

**Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists**  
**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**Friday, October 9, 2020**

**FINAL APPROVED: November 20, 2020**

The meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists (Board or LSBEP) was noticed and agenda certified, signed by LSBEP Chairperson Amy Henke, posted, emailed to individuals and the news media who have requested to receive notices of LSBEP meetings, and widely distributed to every known news media outlet that broadcasts or publishes news within Louisiana through the Louisiana Press Association on Wednesday, October 7, 2020. The notice included information on how to join the meeting virtually via Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84112383863?pwd=Y3h6a0RlYmFwcmRDNjJkdjRkIwcmRDdz09>

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Board Chairperson, Dr. Amy Henke, called the video conference meeting to order at 8:03 a.m. on Friday, October 9, 2020.

**Attendance:**

Board Members Present: Dr. Amy Henke, Dr. Gregory Gormanous, Dr. Michelle Moore, Dr. Gina Gibson, Mr. Darren “Chance” McNeely, Dr. Shannae Harness Board Members Absent: 0

Staff Present: Executive Director, Jaime T. Monic;

Guests in Partial Attendance: LPA Representative(s): Dr. Erin Reuther

Dr. Henke read the mission statement as follows, “It is hereby declared that the creation of a state board of examiners of psychologists is necessary in order to safeguard life, health, property, and the public welfare of this state, and in order to protect the people of this state against unauthorized, unqualified, and improper application of psychology.”

Dr. Gormanous requested that his statement of service be recorded into the minutes as follows, “My serving on LSBEP is to ensure that consumers of psychological services are protected against any unqualified, harmful and unauthorized practice, application or use of psychology. My service is as a consumer advocate and educator. My service is not as a market participant.”

Dr. Moore reviewed LSBEP Video Meeting Decorum.

Ms. Monic restated Dr. Henke’s certification that due to COVID19, the Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists was unable to meet in person for quorum requirements and therefore is holding this board meeting online via Zoom.us., and in accordance with Proclamation JBE2020 – 30, Section 4, 38-JBE-2020(J) and 110-JBE-2020 and 111-JBE-2020.

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Ms. Monic noted the date of the August meeting under the item for Review and Approval of Minutes incorrectly listed as “August 23, 2020”, the meeting was actually held on “August 21, 2020”; the Minutes for September 11, 2020 were not prepared for review; and the Financial statements for September 2020 were not prepared for review. Dr. Gormanous moved to approve the agenda with

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noted corrections and deletions. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: In favor: (6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0)

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The Board discussed and amended the draft Minutes of August 21, 2020. Dr. Gormanous moved to approve the minutes of August 21, 2020 as amended. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: In favor: (6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0).

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Dr. Gormanous moved to enter Executive Session pursuant to LSA R.S.42:17.A(2) and (4) to conduct supervision and credential file reviews and discuss committee recommendations from oral examinations. The Board discussed the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: In favor:(6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0)

Dr. Gormanous moved to close Executive Session to enter the Open Meeting and report on Executive Session matters. The Board discussed the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: In favor:(6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0)

