licensure, submitted by Joyce Goins-Fernandez, Ph.D.

Dozier note the request has been retracted by the requestor.

### **New Business**

- a. Agenda items for next board meeting  
EPPP examination

In response to Cooper's inquiry, Dozier noted the newest members of the Board participated in the legal overview for Board members provided by AAG Steffensmeier.

### **Administrative Rules**

For adoption: ARC 5617C, adopt new Chapter 243, "Practice of Psychology," to amend Chapters 240 "Licensure of Psychologists," and 244, "Prescribing Psychologists." Establishes standards of practice for telepsychology and other practice requirements; provides a technical correction in the offsite supervision requirements for a license; and removes the term variance from the joint waiver provision of the Board of Medicine for prescribing psychologists.

Dozier commended Paul Ascheman for his participation in the committee meetings to develop the proposed rules. She said there was no public comment received on the proposed administrative rules. Dozier stated in effective date will be October 13, 2021.

Paul Ascheman thanked the Board for the opportunity to assist with the constructing of the proposed administrative rules. He noted that the terms of the Psypact would impact on the practice rules in the event the proposed law change to enact Psypact is passed. The Iowa Psychological Association has opposed the adoption of the Psypact for the past two years.

Cooper moved the Board adopt ARC 5617C, to adopt new Chapter 243, "Practice of Psychology;" and to amend Chapters 240 "Licensure of Psychologists," and 244, "Prescribing Psychologists." A second was received by Fuller. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

### **Public Comment**

Paul Ascheman thanked the Board's professional staff for their responsiveness during the pandemic. He extended an invitation to the IPA Board of Directors meeting. He offered his assistance to the Board regarding the EPPP Part 2, Psypact, and related issues. Ascheman said the requested inclusion of multicultural continuing education as a mandated topic was voted down by the IPA membership as the profession currently has an ethical requirement related to cultural sensitivity and personal dignity.

The Board recessed at 10:27 a.m. and reconvened at 10:33 a.m.

**Closed Session**

A motion was made by Kunkle to enter into closed session at 10: 35 a.m. to discuss whether to initiate licensee disciplinary investigations or proceedings as allowed under Iowa Code section 21.5(1)d and to discuss records that are required to be kept confidential as allowed under Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(a). A second was received from Rhode. Roll call was taken:

- Cooper-Aye
- Streyffeler – Aye
- Fuller – Aye
- Keipper-Aye
- Kunkle-Aye
- Rhode- Aye
- Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at 11:53 a.m.

**Open Session to vote on items discussed in closed session**

Fuller moved the Board approve the closed session meeting minutes of April 30, 2021 as presented. A second was received by Rhode. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Rhode moved the Board close 21-0045, 21-0112 and 21-0170. A second was received by Kunkle. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

**Future Board Meeting**

November 5, 2021

The 2022 meeting dates will be posted on the Board’s webpage.

**Adjournment**

The Board adjourned unanimously at 11:59 a.m. on a motion by Fuller and a second by Keipper.

The minutes were approved at the November 5, 2021 board meeting.