

**Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board
Masters Level Psychology Advisory Committee Meeting
January 5, 2023**

DRAFT Minutes

- I. Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order by David Anderson, Chair of the Advisory Committee, at 12:00 p.m.

Master's Level Psychology Advisory Committee Members. Advisory Committee Members who participated by Zoom or phone were David Anderson, Rebecca Jabara, Kari Wold, Travis Hamrick, and Lauren Lucht. Iris Pauly, Joshua Tanguay, and Donna Hoener-Queal were absent.

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

Guests. None

- II. Approval of the Agenda.** Kari Wold moved to approve the agenda. Lauren Lucht seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- III. Review and Approval of Minutes.** Lauren Lucht moved to approve the minutes from the Advisory Committee meeting on October 19, 2022. Kari Wold seconded. The motion passed.
- IV. Executive Director's Report.** David Fye, Executive Director for the BSRB, provided updates on recent Board meetings, agency operations, and other items from recent meetings.
- V. Old Business**
- A. Finalize Recommended Changes to Unprofessional Conduct Regulations.** The Advisory Committee discussed possible changes to the unprofessional conduct regulation for the profession, K.A.R. 102-4-12, and proposed the following changes:
- a. **K.A.R. 102-4-12(b)(2)(D)** - Advisory Committee members discussed adding the language “felonies” rather than “all crimes.” It was the consensus of the committee to keep the language the same, so there was no recommended change on the item.
 - b. **K.A.R. 102-4-12(b)(7)** - Rather than stating “credentialed,” Advisory Committee members discussed whether to use the phrase “authorized to practice.” By consensus, the Advisory Committee approved this change.

- c. **K.A.R. 102-4-12(b)(10)** - Advisory Committee members discussed the inclusion of telehealth into the language. The specific proposed change was to add “Including, but not limited to, telehealth practice.”
- d. **K.A.R. 102-4-12(b)(13) and (14)** – The Chair of the Advisory Committee discussed adding after-hours crisis this language. The Advisory Committee recommended adding language regarding professional’s duties to their patients after hours. The consensus of the Advisory Committee was to change the item (14) to include the availability of and limitations of telehealth services, as well as the availability of after-hours crisis resources. No official change was made to item (13).
- e. **K.A.R. 102-4-12(b)(19), (22), and (23)** - BSRB staff stated the proposed change on item 22 is to say, “Failing to protect confidential information concerning other persons when providing access to that client’s records.” Advisory Committee members recommended this change. Advisory Committee members recommended removing the words “secrets” from the current language in item 23. The consensus of the Advisory Committee was to change items (22) and (23), and to keep the current language on item (19).
- f. **K.A.R. 102-4-12(b)(24)** - The consensus was to change the language to “Including, but not limited to, billing practices and advertising.”
- g. **K.A.R. 102-4-12(b)(27)** – The Advisory Committee recommended keeping the length of time at 24 months. The consensus was to change the language to add “student and supervisee.”
- h. **K.A.R. 102-4-12(b)(36)** - Advisory Committee members discussed changing the language in item (H) to indicate whether sessions were provided in-person or by other means such as telephone or other electronic methods. The consensus was to change the language to include what method of delivery of service was provided.
- i. **K.A.R. 102-4-12(45)** - It was the consensus to change the language to state “unprofessional or potentially harmful manner,” instead of “negligent manner.”
- j. **K.A.R. 102-4-12(51)** - It was the consensus to begin the item with “Failing to file a report...”

B. Discussion on Possible Regulation for Care of Clients in Crisis. This item was discussed during the Advisory Committee discussion on the unprofessional conduct regulation changes.

C. Continued Discussion on Psychometricians. Advisory Committee members discussed concern for a competitive pay scale for these professions. If there was an actual job description, it would eliminate what does and does not qualify, which could add protection for employers and make it easier to hire. Advisory Committee members questioned where responsibility falls and what the standard would be. If there was a specific license for this profession, it would potentially make testing more difficult and could make waiting times longer. Lauren Lucht recommended adding language about competency for independently licensed persons and psychometrists. It was added that there is not enough time for licensed psychologists to be the only ones

administering testing while still appropriately serving the public. It was the consensus of the Advisory Committee to table this discussion until additional Advisory Committee members were present at a future meeting.

VI. New Business

A. Discussion on Reciprocity and License Requirements in K.S.A. 74-5375. BSRB staff noted other Advisory Committees have been discussing and making recommendations to the Board on the topic of shortening the length of time that one must practice before being eligible to apply for licensure through reciprocity.

Currently, most applicants must practice for at least 48 of the last 54 months prior to application to be eligible for licensure through reciprocity. It was noted that reducing the time from 48 months to 12 months could lessen confusion, as the period of time for reciprocity would be more uniform across applicants. The consensus of the Advisory Committee was to recommend to the Board decreasing the period of time from 48 of 54 months to 12 months.

B. Discussion on Topics for 2023. Every spring, the BSRB provides training and or Board members and Advisory Committee members. This training is likely to occur at the next meeting.

VII. Possible Additional Agenda Items. None.

VIII. Next Meeting: A poll will be sent out to determine the next Advisory Committee meeting date.

IX. Adjournment. Kari Wold moved to adjourn the meeting. Lauren Lucht seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.