### **ORAL EXAMINATION [LSA-R.S. 42.17.A(1)]**

#### 1. Oral Examination Committee License Recommendations:

- **Bradley K. Potts, Ph.D.** appeared for examination via Video Conference on September 18, 2020 before an LSBEP Examining Committee consisting of Drs. Greg Gormanous and Michelle Moore. The Board discussed the results of the examination in executive session. Finding that **Dr. Potts** has met the qualifications for licensure, Dr. Gormanous moved that **Dr. Potts** be granted a license to practice psychology with a declared specialty in Counseling Psychology. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: In favor:(6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0)
- **Sunni Primeaux, Ph.D.** appeared for examination via Video Conference on September 18, 2020 before an LSBEP Examining Committee consisting of Drs. Greg Gormanous and Amy Henke. The Board discussed the results of the examination in executive session. Finding that **Dr. Primeaux** has met the qualifications for licensure, Dr. Moore moved that **Dr. Primeaux** be granted a license to practice psychology with a declared specialty in Clinical Psychology. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: In favor:(6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0)
- **Russell S. Anderson, Ph.D.** appeared for examination via Video Conference on September 25, 2020 before an LSBEP Examining Committee consisting of Drs. Greg Gormanous and Michelle Moore. The Board discussed the results of the examination in executive session. Finding that **Dr. Anderson** has met the qualifications for licensure, Dr. Gormanous moved that **Dr. Anderson** be granted a license to practice psychology with a declared specialty in Counseling Psychology. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: In favor:(6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0)
- **Danielle Cohn, Ph.D.** appeared for examination via Video Conference on October 2, 2020 before an LSBEP Examining Committee consisting of Drs. Greg Gormanous and Gina Gibson. The Board discussed the results of the examination in executive session. Finding that **Dr. Cohn** has met the qualifications for licensure, Dr. Gibson moved that **Dr. Cohn** be granted a license to practice psychology with a declared specialty in Clinical Psychology. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: In favor:(6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0)

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- **Sean Lajaunie, Ph.D. (CO)** appeared for examination via Video Conference on October 2, 2020 before an LSBEP Examining Committee consisting of Drs. Greg Gormanous and Michelle Moore. The Board discussed the results of the examination in executive session. Finding that **Dr. Lajaunie** has met the qualifications for licensure, Dr. Moore moved that **Dr. Lajaunie** be granted a license to practice psychology with a declared specialty in Counseling Psychology. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: In favor:(6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0)

2. Supervision and Credentials Review Committee File Recommendations:

Drs. Henke and Moore reported file reviews. Following discussion with the Board in executive session, Drs. Henke and Moore offered the following recommendations:

- Dr. Moore finding that **Dr. Shawanda Williams-Anderson** has met the requirements for Temporary Registration, recommended that Dr. Williams-Anderson's Application for Temporary Registration be approved. Dr. Gormanous moved to accept the recommendation of Dr. Moore. The Board discussed the motion and recommendation. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: In favor:(6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0)
- Dr. Moore recommended that the candidacy status of **Drs. Carmen Pulido and Jennifer B. Rious** be confirmed, and that the Board invite Drs. Pulido and Rious to complete the Oral Examination required for licensure. Dr. Gormanous moved to accept the recommendation of Dr. Moore. The Board discussed the motion and recommendation. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: In favor:(6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0)
- Dr. Henke recommended that the candidacy status of **Drs. Nicholas Tworek and Sonya Harsha Lydick** be confirmed, and that the Board invite Drs. Tworek and Lydick to complete the Oral Examination required for licensure. Dr. Gormanous moved to accept the recommendation of Dr. Henke. The Board discussed the motion and recommendation. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: In favor:(6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0)

3. Complaints Committee (AH/GGi) - Public Protection:

**a. Hearing in the Matter of Eric Cerwonka, Psy.D., License No. 1020 LSBEP**

**Complaint Number: P16-17-14C (Consolidated with P17-18-11C)** - Dr. Henke reported that the hearing of this matter was conducted as noticed on Thursday, September 24, 2020 beginning at 10:00 a.m.; that the Dr. Cerwonka was noticed on at least four occasions of the hearing date; that Dr. Cerwonka did not appear for the hearing; that the meeting was live streamed to allow for public observation as required under the open meeting laws; that she observed the full hearing live via video conference; that, following hearing, due to the seriousness of the findings which resulted in revocation, a letter was drafted under the guidance of general counsel and mailed to Dr. Eric Cerwonka notifying him of the immediate decision of the Board Members appointed to serve on the hearing panel in this matter, to revoke his license to practice psychology in the state of Louisiana and further providing notice to cease and desist from any and all activities defined as the practice of psychology under La. R.S. 37:2352(7) and to immediately arrange for patient terminations and referrals. The Board discussed this outcome, affirmed the decision in this matter, and affirmed the notice sent under Dr. Henke's signature dated September 25, 2020. Mr. McNeely

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reported that the written order, which will be finalized and approved by the Board Members serving on the hearing panel in this matter, will include the assessment of all fees allowed to be reimbursed to the Board.

