

MEETING MINUTES

CONNECTICUT BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
Department of Public Health
Regular Meeting
Monday, January 8, 2024, at 8:30am
Via Microsoft TEAMS

Name	Member	Present (Y/N)		DPH STAFF	Present (Y/N)
Howard J. Oakes, Jr., PsyD, Chairman		Y		Stacy Schulman, Legal Counsel to the Board	Y
Anthony F. Campagna, PdD		Y		Tyra Anne Peluso Board Liaison	Y
Joy Gary, Esq.	Public	Y			
Nancy Horn, PhD		Y			
Stacey L. Serrano, Esq.	Public	Y			

CALL TO ORDER: 8:45 am

1. MINUTES

Stacey Serrano moved to approve minutes of the December 11, 2023, regular meeting. Nancy Horn seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Anthony Campagna moved to adjourn. Nancy Horn seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Adjourned at 8:47 am

Howard J. Oakes, Jr., PsyD
Chairman

**BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
October 25, 2024**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Howard J. Oakes, Jr., PsyD, Chairperson
Nancy Horn, PhD
Stacey L. Serrano, Esq.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Anthony F. Campagna, Pd.D. (recused)
Joy Gary, Esq.

DPH STAFF PRESENT:

Ryan Burns, DPH Deputy Legal Director
Stacy Schulman, DPH Legal Counsel to the Board
Linda Fazzina, DPH Staff Attorney
Betty J. Rozario, Board Liaison

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Dr. Howard J. Oakes, Jr., PsyD called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

MOTION FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION

Philip B. Rosenthal, Ph.D. Petition No. 2024-537 Linda Fazzina, Staff Attorney

Staff Attorney Linda Fazzina presented the Motion for Summary Suspension to the Board. Attorney Fazzina appeared on behalf of the Department. Respondent was not present.

Ms. Stacey L. Serrano made a motion to grant the summary suspension. Dr. Howard J. Oakes, Jr. seconded the motion. By roll call vote of all members present, the summary suspension was granted.

The hearing was scheduled for November 8, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURN

Dr. Howard J. Oakes, Jr. moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Nancy Horn seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 a.m.

Howard J. Oakes, Jr., PsyD
Chairperson

**BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
September 9, 2024**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Howard J. Oakes, Jr., PsyD, Chairperson
Anthony F. Campagna, Pd.D.
Nancy Horn, PhD
Stacey L. Serrano, Esq.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Joy Gary, Esq.

DPH STAFF PRESENT:

Ryan Burns, DPH Deputy Legal Director
Stacy Schulman, DPH Legal Counsel to the Board
Linda Fazzina, DPH Staff Attorney
Betty J. Rozario, Board Liaison

CALL TO ORDER.

Chairperson Dr. Howard J. Oakes, Jr., PsyD called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Stacey L. Serrano, Esq. moved to approve the June 10, 2024 minutes. Dr. Nancy Horn, PhD. seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote.

DECLARATORY RULING REQUEST

A. Northeast Neuropsychology Brain and Behavioral Health Partners

Dr. David Lovejoy and Dr. James Pier presented the request for Declaratory judgment from Northeast Neuropsychology dated May 23, 2024 to the Board.

Dr. Anthony F. Campagna moved that the declared plan does not meet the requirements of the state of practice of psychology as defined in the statutes. Stacey L. Serrano, Esq. seconded the motion. All members present voted yes except Dr. Nancy Horn who voted no.

Dr. Nancy Horn made a motion whether the proposal as drafted by Northeast Psychology is compliant with the requirements of Connecticut General Statutes § 20-195aaa(c)(2). Stacey L. Serrano, Esq. seconded the motion. All members present voted yes except Dr. Anthony F. Campagna who voted no.

Dr. Anthony F. Campagna made a motion that the proposal as detailed by Northeast Neuropsychology is not consistent with the requirements of Connecticut General Statutes § 20-195aaa(c)(3). Stacey L. Serrano, Esq. seconded the motion. All members voted no except Dr.

Howard J. Oakes, Jr., who voted yes.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND CHAIR UPDATES

Dr. Howard J. Oakes, Jr. moved to add Public Comments and Chair Updates to the Agenda. Dr. Anthony F. Campagna seconded it.

The Board members and a member of the public had a discussion regarding the national exam for licensure as a clinical psychologist. The discussion will continue at the next Board meeting on December 9, 2024.

ADJOURN

Dr. Anthony F. Campagna moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Nancy Horn seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 9:44 a.m.

Howard J. Oakes, Jr., PsyD
Chairperson

MEETING MINUTES

CONNECTICUT BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
Department of Public Health
Regular Meeting
Thursday, May 23, 2024, at 8:30am
Via Microsoft TEAMS

Name	Member	Present (Y/N)	DPH STAFF	Present (Y/N)
Howard J. Oakes, Jr., PsyD, Chairman		Y	Stacy Schulman, Legal Counsel to the Board	Y
Anthony F. Campagna, PdD		Y	Derrick Williams Board Liaison	Y
Joy Gary, Esq.	Public	Y	Shawn Rutchick, Assistant Attorney General	Y
Nancy Horn, PhD		Y		
Stacey L. Serrano, Esq.	Public	Y		

CALL TO ORDER: 8:34 am

1. DECLARATORY RULING REQUESTS

Assistant Attorney General Shawn Rutchick shared with the board a request for a declaratory ruling from Northeast Neuropsychology Brain and Behavioral Health Partners (“NNBBHP”). Dr. David Lovejoy, the Director of NNBBHP addressed the board and further explained the request. After discussion, Dr. Lovejoy indicated that NNBBHP would be withdrawing its request for a declaratory ruling and resubmitting a revised request.

