



Tennessee Board of Psychological Examiners Emergency Meeting

Wednesday, August 23, 2023

MINUTES

The purpose of this meeting is to review and approve drafted emergency rules, and to ratify new licenses, reinstatement of licenses, and to ratify orders received after the Board's last meeting. Because the Legislature has given this Board explicit emergency rulemaking authority to promulgate rules for additional applicants, to whom the Board must begin offering licenses or certificates by January 1, 2024, this emergency meeting is necessary.

Board members present: Mark Fleming, PhD, Board President
Timothy Arentsen, PhD
Amy Nicholson
John Tyler Overstreet
Alicia Victory, PhD
Susan Douglas, PhD
Deborah Carter, PhD
Amanda Spiess, Ex-officio Member

Board member(s) absent: Jennifer Winfree, Consumer Member
Neelam Jain

Staff present: Candyce Wilson, Board Director
Elta Breen, JD, General Counsel
Dale Hill, Board Administrator

Ms. Candyce Wilson made opening remarks to the Board and provided an overview of the requirements for a special meeting by teleconference. All of the requirements were satisfied. The electronic meeting was scheduled for the purpose to review and approve drafted emergency rules, and to ratify new licenses, reinstatement of licenses, and to ratify orders received after the Board's last meeting. The Board motioned and voted on approval to conduct the meeting for this purpose. The teleconference was then turned over to the chair of the Board, Dr. Mark Fleming.

Dr. Fleming called the meeting to order. A role call was conducted and a quorum of the Board was established with the following members present: Dr. Mark Fleming, Ms. Amy Nicholson, Dr. Alicia Victory, Dr. Timothy Arentsen, Mr. J. Tyler Overstreet, Ms. Amanda Spiess and Dr. Deborah Carter.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER EMERGENCY RULES PURSUANT TO PC173 AND PC442 FROM THE 2023 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The Board led a lengthy discussion while reviewing the draft rules effected by PC173. Dr. Victory motioned to approve these rules. Dr. Arentsen seconded the motion, and it passed by roll call vote.

The Board led a lengthy discussion while reviewing the draft rules effected by PC442. Dr. Arentsen motioned to approve these rules. Mr. Overstreet seconded the motion, and it passed by roll call vote.

Disciplinary Order(s)

Consent Order(s)

Jennifer Parrish (license #127) – Ms. Breen presented the signed consent order for Ms. Parrish which was ratified by the Behavior Analyst Committee on August 21, 2023. There was a motion to approve the consent order, which was seconded and passed by a roll call vote.

RATIFICATION OF NEW LICENSEES

The Board reviewed the newly licensed and reinstated psychologist and psychological assistant licensees since the last Board meeting. Dr. Victory motioned to ratify all names on the list. Dr. Arentsen seconded the motion and it passed by roll call vote.

The Board reviewed the newly licensed and reinstated behavior analyst licensees since the last Board meeting. Dr. Arentsen motioned to ratify all names on the list. Dr. Victory seconded the motion, and it passed by roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

The emergency meeting adjourned.