## **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

### **1. 2020-21 Budget Review and Approval - Public Protection and Safety, Time sensitive, vital to operations, required to ensure financial solvency.**

- a. The Board reviewed financial statements for July 2020 and August 2020 prepared by Valerie Dominique, CPA. Financial reports for September 2020 were not prepared for review at this meeting. Dr. Gormanous moved to accept the financial statements prepared by Valerie Dominique. The Board discussed the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: In favor:(6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0)
- b. Fee Considerations – The board reviewed the budget with approved fee structure discussed and outlined during the September 11, 2020 meeting which included: increase license renewal fees from \$350 to \$400 and which increase would automatically impact the reduced fee for individuals 65+ from \$175 - \$200 and automatically impact the reinstatement fee from \$550 to \$600; increase the Temporary Registration Application fee from \$125 to \$200; and increase the paper processing fee from \$15 to \$50. Ms. Monic also presented a detailed report as requested to show all items listed in the budgetary category, “Other Operating (Variable)” which includes bank interest/fees, miscellaneous costs of investigations like subpoenas, board meeting security, credit card processing fees, association dues (ASPPB, FARB, CLEAR), furniture and equipment purchases, board election, board photos, secure document destruction, postage, postage machine lease, stationary, office supplies, computer software. The Board also discussed revenue development including a continuing education training program in the area of ethics and law related to the practice of psychology to be developed and offered by the board; and potentially a process to review and pre-approve continuing education activities.
- c. Employee/Contract Restructuring – Ms. Monic updated the Board on the progress of seeking an exemption from classified service for legal counsel for the Board explaining that we were not included on their October agenda, but Civil Service was still working with her on restructuring staff, to be added to their November agenda.
- d. **Contract Amendment – CHEHARDY, SHERMAN, WILLIAMS, MURRAY, RECILE, STAKELUM & HAYES, LLP** – Ms. Monic reported that the funds for this contract were depleted and an amendment was required in order to continue utilizing Ms. Newton’s services through the 9 months remaining in this fiscal year. Ms. Monic affirmed the funds available for a contract amendment of \$30K. The Board discussed the need for an amendment for legal services. Dr. Gormanous moved in favor of amending the contract for CHEHARDY, SHERMAN, WILLIAMS, MURRAY, RECILE, STAKELUM & HAYES, LLP to increase the total amount of the contract by \$30K for the remaining term of the contract. Following discussion, Dr. Gormanous offered the following Motion and Resolution and moved for its adoption:

*WHEREAS the Board is authorized under R.S. 37:2353.C(2) to “Employ, within the limits of funds received by the Board, ... general legal counsel, or other personnel necessary for the proper performance of work under this Chapter; and*

*WHEREAS the Board conducts hearings on complaints, cause the prosecution and enjoinder of all persons in violation of Title 37: Chapter 28 in order to safeguard life, health, property and the*

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*public welfare of this state and in order to protect the people of this state against unauthorized, unqualified, and improper application of psychology; and*

*WHEREAS the nature of the functions performed by the Board require the continuing services of an attorney who specializes in prosecuting cases under administrative law fulfill this function; and*

*WHEREAS the Courtney P. Newton, Esq. has been found to be qualified for this position and previously contracted with Board to provide legal services to Board to their satisfaction;*

*WHEREAS the total contract amount has exceeded the amended amount of \$50,055.97 due to a hearing held on September 23, 2020, several complaints which continue to require legal counsel, and with more than 8 months remaining in this fiscal year;*