ADJOURNMENT

Anthony Campagna moved to adjourn. Nancy Horn seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Adjourned at 9:19 am

Howard J. Oakes, Jr., PsyD
Chairman

MEETING MINUTES

CONNECTICUT BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
Department of Public Health
Regular Meeting
Monday, June 10, 2024, at 8:45 am
Via Microsoft TEAMS

Name	Member	Present (Y/N)	DPH STAFF	Present (Y/N)
Howard J. Oakes, Jr., PsyD, Chairman		Y	Stacy Schulman, Legal Counsel to the Board	Y
Anthony F. Campagna, PdD		N	Derrick Williams, Board Liaison	Y
Joy Gary, Esq.	Public	N	Shawn Rutchick, Assistant Attorney General	Y
Nancy Horn, PhD		Y	Ryan Burns, Deputy Legal Director	Y
Stacey L. Serrano, Esq.	Public	Y	Stephen Carragher, Public Health Services Manager	

CALL TO ORDER: 8:50 am

MINUTES

The minutes from the May 23, 2024, regular meeting. Nancy Horn moved to approve the meeting minutes. Stacey Serrano seconded the motion. The vote was approved by roll call.

DECLARATORY RULING REQUESTS

Assistant Attorney General Shawn Rutchick shared with the Board a request for a declaratory ruling from Northeast Neuropsychology Brain and Behavioral Health Partners (“NNBBHP”). Dr. David Lovejoy, the Director of NNBBHP addressed the Board and further explained the request and clarification was provided by both Assistant Attorney General Shawn Rutchick and Dr. David Lovejoy on the process. Stacey Serrano moved that the Board set the matter down for a hearing at the next regular meeting of the Board on September 9, 2024. Nancy Horn seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a roll call vote.

DISCUSSION

Joseph E. Struckus, Ph.D. letter to the Board. The Board re-affirms that the matter against Dr. Joseph E. Struckus was dismissed and that Dr. Struckus can practice without restriction.

Stephen Carragher from the Department of Public Health addressed the Board concerning the process for the non-US educated Psychologists to obtain a Connecticut license. Mr. Carragher explained that for a non-US educated Psychologist to obtain a Connecticut license, the applicant must work with a credential evaluation service.

ADJOURNMENT

Stacey Serrano moved to adjourn. Nancy Horn seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Adjourned at 9:29 am

**BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
December 9, 2024**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Howard J. Oakes, Jr., PsyD, Chairperson
Joy Gary, Esq.
Nancy Horn, PhD
Stacey L. Serrano, Esq.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Anthony F. Campagna, Pd.D.

DPH STAFF PRESENT:

Ryan Burns, DPH
Stacy Schulman, DPH
Betty J. Rozario, DPH
Linda Fazzina, DPH
Patricia Calderone, DPH
Stephen Carragher, DPH
Paula DelGrego, DPH
Lori DePalma, DPH
Inna Erlikh, DPH
Shawn Rutchick, DPH

CALL TO ORDER.

Chairman Dr. Howard J. Oakes, Jr. called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Nancy Horn moved to approve the September 9, 2024, regular meeting minutes. Stacey L. Serrano, Esq. seconded the motion. Joy Gary, Esq. abstained. The motion was approved by roll call vote.

Dr. Nancy Horn moved to approve the October 25, 2024, special meeting minutes. Dr. Howard J. Oakes, Jr. seconded the motion. Joy Gary, Esq. abstained. The motion was approved by roll call vote.

CHAIR UPDATES

- A. The proposed changes to the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology have been withdrawn. There is currently no action required from the Board. They will continue to monitor the situation as it develops over time.

B. The proposed changes to the licensing exam have been withdrawn. There is currently no action required from the Board. They will continue to monitor the situation as it develops over time.

Dr. Nancy Horn moved to open the discussion of Chair Updates, Item B. for Public Comment. Joy Gary, Esq. seconded the motion. The motion passed with 1 'Nay' vote and 3 'Aye' votes.

A member of the public was recognized by the Board regarding the Professional Practice in Psychology Examination. Chairman Oakes indicated that they would review materials submitted by the individual, but no further action by the Board as the proposed changes had been withdrawn.

C. Dr. Nancy Horn moved to approve the proposed regular meeting dates for 2025. Stacey L. Serrano, Esq. seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote.

PROPOSED DECLARATORY RULING

Stacey L. Serrano, Esq. moved to approve the Declaratory Ruling from Northeast Neuropsychology Brain and Behavioral Health Partners. Dr. Nancy Horn seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote.

Dr. Howard J. Oakes, Jr. proposed changing the order of the agenda to: 4) Review of Out-of-Country Educational Program, 5) Orientation, and 6) Summary Suspension Hearing. Stacey L. Serrano, Esq. moved to approve the change to the agenda. Joy Gary, Esq. seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote.

REVIEW OF OUT-OF-COUNTRY EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

Stephen Carragher, Public Health Services Manager and Lori DePalma, Team Leader for the Mental Health Licensure Program, appeared on behalf of DPH. Lori DePalma presented the applicant Brittany Wolff, JD., PhD. The Board had no concerns and approved the recommendation of Brittany Wolff for licensure.

ORIENTATION

Board member orientation training presented by Ryan Burns, Deputy Legal Director.

SUMMARY SUSPENSION HEARING

Philip B. Rosenthal, Ph.D., Petition No. 2024-537. Staff Attorney Linda Fazzina appeared for the Department. The Respondent was present without representation. The Respondent requested a continuance to obtain legal counsel. The Department had no objection. The Board granted the Respondent's request. This hearing will be continued at a future date.

ADJOURN

Dr. Nancy Horn moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Howard J. Oakes, Jr. seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

Howard J. Oakes, Jr., PsyD
Chairperson