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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY**

July 19, 2024

**1. ROLL CALL and CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Board of Psychology was called to order by the Chair, Stacy Waldron, at 10:02 a.m. in the State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall S, Conference Room Lower Level, Goldenrod Room, Lincoln, Nebraska. In accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-1411 of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, copies of the agenda were e-mailed to the Board members and other interested parties, posted on the DHHS web site at <https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Agendas-and-Minutes.aspx>, and posted in the Licensure Unit on 7.8.2024.

The following members answered the roll call:

**MEMBERS PRESENT (4)**

Stacy Waldron, PhD, Chair  
Rebecca Schroeder, Member  
Tomeka Johnson, Secretary  
Jennifer Dreibelbis, Member

**MEMBERS ABSENT (2)**

Katherine Linder, Member  
Stephanie Bruhn, PhD, Vice-Chair

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Carrie Oldehoeft, DHHS Health Licensing Coordinator, Licensure Unit  
Sean Loving, Program Manager, Licensure Unit  
Jeanne Burke, Assistant Attorney General

A quorum was present and the meeting convened.

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Schroeder moved, seconded by Dreibelbis, to adopt the agenda. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye : Dreibelbis, Johnson, Schroeder, Waldron, (4). Voting nay: None (0). Vacant: One (1) Absent: Bruhn, Linder (2). Motion carried.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** Schroeder moved, seconded by Johnson, to adopt the minutes. . A voice vote was taken. Voting aye : Dreibelbis, Johnson, Schroeder, Waldron, (4). Voting nay: None (0). Vacant: One (1) Absent: Bruhn, Linder (2). Motion carried.

10:05 am Linder entered room

**4. INVESTIGATIVE AND CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – Closed Session**

**MOTION:** Schroeder moved, seconded by Johnson, to enter into closed session at 10:06 a.m. for the purpose of hearing discussions of an investigative/confidential nature and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals. Waldron repeated the motion and purpose. . A voice vote was taken.

Voting aye : Dreibelbis, Johnson, Schroeder, Waldron, Linder (5). Voting nay: None (0). Vacant: One (1)  
Absent: Bruhn (1). Motion carried.

Oldehoeft closed the public phone line and the open meeting sign on the door was moved to closed session

11:02 am Board break

11:09 am Board returned to close session

## **5. OPEN SESSION**

Verbal agreement to return to open session by all board members at 11:09 am

### **Nishma Ramos Gonzalez: Provisional**

**MOTION:** Schroder moved, seconded by Linder, to recommend denial of the application. Based on not meeting the requirements for licensure as a Provisional Psychology License based on regulations. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye : Dreibelbis, Johnson, Schroeder, Waldron, Linder (5). Voting nay: None (0). Vacant: One (1) Absent: Bruhn (1). Motion carried.

**6. Public comment:** Dr. Jonalyn Blaha sent an email to the Department regarding concerns with the EPPP exam changes. The email was read to the board and discussed that this is a topic that is being discussed at the Annual Conference of ASPPB in October. A response was given to Dr Blaha as she joined via Webex to hear information.

**Dr. Waldron read parts of the July letter from ASPPB of Directors no validity, 2019 was collected prior and was self reported and not required.**

**Study Guidance for exam is on the EPPP exam site.**

**Part 2 of the EPPP will be addressed at the National conference in October.**

## **7. Updates/Reports**

- Association Updates/Correspondence
  - Association of State Provincial Psychology Boards <http://www.asppb.org>
    - Waldron updated the board, that the annual meeting is in October 29 to Nov 2 in Dallas, TX
    - January 2026 the EPPP2 will be in effect.
  - PSYPACT <https://www.asppb.net/page/PSYPACT>
    - Waldron updated the board with information, the annual meeting is in November in Washington DC.
    - Oldehoeft updated the board with information from the Mid-Year Webex meeting
  - American Psychological Association <http://www.apa.org>
    - The annual conference is August in Seattle, Washington. Dr Linder and Dr. Waldron will be attending
  - Nebraska Psychological Association <http://www.nebpsych.org>
    - Webinar September 27 on Psychedelic Medication
    - Fall conference November 1 (Hybrid) in Omaha or via Zoom

- Justice Behavioral Health Committee
  - No updates and board recommended removing the committee at this time
- Statistics: Examinations, Licensing, Disciplinary/Non-Disciplinary Information, Renewal (attached to agenda)

## **10. ADJOURNMENT**

Board adjourned at 11:34, the next board meeting is scheduled for September 13.

Submitted,

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Tomeka Johnson Secretary - Board of Psychology

Summarized by the  
Licensure Unit