*IT THEREFORE RESOLVES by motion of Dr. Gregory Gormanous, that the Board amend the multi-year contract with Chehardy, Sherman, Williams, Murray, Recile, Stakelum & Hayes, LLP ending on June 30, 2021 in order to continue to utilize the services of Courtney Papale Newton, Esq. to continue to provide legal services including, but not limited to, prosecutorial functions. The contract to continue at the rate of \$225 per hour plus travel and expenses that are preapproved in accordance with Policy and Procedure Memo 50, and not to exceed a maximum of \$80,055.97 for that period.*

*FURTHER THAT the Board authorize Ms. Jaime Monic, Executive Director, to execute such contract for approval through the Office of State Procurement.*

*WHEREAS, this resolution shall take effect immediately.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution and proposed contract described herein be submitted to the Attorney General for the State of Louisiana for approval.*

The resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows: The Board discussed the. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: In favor:(6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0)

- e. **Contract Amendment – MARK P. VIGEN, PH.D. -** Ms. Monic reported the limit for this contract (\$1,999) had been exceeded due Dr. Vigen served as Complaints Coordinator (CC) for a matter that did not settle and was adjudicated through formal hearing, requiring additional time. Dr. Vigen is one of two CC’s and is the only alternate CC should Dr. Sasha Lambert need to be recused from a case. With more than 8 months remaining in this Fiscal Year, Ms. Monic requested a contract amendment to increase the total contract from \$1,999, to an amount not to exceed \$5,000. Ms. Monic confirmed funding available to cover this amount in this fiscal year and advised the board that with the increased amount, the contract would require approval through the Office of State Procurement. Following discussion, Dr. Gormanous offered the following Motion and Resolution and moved for its adoption:
  - WHEREAS the Board is authorized under R.S. 37:2353.C(2) to “Employ, within the limits of funds received by the Board, ...general legal counsel, or other personnel necessary for the proper performance of work under this Chapter”;* and
  - WHEREAS the Board conducts hearings on complaints, cause the prosecution and enjoinder of all persons in violation of Title 37: Chapter 28 in order to safeguard life, health, property and the public welfare of this state and in order to protect the people of this state against unauthorized, unqualified, and improper application of psychology; and*
  - WHEREAS the nature of the functions performed by the Board require the continuing services of a COMPLAINTS COORDINATOR who is a licensed psychologist, with experience in forensics, to review complaints and direct the investigation of complaints; and*
  - WHEREAS potential conflicts of interest may arise, the Board requires more than one individual to serve in this role; and*
  - WHEREAS the Mark P. Vigen, Ph.D. has been found to be qualified for this position and previously contracted with Board to provide these services to the satisfaction of the Board;*

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*IT THEREFORE RESOLVES by motion of Dr. Gregory Gormanous that the Board increase the total contract with Mark P. Vigen, Ph.D. to provide services as Complaints Coordinator III, for a fiscal-year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021 for an amount not to exceed a maximum of \$5,000. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the hourly rates of pay for the position of Complaints Coordinator shall be:*

- *\$100 per hour, payable upon completion of a review of a Request for Investigation, with a preliminary and final recommendation to the Board, such review shall not exceed \$300 per case.*
- *\$100 per hour, payable upon completion of a review/proof of an Administrative Complaint pleading, not to exceed \$100.*
- *\$100 per hour for all meetings, including training and meetings with attorneys, investigator, executive director, board, and preliminary hearings.*
- *Travel and lodging may be reimbursed, if pre-approved/pre-authorized by the Executive Director. However, travel and other allowable expenses shall be reimbursed in accordance with the Division of Administration State General Travel Regulations, within the limits established for State Employees as defined in Division of Administration Policy and Procedure Memorandum No. 49. All out of state travel will be subject to prior approval by the Executive Director of the agency or his/her designee.”*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board authorize Ms. Jaime Monic, Executive Director, to execute such contract for approval through the Office of State Procurement.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately.*

The resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows: The resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows: The Board discussed the. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: In favor:(6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0)

