STATE OF OKLAHOMA
Board of Examiners of Psychologists

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD
July 10, 2026

The Oklahoma State Board of Examiners of Psychologists Meeting began at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, July 10, 2026. The meeting was held at The University of Tulsa, Lorten Hall, Room 312, 2820 E. 6th Street Tulsa, OK 74104.

Call to Order. Roll call and the announcement of a quorum.
Dr. Sternlof called the meeting to order.

Roll Call:
Members present:
S. Sternlof, Ph.D., Chair of the Board
A. Ivy, Ph.D., Vice-Chair of the Board
M. Shepherd, Ph.D., Member of the Board
C. Kunzweiler; Member of the Board
C. Kipp, Ph.D., Member of the Board
W. Berman, Ph.D. Member of the Board
Member absent:
R. Pollard, Member of the Board

Board staff present:
J. Kyser, Executive Director of the Board
B. Warren, Assistant Attorney General
B. Gifford, Executive Office Manager of the Board

Announcement and Introduction:
Director Kyser announced that a quorum was present to conduct business. Dr. Sternlof confirmed with Director Kyser that the meeting was filed with the Secretary of State, and the agenda was posted in accordance with the Open Meeting Act.

Statement of the Mission of the Oklahoma State Board of Examiners of Psychologists:
Dr. Sternlof announced the mission of the Oklahoma State Board of Examiners of Psychologists is to protect the public by regulating the practice of psychology in Oklahoma to ensure that only properly qualified psychologists practice psychology in the state and that the psychology profession as a whole is conducted in the public's best interest.

Approval of Minutes:
Board members reviewed the meeting minutes for May 15, 2026. Dr. Sternlof requested that his last name be amended on the minutes to remove one "f". *Dr. Shepherd moved to approve the May 15, 2026, meeting minutes as presented with the amendment to Dr. Sternlof's last name. Dr. Ivy seconded the motion and the motion passed. Kunzweiler, Shepherd, Ivy, Kipp, Berman, and Sternlof voted for the motion.*

Status of Current Requests for Inquiries:

Director Kyser provided the following updates: RFI 25-1 is pending tutorial and scholarly paper, RFI 26-2 pending PCC review, RFI 26-3 investigator has been appointed and PCC is scheduled, UC 22-3 investigator has been appointed, UC 24-6 is pending PCC recommendation, and UC 26-3 is under review.

Complaints, Orders, and Miscellaneous Disciplinary Matters:

Request for Inquiry: RFI 26-4

As a member of the Probable Cause Committee (PCC), Dr. Sternlof recused and left the room.

Ms. Warren made the following recommendation. RFI 26-4 was received by the Board office on or around May 27, 2026, and alleges that a licensed psychologist violated the ethics code by using non-standard and misleading terminology in a court-ordered psychological evaluation back in 2021. Specifically, the allegation is that the report included the verbiage "the test taker provided an unusual combination of responses that is associated with noncredible memory complaints". The complainant further alleged that when the licensed psychologist was called to testify and was asked about this language, he was unable to explain to the court what that language meant.

The psychologist responded that during the court-ordered psychological evaluation, he administered the MMPI-3, and his report included several direct quotes from the MMPI-3 computer generated reported. The psychologist stated that for over 20 years he has administered, scored, and interpreted the MMPI-3 Interpretive Reports for Clinical Settings through Pearson and has utilized the program written by Yossef Ben-Porath and believes this specific program is the accepted standard of practice in the psychology community.

Upon review of the RFI and initial response from the psychologist, Dr. Sternlof and Ms. Warren believed an informal meeting was necessary with the psychologist. Upon that informal meeting, it was reported that since 2023, he no longer performs any court related forensic work. The psychologist did state that at that time he had not seen that specific language used before but did testify to the court what he believed the language to mean. Upon review of the court transcripts, the psychologist testified that "this is the first time I have seen this phraseology in the computer generated narrative" but when asked if he had done research and could explain the term, the psychologist testified that "it's a way of saying that the computer could not make a linear sense of an assessment of the responses to the stimulus items as a whole".

Upon review of the RFI, the response, and the informal meeting, Dr. Sternlof and Ms. Warren believe there to not be any ethical violations committed by the psychologist and recommend that this RFI be dismissed and closed, but that an educational letter be sent to the psychologist to remind them of their ethical obligations for assessments (APA 9.01 and 9.02).

