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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

Board of Psychology  
05/15/2026

**1. ROLL CALL**

The meeting of the Board of Psychology was called to order by Stacy Waldron, Chair, at 10:00 a.m. in the Morrill Room, Nebraska State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, NE. In accordance with §84-1411 of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, copies of the agenda were 1) emailed to the Board members and other interested parties, 2) posted on the DHHS web site at <https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Agendas-and-Minutes.aspx>, and 3) posted on the bulletin board in the Nebraska State Office Building Lobby on 05/01/2026.

The following members answered roll call:

**Members Present:**

Stacy Waldron, Chair  
Thomas Cardwell, Secretary  
Deborah Hoffnung  
Tomeka Johnson  
Jennifer Dreibelbis

**Members Absent:** (if applicable)

Kate Linder, Vice Chair

**Staff and Others Present:**

Maiya Baumann, Program Manager, Licensure Unit  
Jessica Dean, Health Licensing Coordinator, Licensure Unit  
Milissa Johnson Wiles, Assistant Attorney General  
Marley Sandberg, DHHS Legal  
Randy Clark, DHHS Investigator  
Trevor Klaussen, DHHS Investigator  
Hayle Alvarado, DHHS Investigator

A quorum was present, and the meeting convened.

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Cardwell moved, seconded by Dreibelbis, to adopt the agenda for the meeting. Voting Yes: Cardwell, Dreibelbis, Hoffnung, Johnson, and Waldron. Absent: Linder. Motion carried.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 20, 2026**

**MOTION:** Hoffnung moved, seconded by Cardwell, to approve the minutes for the meeting held on March 20, 2026. Voting yes: Cardwell, Dreibelbis, Hoffnung, Johnson, and Waldron. Absent: Linder. Motion carried.

#### **4. CLOSED SESSION (INVESTIGATION REPORTS AND APPLICATION REVIEW)**

##### **MOTION:**

Cardwell moved, seconded by Hoffnung, to enter closed session at 10:10 a.m. for the purpose of reviewing and discussing investigative reports, licensure applications, and other confidential information, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputations of the individuals involved. Voting yes: Cardwell, Dreibelbis, Hoffnung, Johnson, and Waldron. Absent: Linder. Motion carried.

Break at 10:57 a.m.

Back at 11:05 a.m.

Returned to Open Session at 11:40

#### **5. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

#### **6. UPDATES**

##### a. Legislation

Baumann stated that legislation session had concluded. Baumann said that LB 860, relating to Medicaid waiver behavioral health services for individuals under 21 years of age, has been indefinitely postponed. LB 961, which establishes the Collateral Sanction Relief Act, has been indefinitely postponed. LB 1040, relating to civil commitments for mentally ill and dangerous persons, has been indefinitely postponed, as well as LB 27, relating to loan repayments for health professionals under the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act.

- Court Cases

Sandberg discussed the U.S. Supreme Court case of Chiles v. Salazar. Sandberg discussed that psychology, among other talk-based professions, would have a focus on scope of practice to ensure that professions affected remain in that scope of practice and standard of care. She noted that this shouldn't affect the ability to discipline.

##### b. Association Updates

- Association of State Provincial Psychology Boards <https://www.asppb.org>

Waldron said that the Nebraska delegate, Kate Linder, would be covered by ASPPB for hotel and flight costs. Any additional attendees would need to be approved for payment. Baumann reminded board members to submit documentation for reimbursement of travel expenses at least 60 days in advance of the travel. Waldron said that the meeting will be held in Reno,

October 14-18, and would cover topics such as the integrated EPPP exam.

**MOTION:** Dreibelbis motioned, seconded by Hoffnung, to approve funds for Tom Cardwell to attend the ASPPB Annual meeting in October 2026. A voice vote was taken. Voting yes: Cardwell, Dreibelbis, Hoffnung, Johnson, and Waldron. Absent: Linder. Motion carried.

- PSYPACT <https://www.asppb.net/page/PSYPACT>

There were no updates.

- American Psychological Association <http://apa.org>

Waldron asked about updates on the APA Model Licensing act. Baumann said that she had seen no movement since the last meeting.

- Nebraska Psychological Association <http://www.nebpsych.org>

Waldron said that the NPA held its spring conference on 05/01/2026.

- c. Licensure statistics (attached to agenda)

## **7. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:11 p.m.

Summarized by:  
Maiya Baumann, Licensure Unit