Due to weather conditions created by Hurricane Delta on this date, the Board assessed the remaining agenda items and the weather conditions. With no one experiencing unfavorable weather in their area, Dr. Henke recommended moving forward with the agenda. Dr. Gormanous moved in favor of Dr. Henke’s recommendation. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: In favor:(6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0)

### **CONTINUED DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

2. **ASPPB Annual Meeting – Voting Delegate – Candidate Review – Public Protection and Safety, Time Sensitive** – The board discussed the upcoming ASPPB Virtual Conference. Dr. Gormanous moved in favor of soliciting a statement from each candidate as follows: “ASPPB’s Mission is to *support member jurisdictions in fulfilling their responsibility of public protection*. Some jurisdictions believe that ASPPB has experienced mission creep/drift. That is, ASPPB has shifted more towards a corporate mentality offering vendor services for fees at the expense of serving member jurisdiction’s varied needs and respecting their autonomy. Please react to this view.” The Board unanimously agreed that each candidate be approached for their view on this statement. The Board affirmed that Dr. Henke would be the voting delegate for the LSBEP at ASPPB’s annual meeting on October 16-17, 2020.
3. **November 19-20, 2020 LRP Meeting – Vital to Operations/COVID-19**
  - a. **Location/In-person Participation** – The Board discussed the upcoming Long Range Planning Meeting scheduled for November 19-20, 2020. Due to the continuing state of the COVID-19 Emergency, the Board discussed postponing this meeting until January 21-22, 2020 in hopes that

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the conditions and/or Board will be better suited to facilitate a larger meeting. The Board unanimously agreed, without objection to reschedule the LRP meeting to January 21-22, 2020.

- b. **Oral Examination Schedule** – Ms. Monic reported that Oral Examinations were becoming backlogged due to board member schedules and number of candidates eligible to complete their Oral Examination. The board members agreed to provide Ms. Monic with available dates to conduct examinations.

4. **CERTEMY Program Development and Credit Card Processing (Stripe, Square, PayPal-PayFlow Pro) – Vital to Operations** – Ms. Monic advised the board of progress on credit card processing options and requested a decision on fee structures given the increased processing amount. The Board requested that Ms. Monic research adding an ACH option to offer as a free payment processing option, and alternately charge a convenience fee for processing credit card payments online.

5. **ASPPB Midyear Meeting – April 2021, New Orleans, Request for Planning Committee Representative, Review Confidentiality Agreement– Vital to Operations** – Dr. Henke reported that ASPPB has sent her the paperwork required to participate on this committee, which included a Confidentiality Agreement. Dr. Henke reported that she understood there would be some degree of confidentiality, however had concerns regarding the level of confidentiality required and potential conflict of interest for a licensing board chair, as it may result in her keeping information that may impact the regulation of psychology from her state board. The Board discussed potentially adding an exclusionary statement and approved a workorder for Attorney Newton to review the agreement and provide input for Dr. Henke to move forward with this endeavor.

#### **CONTINUED COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

1. Executive Committee Report – Ms. Monic reported on the following:
  - a. In the matter of: Richard A. Marksbury, Ph.D., Plaintiff, Pro Se vs. Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists, 19<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, Parish Of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana No. 682294 DIV 21/D – the Plaintiff filed a writ of mandamus asking the First Circuit to compel Judge Clark to rule on our exception. The Board filed a response to this writ. Mr. Marksbury’s writ was denied
  - b. The computer upgrades would be coming in well under the \$5000 amount authorized in by the Board at their September 11, 2020 meeting.
  - c. Ms. Monic confirmed registrations for M. Moore, A. Henke, G.Gormanous, and G. Gibson and herself to attend ASPPB Annual Meeting (October 16-17, 2020)
  - d. Dr. Henke reported that she and Ms. Monic participated in ASPPB’s diagnostic interview on September 15, 2020 and were very candid in providing input, concerns and preception of ASPPB. It is not known if or how ASPPB will share results or decisions coming from this interview.
  - e. Dr. Henke reported she is going to attend ASPPB’s Meeting of Board/College Chairs on October 22, 2020.
  - f. Ms. Monic reported that she is meeting 1-2 times per week with CERTEMY and the development of the application is making great progress. Once a payment processor is selected, we should be able to develop a timeline to go live.
2. Complaints Committee

