

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

July 1, 2025

APPROVED MINUTES

Board Members Present: Debra M. Kawahara, PhD; Wendi S. Williams, PhD ; Cynthia de las Fuentes, PhD; Olivia Moorehead-Slaughter, PhD; Natalie Porter, PhD; Arthur C. Evans Jr., PhD; Rhonda B. Allen, PhD; Aldo M. Barrita, PhD; Luz Maria Garcini, PhD, MPH; Jermaine Jones, PhD; Margaret Kovera, PhD; Noelle Lefforge, PhD, ABPP; Elizabeth Louis, PhD; Mary Ann McCabe, PhD, ABPP; Lindsay Patterson, CIA, CPA; Hideko Sera, PsyD

Board Members Absent:

- A. The Board voted to approve the minutes of its June 17, 2025, call.
- B. In executive session, the Board voted to approve the continuing committee appointments.
- C. In executive session, the Board voted to approve the appointment of Charles F. Reynolds III, MD, to serve on the panel charged with updating *APA's Clinical Practice Guideline for the Treatment of Depression Across Three Age Cohorts*.
- D. The Board voted to 1) determine that the *Guidelines for Psychology's Role in Pediatric to Adult Health Care Transition* poses no undue risk to the Association and 2) refer the item to the Council Leadership Team for a content review and to make a recommendation to Council.
- E. The Board voted to 1) determine that the *APA Professional Practice Guidelines for Psychologists in the Assessment of Psychological Trauma in Adults* poses no undue risk to the Association and 2) refer the item to the Council Leadership Team for a content review and to make a recommendation to Council.
- F. The Board voted to 1) determine that the *APA Professional Practice Guidelines Psychologists Involvement in Pharmacological Issues* poses no undue risk to the Association and 2) refer the item to the Council Leadership Team for a content review and to make a recommendation to Council.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

July 22, 2025

APPROVED MINUTES

Board Members Present: Debra M. Kawahara, PhD; Wendi S. Williams, PhD ; Cynthia de las Fuentes, PhD; Olivia Moorehead-Slaughter, PhD; Natalie Porter, PhD; Arthur C. Evans Jr., PhD; Rhonda B. Allen, PhD; Aldo M. Barrita, PhD; Luz Maria Garcini, PhD, MPH; Jermaine Jones, PhD; Margaret Kovera, PhD; Noelle Lefforge, PhD, ABPP; Elizabeth Louis, PhD; Mary Ann McCabe, PhD, ABPP; Lindsay Patterson, CIA, CPA; Hideko Sera, PsyD

Board Members Absent: None.

- A. The Board voted to approve the minutes of its July 1, 2025, call.
- B. The Board voted to approve Atlanta, Georgia as the site for the 2031 Convention with the dates of August 7-10, 2031.
- C. In executive session, the Board voted to approve the appointment of the following members to the Working Group to Address Applied Practice Issues in the APA Model Licensing Act: Drs. Stewart Cooper, Leslie Ellis, Kensa Gunter, Theodore Hayes, Liberty Munson, Kelly Reburn and Sara Troutman.
- D. The Board discussed the substitute motion of Council New Business Item #17B/Feb 2025, Amendments to Association Rules to Support Board-Council Collaborative Oversight and Responsibility for Financial and Organizational Management of the APA, and found that implementation of the item as proposed in the substitute motion creates serious legal and operational risks to the Association.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

August 4, 2025

APPROVED MINUTES

Board Members Present: Debra M. Kawahara, PhD; Wendi S. Williams, PhD ; Cynthia de las Fuentes, PhD; Olivia Moorehead-Slaughter, PhD; Natalie Porter, PhD; Arthur C. Evans Jr., PhD; Rhonda B. Allen, PhD; Aldo M. Barrita, PhD; Luz Maria Garcini, PhD, MPH; Jermaine Jones, PhD; Margaret Kovera, PhD; Noelle Lefforge, PhD, ABPP; Elizabeth Louis, PhD; Mary Ann McCabe, PhD, ABPP; Lindsay Patterson, CIA, CPA; Hideko Sera, PsyD

Board Members Absent: None.