Dr. Shepherd motioned to dismiss RFI 26-4 as presented. Dr. Kunzweiler seconded the motion and the motion passed. Berman, Kipp, Kunzweiler, Shepherd and Ivy voted for the motion.

Request for Inquiry: UC 26-2

Ms. Warren made the following recommendation. UC 26-2 was received by the Board office on or around March 4, 2026, and alleges that an unlicensed individual, now a licensed attorney, was engaged in the unlicensed practice of psychology from 2017 until 2020-2021. The complaint specifically alleges that while he was ordered to participate in a court program, this individual (1) stole a cellphone from him and held him incompetent in his court cases, (2) acted as a psychology on his cases, (3) lectured him on medical marijuana, (4) was asked to sign a release of personal or medical information and was not clearly informed of the individuals credential, authority, or role, (5) was denied access to relevant information and guidance on how to proceed in the program, (6) framed statements about his personal challenges which led him to believe that he needed to rely on her for an appeal, and (7) was denied meaningful participation in the program that affected him. Along with the complaint, the complainant submitted various program notes from Mental health Court from the time period of 2017-2021.

The individual responded to the complaint and denied all allegations, stating that at the time of these allegations, she was employed as a Behavioral Health Case Manager for Cleveland County Mental Health Court, in which the complainant was a participant, and was only providing services within that role and scope. She stated that her main role as a case manager was to have regularly scheduled meetings with each participant, to ensure that they were following the rules of the program. The individual further denied ever acting as a psychologist, holding him incompetent in the program, or giving any other legal advice.

Upon a thorough review and investigation of the complaint and supporting documents, the individual's response, and any publicly available court documents, there was no evidence that this individual was holding herself out as a psychologist and/or practicing psychology without a license. Therefore, on behalf of Dr. Sternlof and Ms. Warren, they recommend that this Unlicensed Complaint be dismissed.

Dr. Kunzweiler motioned to dismiss UC 26-2 as presented. Dr. Kipp seconded the motion and the motion passed. Kunzweiler, Shepherd, Ivy, Kipp, and Berman voted for the motion.

Dr. Sternlof returned to the room.

Application for Licensure via Reciprocity, Timothy Nyberg, Ph.D.:

Board members reviewed the agenda item regarding the application for licensure via reciprocity for Dr. Timothy Nyberg. Director Kyser presented that the application be reviewed by the Board for compliance with for compliance with 59 O.S. § 1366, OAC 575:10-1-2(s), and the formal Texas Agreement of Reciprocity for Licensing. The application was previously reviewed by the Board and the Board decided to keep the application in a pending status until the Texas Board made a determination regarding an open complaint. Texas Behavioral Health Council determined the complaint could not be substantiated on June 1, 2026 and the complaint was dismissed.

Dr. Ivy motioned that the application for Dr. Nyberg be approved to sit for the JP Exam and to operate on his Texas licensure for one year. Dr. Berman seconded the motion and the motion passed. Kunzweiler, Sternlof, Kipp, Shepherd, Berman and Ivy voted for the motion.

Applications approved by the Application Review Committee May - June 2026:

Board members reviewed the agenda item regarding applications that were approved by the Application Review Committee during the months of May and June 2026.

Dr. Shepherd motioned to ratify the applications approved May and June 2026 *by the Application Review Committee. Dr. Ivy seconded the motion and the motion passed. Shepherd, Kunzweiler, Kipp, Berman, and Ivy voted for the motion. Sternlof recused.*

Report from the Oklahoma Psychological Association (OPA):

Dr. Emily Corley, OPA OSBEP Liaison updated members on current legislative matters and OPA events. *No action was taken.*

PSYPACT Commissioner's Report:

Dr. Kathie Ward, Ph.D., OSBEP PSYPACT Commissioner, updated members on current PSYPACT matters and events. Dr. Ward informed the Board that the PSYPACT Commission's Mid-Year Meeting, scheduled for July 13, 2026, would include a vote on a proposed amendment to Rule 10 establishing limitations on state assessment fees. She requested the Board's guidance regarding Oklahoma's position on the proposed amendment so she could cast her vote on behalf of the Board.

Dr. Shepherd motioned for Dr. Ward to vote no to not make the change, on Rule 10. Dr. Kunzweiler seconded the motion, and the motion did not pass. Shepherd, Kunzweiler, and Berman voted for the motion and Ivy, Sternlof and Kipp voted against the motion.

Dr. Ivy motioned for Dr. Ward to vote yes to make the change, on Rule 10. Dr. Kipp seconded the motion, and the motion did not pass. Shepherd, Kunzweiler, and Berman voted against the motion and Ivy, Sternlof and Kipp voted for the motion.