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- a. **Compliance Officer Report** - Ms. Monic presented the compliance report in the absence of Mr. Owens, for the period 09/12/20 – 10/09/20 as follows:
- Total number of Requests for Investigations received since last meeting: **1**
  - Total number of Board-initiated investigations since last meeting: **1**
  - Total number of Open investigations: **19**
  - **17** are Active Investigations
    - **1** from FY17-18
    - **2** from FY18-19
    - **6** from FY19-20
    - **8** from FY 20-21
  - **2** are Under review/Respondent not yet noticed
  - Total number of cases to be reviewed by the Board at the October meeting: **0**
  - Formal hearings scheduled: **0**
  - Disciplinary Actions: **1**
  - Applications w/ Arrest Info: **0**

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Following completion of discussion items, in light of the major amendment to the legal contract and budget discussion earlier in the meeting, Dr. Gormanous moved to return to Executive Session pursuant to LSA R.S.42:17.A(2) and (4) to continue to discuss budgetary items that involve salary negotiation and personnel matters. The Board discussed the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: In favor:(6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0) Ms. Monic was not present for this discussion.

Dr. Gormanous moved to close Executive Session to enter the Open Meeting and report on Executive Session matters. The Board discussed the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote as follows: In favor:(6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0)

During Executive Session, the board discussed expediting the direction for staff development previously approved at the September 11, 2020 meeting to seek an exemption from classified service for in house legal counsel, negotiate an offer with Attorney Courtney Newton to move from a contract employee to a full-time employee, prior to opening the position for public search.

At 4:30 p.m., Dr. Moore moved to adjourn the meeting. In favor:(6) Henke, Gormanous, Gibson, Moore, McNeely, Harness; Against: (0); Abstained: (0); Absent: (0)

### **LEGAL NOTICES**

La. R.S. 37:23.2 - In compliance with La. R.S. 37:23.2, the LSBEP hereby gives notice to its licensees and applicants of their opportunity to file a complaint about board actions and board procedures. You may submit such complaints to one or more of the following organizations: Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists: Submit in writing to: LSBEP, 4334 S. Sherwood Forest Boulevard, #C-150, Baton Rouge, LA 70816; [admin.lsbep@la.gov](mailto:admin.lsbep@la.gov); (225)925-6511; Committee on House & Governmental Affairs, La. House of Representatives: Submit to: [H&GA@legis.la.gov](mailto:H&GA@legis.la.gov) or Committee on House & Governmental Affairs, La. House of Representatives, PO Box 44486, Baton Rouge, LA 70804; (225) 342-2403; Committee on Senate & Governmental Affairs; La Senate: Submit to: [s&g@legis.la.gov](mailto:s&g@legis.la.gov) or Committee on Senate & Governmental Affairs; La Senate PO Box 94183, Baton Rouge, LA 70804; (225)342-9845

LA R.S. 42.14.D. Public comments\*\* – In accordance with LA R.S. 42.14.D., the LSBEP shall allow public comments at any point in the meeting prior to action on an agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken. Individuals who wish to comment on a matter must sign in and state their intent to comment on a matter.

La. R.S. 44:33.1 - In compliance with La. R.S. 44:33.1, the LSBEP hereby gives notice that information submitted to the LSBEP may become public record pursuant to the provisions of Louisiana Public Records Law, La. R.S. 44:1, et seq.

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 LA R.S. – Louisiana Revised Statutes      FY/FYE-Fiscal Year/Fiscal Year End  
 LSA – R.S. – Louisiana Statutes Annotated Louisiana Revised Statutes