



# Psychology Public Meeting Minutes

Psychologists Board  
Oct 6, 2023 at 9:30 AM EDT

## **Attendance**

### **Present:**

Members: Christine Gauthier, James Nicholls, Robert Walrath, Tonya Warren

### **Absent:**

Members: Sheri Friedrich

### **Remote Participation:**

Motion On motion from TW motion seconded by JN to grant CG authorization to attend today's meeting remotely. Reason is wifi is inconsistent and unreliable and the Board member is unable to contribute appropriately without being able to access the documents. While at home she can attend without any issues. roll call vote 4-0-0.

- I. Call To Order at 9:29
- II. Review of Draft Public Minutes of 9/8/23 - Tabled
- III. Public Appearances
  - A. Administrative Rules with Tina at 10:30
    1. 9:30 a.m. Rules Hearing Psyc 301, 303.03, 304  
Hearing Opened: 9:29 a.m. Hearing Closed: 9:47 a.m.  
No public comment
    2. School Psychologists draft rules, amendments were made to the draft.  
Tina will make the suggested changes and bring back to the next meeting.  
  
Because the School Psychologist has to have the license with OPLC and also the DOE certificate, we need to do something to fix the additional fees. Maybe the school psychologist fee could be smaller and or eliminated. Bethany says they could look at this with Gretchen and Lindsay.
    3. As a follow up to the PHP attending the October 6<sup>th</sup> Board meeting the Board will send out a notice regarding PHP and how the licensees have access to this through their NH School Psychologist PHP program. The link will be included in the notice we send. Traci to create and send to MG & BC for approval and amendments.  
  
The Board is asking OPLC and the DOE to meet along with the Board to implement some possible changes to possibly include a statute change to coordinate this business better. Bethany is emailing Lindsay about this

Motion by TW second by JN to have RW represent the Board with the DOE and OPLC conversation, roll call vote 4-0-0.

4. Psych 100-500 rules copy to use.
5. Psyc 302.04, 302.05, 303.02 - Final Proposal draft and Forms for Board review. Tina made changes from the suggestions of Admin Rules attorney's and what amendments were requested by the Board.  
Motion re: Psyc 302.04, 302.05, 303.02 - Final Proposal - Draft  
Motion to accept the Final Proposal as written  
Motion moved by RW and motion seconded by JN Roll call vote 4-0-0.
6. Psyc 303.04 and 303.05 - Temp Forensic License – amendments were made, Tina will bring back to next month.

B. 10:00 NH Professionals Health Program Open House and Presentation

IV. OPLC and/or Board Administration Updates

A. OPLC Notice regarding parking while at Board Meetings – Board Advisement.

V. Old Business

VI. New Business

- A. Dr. Warner Letter requesting guidance with Psypact - The Board cannot provide legal advice to another entity.
- B. NHPA Questions. The Board held a discussion with NHPA to work through the questions. Most of the answers can be found on the Board's website or by calling the Customer Service phone number.

VII. Licensure

A. Karen Blackman, ABPP High Credential Issued 10/03/23

VIII. PLC Administrative Rules & Legislative Topics

A. Plc 100 (Organization) and Plc 200 (Practice and Procedure)

Revisions are being proposed that will affect all Boards and professions, whether directly or indirectly. The proposed rules are posted in the Proposed Rules section of the OPLC laws and rules page.

IX. Non-Public Session

Non-Public session conducted for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business. Such a non-public session

is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c) & (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

Motion moved by TW motion seconded by JN to move into NP session at 11:59 a.m.  
roll call vote 5-0-0

X. Resumed public session at 12:38 p.m.

XI. Seal The Minutes of the Non-Public Session

Minutes of the non-public session are sealed to maintain the privacy of the items discussed in non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c), on the grounds that public disclosure may adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a Board member or render the proposed action ineffective.

Motion to Seal the Non-Public session and minutes moved by TW and motion seconded by JN, roll call vote 4-0-0.

XII. Adjourned at 12:40 p.m.