Dr. Ivy motioned for Dr. Ward to vote yes to make the change, on Rule 10. Dr. Kipp seconded the motion and the motion did pass. Shepherd and Berman voted against the motion and Ivy, Sternlof and Kunzweiler and Kipp voted for the motion.

Application Review Process:
Director Kyser recommended that OSBEP establish a more efficient application review process consisting of OSBEP staff and one Board member to review applications.

Dr. Ivy motioned to approve the application review process as presented. Dr. Berman seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sternlof, Kipp, Shepherd, Kunzweiler, Berman, and Ivy voted for the motion.

Application Review Committee:
Director Kyser recommended that OSBEP appoint another board member to the Application Review Committee.

Dr. Shepherd motioned to approve the appointment of Dr. Kipp to the application review committee. Dr. Kunzweiler seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sternlof, Kipp, Shepherd, Kunzweiler, Berman, and Ivy voted for the motion.

Standing Rules Committee:
Director Kyser recommended that OSBEP appoint another Board Member to the Standing Rules Committee.

Dr. Shepherd motioned to approve the appointment of Dr. Kipp to the standing rules committee. Dr. Sternlof seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sternlof, Kipp, Shepherd, Kunzweiler, Berman, and Ivy voted for the motion.

Report from the OLBAB Transition Committee: Director Kyser, updated members on current legislative matters and OLBAB events. *No action was taken.*

Establishing the Behavioral Analyst Advisory Committee (BAAC) and the Appointment of Members to the Committee.
Director Kyser made the recommendation a Behavior Analyst Advisor Committee (BAAC) be established effective 11/1/2026 and the committee should consist of one board certified behavior analyst, one OSBEP board member, OSBEP Executive Director or designee and OSBEP legal counsel.

Dr. Shepherd made the motion to establish the Behavior Analyst Advisor Committee. Dr. Kunzweiler seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sternlof, Kipp, Shepherd, Kunzweiler, Berman and Ivy voted for the motion.

The Board recommended the appointment of Dr. Shepherd as the OSBEP board member and Dr. Annie Baghdayan, Ph.D., BCBA-D, LBA as the board certified behavior analyst.

Dr. Ivy made the motion to appoint committee members Dr. Shepherd as the current board member and Annie Baghdayan as the BCBA member. Dr. Shepherd seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sternlof, Kipp, Shepherd, Kunzweiler, Berman and Ivy voted for the motion.

Monthly Budget:

Board members reviewed the monthly budget, revenue and expense reports presented by Director Kyser.

Dr. Sternlof motioned to approve the monthly budget, revenue, and expense reports as presented. Dr. Berman seconded the motion and the motion passed. Kunzweiler, Sternlof, Shepherd, Kipp, Berman, and Ivy voted for the motion.

FY 2027 OMES Shared Services Contract:

Director Kyser recommended that the agenda item be tabled and discussed at a future meeting due to a discrepancy with the contract that is currently being reviewed by OMES. *No action was taken as the item was tabled.*

Executive Director Report:

Director Kyser provided the following updates:

a) Next meeting Friday, September 11, 2026 – Colcord Center, Suite 100, Oklahoma City, OK. *No action was taken.*
b) Other Administrative Issues. Director Kyser reported the following:
    a. A request was submitted to the Contingency Review Board to increase the FTE count from 2 to 3 in anticipation of possible hiring an additional staff member. *No action was taken.*
    b. Office automation efforts are ongoing, including evaluating opportunities to transition the application process to a fully electronic platform. *No action was taken.*

2025 Renewal and CPE Audit

Board members reviewed the 2025 CPE Renewal Audit presented by Director Kyser.

Dr. Shepherd motioned to approve the 2025 Renewal and CPE Audit Report. Dr. Kipp seconded the motion and the motion passed. Kunzweiler, Sternlof, Shepherd, Kipp, Berman, and Ivy voted for the motion.

ASPPB Annual Meeting:

Board members discussed sending Director Kyser and one board member, Dr. Ivy, to the ASPPB annual meeting, October 14 – October 18, 2026 in Reno, NV.

Dr. Shepherd motioned to approve sending Director Kyser and Dr. Ivy to the ASPPB annual meeting. Dr. Kunzweiler seconded the motion and the motion passed. Kunzweiler, Sternlof, Shepherd, Kipp, Berman and Ivy voted for the motion.

