

**Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board
Master's Level Psychology Advisory Committee Meeting
August 7, 2024**

Approved Minutes

- I. Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order by David Anderson, Chair of the Advisory Committee, at 10:00 a.m.

Master's Level Psychology Advisory Committee Members. Advisory Committee Members who participated by Zoom or phone were David Anderson, Ginger Hill, Rebecca Jabara, Lauren Lucht, Sarah McMillen, Robert Pedroza, Jennifer Schreiner, and Joshua Tanguay. David Stevens, Bruce Johnson, Iris Pauly, and Kari Wold were absent.

BSRB Staff. BSRB staff members who participated by Zoom included David Fye and Leslie Allen.

Guests: Brooke Mann.

- II. Approval of the Agenda.** Lauren Lucht moved to approve the agenda. Joshua Tanguay seconded. The motion passed.
- III. Welcome New Advisory Committee Members.** The Advisory Committee welcomed the following new members Ginger Hill and Sarah McMillen.
- IV. Presentation on Accreditation of Master's Level Psychology Programs by the American Psychological Association (APA), Dr. Brooke Mann, Assistant Professor and Director of Clinical Psychology Graduate Program for Fort Hays State University.** Brooke Mann, Director of the Clinical Psychology graduate program for Fort Hays State University and consultant for APA master's accreditation, provided a presentation regarding accreditation, what the process looks like, and education and licensing requirements. Dr. Mann outlined background information for APA master's accreditation, the accreditation process and timeline, and program requirements. Accrediting master's programs would lead to the expansion of access to mental health care and would help with quality assurance. Dr. Mann also outlined the competencies that APA are requiring be displayed. The requirements on faculty guidelines are different for master's and doctoral programs.
- V. Review and Approval of Minutes from Advisory Committee Meeting on June 12, 2024.** Rebecca Jabara moved to approve the minutes from the Advisory Committee meeting on June 12, 2024. Jennifer Schreiner seconded. The motion passed.
- VI. Executive Director's Report.** David Fye, Executive Director for the BSRB, reported on agency operations, legislative updates, recent Board meetings, and upcoming meetings.

VII. Old Business.

- A. **Continued Review of K.A.R. 102-4-3a Education Regulation for Possible Edits.** Due to time constraints, this item was moved to the next meeting.
- B. **Continued Discussion on APA Accreditation of Master’s Level Psychology Programs.** Due to time constraints, this item was moved to the next meeting.
- C. **Continued Discussion on Possible Survey for Licensees.** The Executive Director for the BSRB provided the Advisory Committee with draft questions for a survey for licensees. The survey included demographic questions, as well as an explanation of the purpose of the survey. Advisory Committee members recommended including questions pertaining to multi-state compact interest, practice-related issues, and familiarity with the LMLP Advisory Committee. Regarding the question asking what percentage of work involves providing direct services to clients, Advisory Committee members recommended a range including “none.” The Advisory Committee expressed support for adding definitions for urban, rural, and frontier areas. The Executive Director for the BSRB will finish edits on the questions, then send out the survey.
- D. **Continued Discussion on Regulation of Artificial Intelligence.** Due to time constraints, this item was moved to the next meeting.
- E. **Continued Discussion on Adding a Description of Each Profession to BSRB Website to Inform Public of the Differences Between the Professions.** Due to time constraints, this item was moved to the next meeting.

VIII. New Business

- A. **Discussion on Texas Proposed Bylaw Amendment for the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB) on the EPPP-2.** ASPPB is the association which created and administers the licensing examination for the psychology profession, the EPPP. ASPPB describes the current EPPP examination as a knowledge-based test, and has developed the EPPP-2 to serve as a skills-based assessment. ASPPB has decided that as of January 1, 2026, any states that wish to use any part of the EPPP for licensing purposes must require applicants to pass both parts, as they have determined the EPPP will be one test, with the EPPP being renamed the “EPPP-Part 1” and the EPPP-2 being renamed the “EPPP-Part 2.” ASPPB recently announced that there could be another option for a single fee and two-day administration of the examination as opposed to having to wait a period of time between taking part 1 and 2. The cost of the EPPP-1 is around \$600, and part 2 is expected to be around \$450. Advisory Committee members expressed concerns about the price for applicants if passage of both parts of the EPPP were required for licensure. The question posed to the Advisory Committee is whether Kansas should support a proposed bylaw amendment by the Texas psychology licensing board, proposing that states have a choice whether to require passage of the EPPP-2. The Advisory Committee Chair expressed that the EPPP-2 has not been subjected to a validation process and is in favor of supporting the Texas bylaw amendment. By consensus, the Advisory Committee

recommended to the Board of the BSRB that Kansas support the proposed bylaw amendment at the ASPPB annual meeting later this year.

- B. Discussion on Possible Recommendations to Board for Legislative Agenda Items.** The Board will be holding their all-day planning meeting at the end of September. The Executive Director for the BSRB asked Advisory Committee members whether there are any other recommendations on possible changes to statutes or regulations should be forwarded to the Board, but no particular change proposals were brought forward.

- IX. Possible Additional Agenda Items.** None.

- X. Next Meeting:** Wednesday, October 2, 2024, at 1pm over Zoom.

- XI. Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned.