

**Minutes
Arkansas Psychology Board
101 East Capitol, Suite 415
Board Meeting
August 21, 2009**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Chair of the Board, Dr. Joe Alford, at 9:20 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Board Members present: Dr. Joe Alford, Dr. Russell Dixon, Dr. James Fuendeling, Ms. Elizabeth Glenn, Dr. J. Judd Harbin, Dr. Edward Kleitsch, Ms. Gloria Gordon, and Ms. Rosalyn Watts.

The Board excused Mr. Dwight Sperry's absence due to personal issues.

Staff Members present: Mr. James Ammel, Ms. Amy Ford, and Ms. Sheila Pauley.

MEETING AGENDA

Dr. Alford presented the agenda. Dr. Dixon made a motion to approve the agenda. Dr. Kleitsch seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES

The minutes from July 10, 2009 were not complete at the time of the Board meeting. The Board tabled the minutes of July 2009 until next month.

COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT

The Complaint Committee indicated that they were no new action items to report this month.

OLD BUSINESS

Licensed Psychological Examiner—Approval of Supervision Plan towards Independent Status

Lauren McKnight, M.S. resubmitted documents for approval of her Licensee Supervision Plan with John Murphy, Ph.D. in order to begin accruing 3000 hours towards Independent Status. Dr. Dixon made a motion to approve her request. Dr. Harbin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Credential Reviews

Jamie Frank, M.A. submitted an application for licensure as a Psychological Examiner. Ms. Frank's coursework does not meet licensure requirements.

Haden Shepherd, M.S. submitted an application for licensure as a Psychological Examiner. His file did not pass Credential Review because another reference was required. Jason Warnick, Ph.D. resubmitted his reference based on extensive discussion with Mr. Shepherd's clinical

supervisor. Dr. Dixon made a motion to approve his file. Ms. Glenn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Amy Spicer, M.S. submitted an application for licensure as a Psychological Examiner. Her file did not pass Credential Review because another reference was required. Jason Warnick, Ph.D. resubmitted his reference based on extensive discussion with Ms. Spicer's clinical supervisor. Dr. Dixon made a motion to approve her file. Ms. Glenn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Julie White, M.S. submitted an application for licensure as a Psychological Examiner. Her file did not pass Credential Review because another reference was required. Jason Warnick, Ph.D. resubmitted his reference based on extensive discussion with Ms. White's clinical supervisor. Dr. Dixon made a motion to approve her file. Ms. Glenn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

STATEMENT OF INTENT REVISIONS

Carla Lester, M.S. requested to add adults to the population served. Dr. Dixon made a motion to approve the request. Ms. Glenn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Ms. Pauley reported that on March 1, 2009, due to the decrease in gas prices, the rate of mileage reimbursement for use of privately-owned motor vehicles on official business for the State has changed from forty-five (45) cents per mile to forty-two (42) cents per mile. She stated that she did not remember seeing any notices about this change at that time and had reimbursed the Board members at the rate of forty-five (45) cents per mile for the months of March, April, and June, 2009. Ms. Pauley stated that for the month of July 2009, the reimbursement was paid at the rate of forty-two (42) cents per mile.

Ms. Pauley stated that while she was working on fiscal year reports, she came across the memorandum dated February 11, 2009 from Richard Weiss with the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) on the DFA webpage. She stated that when she sent the reimbursement for the month of July 2009, she included a copy of that memorandum to the Board members with their reimbursement for the month of July 2009. She stated that she wanted to notify the Board members that, on the next reimbursement, for the month of August 2009, the rate will be forty-two (42) cents per mile. In addition, she would have to deduct the overpayment of three (3) cent per mile from the August reimbursement for the months of March, April, and June 2009. Dr. Dixon made a motion to withhold the overpayment to the Board members on the next travel reimbursement. Dr. Harbin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Pauley stated that on August 10, 2009, she resubmitted a Hiring Freeze Exception Request to the Office of Personnel (OPM) for the Administrative Specialist III position which has been vacant since May 8, 2009. She stated that, according to OPM, it may take an additional four (4) to six (6) weeks for determination.

Ms. Pauley notified the Board of the updates on Legislation and Record Retention Law based on a letter she received dated July 14, 2009 from Amy Ford, Assistant Attorney General. Ms. Pauley stated that Act 809 clarifies the time for the Arkansas Economic Development Commission to

respond to an economic impact statement and creates a regulatory review committee. She stated that Act 1489 requires State Agencies, Boards, and Commissions that license a health professional to procure certain demographic data such as race, ethnicity, gender, and several other domains. She stated that she will have to contact GL Suites, to see if these enhancements can be added to the database. If these domains can be added, she will find out the additional fees associated with this request and cost to the Board. In addition, Act 1302 requires State Agencies to publish the time and location of all meeting and hearing on the state webpage at www.arkansas.gov at least three (3) days prior to the meeting. The requirement does not apply to emergency or special meetings.

In addition, Ms. Pauley reported that the Guidelines for Electronic Record Retention dated June 19, 2009 from Ms. Ford will be beneficial, as she write the policies and procedures for the Board office so that they will be in compliance with state and federal laws.

EXPERT WITNESS

Alan W. Aram, Psy.D. submitted a letter requesting permission to provide expert testimony in an Arkansas Court. Dr. Aram is not a resident of Arkansas and is not licensed by the Arkansas Psychology Board. Dr. Kleitsch made a motion that, since Dr. Aram was not providing therapy to clients in Arkansas, his request for providing testimony does not require licensure per Chapter 97, 17.97.103. Dr. Dixon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Staff will notify Dr. Aram of the Board decision.

LICENSED PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINER ACCURING 3000 HOURS TOWARDS INDEPENDENT STATUS SUPERVISION PLAN and/or SUPERVISOR CHANGES

Joshua Lee, M.S. is currently accruing 3000 direct client contact hours towards Independent Status as a Psychological Examiner. Mr. Lee submitted a letter to the Board indicating that he was unable to meet with his supervisor for weekly supervision from October 23, 2008 until January 7, 2009. Dr. Fuendeling made a motion that he could not count the hours he earned from October 23, 2008 until January 7, 2009 because he was not following the requirements of the Licensee Supervision Plan to accrue 3000 hours towards Independent Status. Dr. Harbin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Letitia Olson, M.S. requested to change from meeting with her primary supervisor, Normand Begnoche, Ph.D. from weekly to biweekly meetings for two hours and weekly telephone supervision with her supervisor due to relocating to a rural area of the State. Dr. Dixon made a motion to approve her request. Dr. Harbin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

LICENSED PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINER SUPERVISION PLAN and/or SUPERVISOR CHANGES

Scott Landis, M.A. requested a change in primary supervisor to Ron McInroe, Psy.D. Dr. Dixon made a motion to approve the request. Dr. Harbin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Anita Madakasira-Andrews, M.A. submitted a Licensee Supervision Agreement and Plan with Leah Carter, Ph.D. Dr. Dixon made a motion to approve the request. Dr. Harbin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

PROVISIONAL LICENSEE SUPERVISION PLAN and/or SUPERVISOR CHANGES

Adam Benton, Ph.D. submitted a Provisional Licensee Supervision Plan with Teresa Kramer, Ph.D. Dr. Benton did not indicate the length of his weekly supervision sessions on the Provisional Licensee Supervision Plan. Ms. Watts made a motion to correct the error on Dr. Benton's Supervision Plan. Dr. Dixon seconded the motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

Sarah Maestri, M.S. submitted a Provisional Licensee Supervision Plan with Leah Carter, Ph.D. Dr. Dixon made a motion to approve her request. Dr. Harbin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Benjamin Sigel, Ph.D. submitted a Provisional Licensee Supervision Plan with Terri Miller, Ph.D. Dr. Miller indicated that supervision for group therapy would be provided by another Psychologist. Ms. Watts made a motion to have Dr. Sigel submitted a Secondary Provisional Licensee Supervision Agreement and Supervision Plan for determination. Ms. Glenn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Kathy White, M.A. submitted a Provisional Licensee Supervision Plan with Elizabeth Speck-Kern, Ph.D. Ms. White's Provisional Licensee Supervision Plan indicates that she will have biweekly supervision. The minimum requirement for Provisional Licensee's is one (1) hour per week. Ms. Glenn made a motion to for Ms. White to correct the error and resubmit the Supervision Plan. Dr. Harbin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

LICENSED PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINER—CLINICAL TRAINING TOWARDS 3000 HOURS FOR INDEPENDENT PRACTICE SUPERVISION PLANS

Natasha Fowler, M.S. submitted a Licensee Supervision Plan with Normand Begnoche, Ph.D. to begin accruing 3000 hours of clinical training towards Independent Status as a Psychological Examiner. Dr. Dixon made a motion to approve her request. Ms. Glenn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ronnie Goff, M.S. submitted a Licensee Supervision Plan with Brad Williams, Ph.D. to begin accruing 3000 hours of clinical training towards Independent Status as a Psychological Examiner. Dr. Dixon made a motion to approve his request. Ms. Watts seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Kimberly Lambert, M.S. submitted a Licensee Supervision Plan with Erica Moseby, Ph.D. to begin accruing 3000 hours of clinical training towards Independent Status as a Psychological Examiner. Dr. Dixon made a motion to approve her request. Dr. Harbin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Amber Waite, M.S. submitted a Licensee Supervision Plan with Nancy Powell, Psy.D. to begin accruing 3000 hours of clinical training towards Independent Status as a Psychological Examiner. Dr. Harbin made a motion to approver her request. Dr. Dixon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

SUPERVISOR STATUS REQUESTS

Mike Davis, Ph.D. requested supervisor status. He submitted an application, a cover letter, and three (3) references from licensed Psychologist. Dr. Dixon made a motion to approve the request. Ms. Glenn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Susan Sobel, Ph.D. requested supervisor status. She submitted an application, a cover letter, and three (3) references from licensed Psychologist. Dr. Dixon made a motion to approve the request. Dr. Harbin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

PROVISIONAL LICENSE EXTENSIONS

Jon Priest, M.S. has completed all of the licensure requirements for a Psychological Examiner and has successfully passed the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP). His current Provisional License will expire on August 31, 2009. He is requesting an extension of his current this Provisional Licensee until October 16, 2009 for Oral Examinations. Dr. Dixon made a motion to approve the request. Dr. Harbin seconded the motion. The motion passed. Ms. Glenn abstained from voting.

The Board recessed for an executive session to discuss personnel issues at 11:10 AM.

The Board reconvened in public session at 11:40 AM.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Dixon made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Glenn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The Board adjourned at 12:00 PM.