

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF A MEETING FOR
STATE OF NEVADA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS'
APPLICATION TRACKING EQUIVALENCY AND MOBILITY "ATEAM"
COMMITTEE**

Meeting Minutes

July 12, 2024

1. Call to Order/Roll Call to Determine the Presence of a Quorum.

Call to Order: Executive Director Laura Arnold called the Nevada Board of Psychological Examiners' Application Tracking Equivalency and Mobility ("ATEAM") Committee to Order on July 12, 2024, at 10:57 a.m.

Roll Call: Committee Member, Dr. Catherine Pearson, and Committee Member Dr. Stephanie Woodard were present. Committee Chair Dr. Soseh Esmaeili was not present. Despite Dr. Esmaeili's absence, the Committee had a quorum.

Also present was Administrative Director Sarah Restori, Julie Barto Fisher, and Michael McNamara.

- 2. Public Comment.** NOTE: Public comment is welcomed by the Board and may be limited to three minutes per person at the discretion of the Committee Chair. Public comment will be allowed at the beginning and end of the meeting, as noted on the agenda. The Committee Chair may allow additional time to be given a speaker as time allows and in their sole discretion. Comments will not be restricted based on viewpoint. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken (NRS 241.020).

There was no public comment at this time.

3. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Approval of the Meeting Minutes from the April 12, 2024, Meeting of the Application Tracking Equivalency and Mobility (ATEAM) Committee.

On motion by Stephanie Woodard, second by Catherine Pearson, the ATEAM approved the Meeting Minutes from the April 12, 2024 ATEAM Meeting. (Yea: Catherine Pearson, and Stephanie Woodard.) Motion Carried: 2-0

4. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action on Applications for Licensure as a Psychologist or Registration as a Psychological Assistant, Intern or Trainee to Determine Equivalency with Nevada Requirements, Including Education and/or Training. (See Attachment A for the List of Applicants for Possible Consideration)

A. Michael McNamara – Psychological Intern applicant

Dr. Pearson informed that Michael McNamara is applying to register as a psychological intern under the supervision of Dr. Stephanie Holland. Mr. McNamara is currently a student at Meridian University, which is a non-APA accredited program, and he is pursuing his PsyD in clinical psychology. He is currently registered as a psychological trainee with this Board under the supervision of Dr. Nicole Anders. Dr. Pearson noted a discrepancy on the PLUS regarding receiving a complaint. Mr. McNamara confirmed he never had a complaint and had this corrected on his PLUS which was sent to the Executive Director. Dr. Pearson noted that Mr. McNamara's program will not meet the residency requirements that are required for Nevada Licensure. She went on to note that this will affect his ability to apply for licensure in Nevada. Mr. McNamara informed that his program's residency would be or did happen over Zoom, and Dr. Pearson and Dr. Woodard stated that Zoom does not satisfy the in-person residency requirement.

Dr. Pearson and Dr. Woodard noted that Mr. McNamara is not on track for licensure in Nevada based on his doctoral program's residency requirement and several course work areas. She noted that he does, however, meet and satisfy the requirements for internship exclusively based on his application.

The Executive Director noted that approval for registration as an intern does not mean the applicant will be approved for subsequent applications with this Board.

On motion by Stephanie Woodard, second by Catherine Pearson, the ATEAM approved Michael McNamara's application to register as a Psychological Intern. (Yea: Catherine Pearson, and Stephanie Woodard.) Motion Carried: 2-0

B. Julie Barto Fisher – Licensure Applicant

Dr. Woodard informed that Dr. Barto Fisher is coming before the ATEAM due to her application for licensure lacking a postdoctoral fellowship. Dr. Woodard noted that she has been continually licensed and has been in good standing in the state of Kentucky for the last 20 years. Due to having been licensed for so long, there was not a requirement at the time for applicants requiring postdoctoral hours. Dr. Woodard noted that the licensure by endorsement regulation for psychologists who have been licensed and in good standing for 20 years or more in Nevada would apply here.

Dr. Woodard added that the Board needs to receive verification from Kentucky Board of Psychology that shows she has been in good standing and has been continually licensed. The Executive Director informed that license verification is already a requirement we ask of applicants.

Dr. Barto Fisher noted that during the time of her initial licensure, she had a “temporary license” and during which time she did receive supervision for about one and half years, though this was not called a postdoctoral fellowship.

On motion by Stephanie Woodard, second by Catherine Pearson, the ATEAM approved Julie Barto Fisher’s application for licensure as a Psychologist. (Yea: Catherine Pearson, and Stephanie Woodard.) Motion Carried: 2-0

5. (For Possible Action) Discussion of ATEAM Committee Operating Procedures, including the Applicant Review Forms; and Possible Action to Propose Revisions to and/or Make Recommendations to the Board of Psychological Examiners for Adoption of the Revised Procedures and/or Review Forms.

Dr. Woodard informed she is rotating off the ATEAM, this being her last meeting, and Dr. Holland will be rotating on and recommends tabling this item for the next ATEAM meeting.

6. (For Possible Action) Discussion of Upcoming Meeting Dates for the ATEAM Committee.

The next ATEAM Committee meeting will be held on August 9, 2024, following the meeting of the regular Board meeting (10 a.m. or later).

7. Items for Future Discussion.

The Committee did not have any items for future discussion.

8. Public Comment.

There was no public comment at this time.

9. (For Possible Action) Adjournment

There being no further business before the Committee, the Executive Director adjourned the meeting at 11:34 a.m.