FY 2027 Chair and Vice Chair Appointments:

Board members discussed maintaining current Chair, Dr. Sternlof and Vice Chair, Dr. Ivy for FY 2027.

Dr. Shepherd motioned to approve Chair and Vice Chair appointments. Dr. Kipp seconded the motion and the motion passed. Shepherd, Sternlof, Kunzweiler, Kipp, Berman, and Ivy voted for the motion.

Executive Session pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307(B)(1), for the purpose of discussing the employment of salaried public employee; Jenny Kyser, Executive Director.

Dr. Sternlof motioned to enter into executive session. Dr. Shepherd seconded the motion and the motion passed. Kipp, Kunzweiler, Berman, Sternlof, Shepherd, and Ivy voted for the motion.

The Board entered into Executive Session pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307(B)(1) at 11:30 a.m.

Board members returned to Open Session at 11:53 a.m. *Dr. Shepherd motioned to return from executive session. Dr. Kunzweiler seconded the motion and the motion passed. Kipp, Kunzweiler, Berman, Sternlof, Shepherd, and Ivy voted for the motion.*

Ms. Warren stated for the record that during the executive session, no items were discussed that were not listed on the agenda and no action was taken.

The Board discussed Director Kyser's FY 2026 Annual Performance Evaluation.

Dr. Shepherd motioned to increase Director Kyser's annual salary by 6% due to a satisfactory annual performance evaluation rating. Dr. Sternlof seconded the motion and the motion passed. Kipp, Kunzweiler, Berman, Sternlof, Shepherd and Ivy voted for the motion.

Public Comment:

Dr. Sternlof opened the meeting for public comment. A member of the public was granted permission to address the Board. The public member complimented the Board and expressed appreciation for the Board's work and efforts during the complaint process. Concerns regarding the MMPI-3 test were expressed. No other comments were requested. *No action was taken.*

Adjournment:

Dr. Sternlof announced that there is no further business to discuss. *Dr. Shepherd made a motion to adjourn. Dr. Berman seconded the motion* and the motion passed. *Kunzweiler, Shepherd Berman, Ivy, Kipp, and Sternlof voted for the motion.*

The meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jenny A. Kyser
Executive Director

ATTACHMENT TO THE AGENDA
Oklahoma State Board of Examiners of Psychologists
Application Review Committee Approvals
May and June 2026

PSYCHOLOGICAL TECHNICIANS

Psychologist	Psychological Technician
Jennifer E. Hale, Ph.D.	Ivee Baker
Renee Allen, Ph.D.	Erin Norvell
Wendi L. Betz, Ph.D.	Calli Walker
Kimberly Pittman, Ph.D.	Katie Schmidt
Scott Secor, Ph.D.	Sunny Batschelett
Scott Secor, Ph.D.	Christa Murphy
Joseph James, Psy.D.	Jennifer Griffin
Catherine Roring, Ph.D.	Carra Burrage
David Cole Milton, Ph.D.	Jennifer Griffin

CONTINUING EDUCATION

SE Professional Training Int. Somatic Experiencing International 4-23-2026 -24 CEU's
Saint Francis Health System Safety Plan Intervention for Suiciding Training 5-11-2026 1 CEU

APPLICATIONS TO SIT FOR LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS AND PRACTICE UNDER SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS:

Diana Alexandra Sierra, Psy.D.	Approval to sit for exams and exempt PostDoc with VA
Dustin Brown, Psy.D.	Approval to sit for JP exam and practice for 1yr on MO license
Katelynn Jones-Theron, Ph.D.	Approval to sit for exams and exempt PostDoc with VA
Leah Phillips, Ph.D.	Approval to sit for JP exam and practice for 1yr on TX license
Holly Kaitlin Salem, Ph.D.	Approval to sit for exams and exempt PostDoc with OU
Timothy Nyberg, Ph.D.	Approval to sit for JP exam and practice for 1yr on TX license
Stephenie Wescoup, Ph.D.	Approval to sit for JP exam and practice for 1yr on MN license
Anthony Tamborello, Ph.D.	Approval to sit for JP exam and practice for 1yr on TX license
Alexandra Lyn Blair, Ph.D.	Approval to sit for exams and exempt PostDoc with OU

LICENSED HEALTH SERVICE PSYCHOLOGISTS:

Jacob Valera, Psy.D.	License # 1515: Issued Date: 5/13/2026
Stephanie Hillman, Ph.D.	License # 1516: Issued Date: 6/18/2026