

**NEVADA STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS
APPLICATION TRACKING EQUIVALENCY AND MOBILITY (ATEAM)
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

November 17, 2020

1. Call to order/roll call to determine the presence of a quorum.

Call to Order: The meeting of the Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners' Application Tracking Equivalency and Mobility (ATEAM) Committee was called to order by President Dr. Whitney Owens at 5:05 p.m. Due to COVID-19 and Governor Sisolak's Emergency Mandate to Stay at Home for Nevada, this meeting was conducted online via Zoom.

Roll Call: Board President Whitney Owens, PsyD, and Member Stephanie Holland, PsyD, was present. Board Member Stephanie Woodard, PsyD, was absent.

Also present were Lisa Scurry, Executive Director, and members of the public Dr. Lauren Wecker and Dr. Anna Welsh.

2. Public Comment

There was no public comment at this time.

Lisa Scurry, Executive Director, stated for the record that no public comment had been received in the Board office via email.

3. Discussion and Possible Approval of the Meeting Minutes from the October 20, 2020 Meeting of the Application Tracking Equivalency and Mobility (ATEAM) Committee.

There was no discussion nor suggested changes to the minutes.

On motion by Stephanie Holland, second by Whitney Owens, the Application Tracking Equivalency and Mobility (ATEAM) Committee approved the minutes of the October 20, 2020 meeting of the ATEAM Committee. (Yea: Whitney Owens and Stephanie Holland) Motion Carries Unanimously: 2-0

4. Discussion of Applicants Who Attended Non-APA Accredited Programs Requiring Education and Application Review; and Possible Action to Provide Direction to an Applicant(s).

President Owens described the ATEAM process for review of applications, particularly related to licensure by endorsement.

As no further documentation had been received by the Board office, there was no update on the applications of Items A, B, C, D, E, F, G, and H.

A. Charlotte Watley, Psychological Trainee

B. Tracy Moore, Psychological Intern

C. Sharon Simington, Psychological Intern

D. Barbara Sommer, Psychological Intern

E. Linda Curtis, Psychological Intern

F. Michael Hobbs, Psychological Intern

G. Leah York, Psychologist Applicant

H. Nats Babel, Psychologist Applicant

I. Anna Welsh, Psychologist Applicant

Lisa Scurry, Executive Director, provided a summary of Dr. Welsh's application on behalf of ATEAM member Stephanie Woodard. It was determined that Dr. Welsh did meet the necessary educational requirements. The PLUS application indicated that Dr. Welsh completed over 2,000 internship hours over the course of two years, meeting the standards in Nevada. She is currently licensed in the state of California.

There was discussion regarding the number of supervised hours that occurred during the internship. It was determined that as the internship took place over two years, the number of supervised hours per week would have been halved and, therefore, Dr. Welsh met the minimum.

On motion by Stephanie Holland, second by Whitney Owens, the Application Tracking Equivalency and Mobility (ATEAM) Committee approved the application of Dr. Anna Welsh for referral to and approval by the Board of Psychological Examiners. (Yea: Whitney Owens and Stephanie Holland) Motion Carries Unanimously: 2-0

J. Lauren Wecker, Psychologist Applicant

Lisa Scurry, Executive Director, provided details related to Dr. Wecker's application. She has been currently licensed for ten years in California. Prior to that, she attended a non-APA accredited school which led to the referral to the ATEAM for review. Ms. Scurry clarified that Dr. Wecker's application was currently pending completion through the PLUS application system.

Dr. Wecker explained that a former internship supervisor has moved out of the U.S. There is no one remaining at that location that can attest to her hours. Without the attestation to the hours, the PLUS application cannot be completed.

President Owens asked if the California licensing board can provide verification of the hours. Dr. Wecker explained that she had previously requested her file from California. That file is being sent directly to ASPPB to extract the necessary documentation.

This application will return for a future ATEAM Committee meeting.

K. Rhea Pobuda, Psychologist Applicant

Ms. Scurry stated that this application was previously completed and will be pulled from future agendas.

L. Luz Robles Gonzalez, Psychologist Applicant.

Ms. Scurry explained that although the application appeared on ATEAM agendas in 2017, no documentation has been located to show the review was completed. As a result, it will remain on future agenda pending completion. The application is currently pending final completion of the PLUS application.

5. Discussion of Applicants For Licensure By Endorsement From A “Substantially Equivalent” State; And Possible Action To Provide Direction To An Applicant(s).

As the final application packets for the following two applicants have not been received by the Board office, there was no update on the applications of Items A and B.

A. Yvonne Westover, Psychologist Applicant

B. Matthew Damon, Psychologist Applicant

6. Discussion and Possible Revision of Draft Language For Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Related To Licensure By Endorsement, Including Procedures For The ATEAM Committee And Board Office; And Possible Action To Recommend Approval By The Board Of Psychological Examiners.

There was no discussion on the application by endorsement process. President Owens stated future conversations should include development of a rubric for review of “yellow state” applications.

- A. Review R0158-19: the NAC draft language to address the applications for licensure by endorsement
- B. Review of proposed procedures for the handling of endorsement applications received in the Board office
- C. Review and discuss the red light/green light language to provide guidance to the Board when reviewing applicants from different jurisdictions applying for licensure by endorsement.

7. Discussion and Possible Action on Guidance Provided by ASPPB Related to COVID-19 And Potential Future Accommodations for Psychological Assistants and Psychological Interns

There was no discussion on this item.

8. Discussion of Upcoming Meeting Dates for the ATEAM Committee

- A. The next ATEAM Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 22, 2020.

9. Items for Future Discussion.

There were no suggestions for future meetings.

10. Public Comment.

There was no public comment at this time.

11. Adjournment

There being no further business before the committee, President Owens adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.