A. The Board voted to approve the minutes of its July 22, 2025, call.

B. The Board voted to recommend that Council approve the following motion:

That the APA Chief Executive Officer submits an annual update to the Council of Representatives on APA's progress in implementing the recommendations of the APA Task Force report "Addressing the Climate Crisis: An Action Plan for Psychologists."

That this annual update describes all APA activities related to climate change and includes coverage of goals internally and externally, plans, roles of directorates and offices, key contacts for leadership, collaborations with other organizations, accomplishments, and challenges; and

That information about any ongoing and/or planned APA financial and staff resources devoted to climate change activities be included in annual budget materials.

C. The Board received as information the June 2025 Year-to-Date Financial Information.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

August 26, 2025

APPROVED MINUTES

Board Members Present: Debra M. Kawahara, PhD; Wendi S. Williams, PhD ; Cynthia de las Fuentes, PhD; Olivia Moorehead-Slaughter, PhD; Natalie Porter, PhD; Arthur C. Evans Jr., PhD; Aldo M. Barrita, PhD; Jermaine Jones, PhD; Margaret Kovera, PhD; Mary Ann McCabe, PhD, ABPP; Lindsay Patterson, CIA, CPA

Board Members Absent: Rhonda B. Allen, PhD; Luz Maria Garcini, PhD, MPH; Noelle Lefforge, PhD, ABPP; Elizabeth Louis, PhD; Hideko Sera, PsyD

- A. The Board voted to approve the minutes of its August 12, 2025, call.
- B. The Board discussed the June 2025 Year-to-Date Financial Information.
- C. The Board discussed the update from the Business, Innovation and Growth Office.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

September 9, 2025

APPROVED MINUTES

Board Members Present: Debra M. Kawahara, PhD; Wendi S. Williams, PhD ; Cynthia de las Fuentes, PhD; Olivia Moorehead-Slaughter, PhD; Natalie Porter, PhD; Arthur C. Evans Jr., PhD; Rhonda B. Allen, PhD; Aldo M. Barrita, PhD; Luz Maria Garcini, PhD, MPH; Jermaine Jones, PhD; Margaret Kovera, PhD; Noelle Lefforge, PhD, ABPP; Mary Ann McCabe, PhD, ABPP; Lindsay Patterson, CIA, CPA; Hideko Sera, PsyD

Board Members Absent: Elizabeth Louis, PhD

- A. The Board voted to approve the minutes of its August 26, 2025, call.
- B. The Board had a debrief of the Convention.
- C. Based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, the Board voted to request that the Work Group on Evaluating Elected and Appointed Leader Groups that was previously authorized to:
 - 1. assess the current structure, activities, and support provided to Elected and Appointed Leader Groups (e.g., boards, committees, task forces, working groups), and
 - 2. explore the most effective and efficient framework for advancing APA's strategic priorities, grounded in psychological science and APA's commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion—be further charged with a) identifying and implementing immediate, short-term, and temporary cost-saving measures including improved staff efficiencies and b) recommending longer-term cost reductions and improved staff efficiencies related to the operations of these leadership groups.

President Debra Kawahara informed the Board about the recent outreach to the major boards - Board for the Advancement of Psychology in the Public Interest, Board of Educational Affairs, Board of Professional Affairs, Board of Scientific Affairs and Policy and Planning Board – requesting that each identify one individual from their board to serve on the Work Group. In addition, President Kawahara shared her appointments of two members from the Board of Directors and two members from the Council of Representatives to participate in the Work Group.

- D. The Board received an update regarding the establishment of the Work Group on Anti-Arab and Anti-Muslim Bias within APA and will discuss the item on its September 16, 2025, call.

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September 16, 2025

APPROVED MINUTES

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Board Members Absent: None

- A. The Board voted to approve the minutes of its September 9, 2025, call.
- B. The Board voted to approve Apryl Alexander, PsyD, as the recipient of the Distinguished Contributions of Applications of Psychology to Education and Training award and Richard Harris, PhD, as the recipient of the Distinguished Contributions to Education and Training in Psychology award.