

MINUTES

Date: Friday, January 18, 2002
Location: 101 East Capitol Suite 415, Little Rock, Arkansas 2001
Present: Mr. Dwight Sowell, Dr. John Stephen Holt, Dr. Michael Wyrick, Dr. Russell Dixon, Mr. Larry Lawrence, Dr. Stephen Shry, Dr. E.O. Ballard, Dr. Betty Davis, Complaints Investigator, Mr. James Ammel, Attorney General's Representative, Ms. Connie Carroll, Ms. Janet Welsh, and Ms. Ginger Wages

At 9:00 a.m., Chairman, Mr. Dwight Sowell called the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Psychology Board Meeting and Oral Examinations to order.

MM: E.B; 2ND; SS: To accept January 18, 2002 Board Meeting Agenda. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries.

MM: SS, 2ND; Sh: To accept and approve the December 14, 2001 Board Meeting Minutes. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries.

COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Complaint 99-14: MM: Complaint Committee, AND; 2ND: To grant the Respondent's attorney another continuance and reschedule the hearing for Thursday, April 18, 2002, to be held at the Attorney General's Office Building. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries.

Complaint 01-06 & 00-14: MM: Complaint Committee, AND; 2ND: To combine the two complaints for a hearing on Thursday, May 16, 2002 before the Board Meeting on that following Friday. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries.

ARKANSAS RULES & REGULATIONS

MM: SS, 2ND; LL: To approve the final revisions of the Arkansas Rules and Regulations. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries. (Copies of those revisions were provided upon verbal or written request). Jan Church Ph.D., addressed the Board on behalf of ArPa. The Rules And Regulations will be reviewed by the Office of Legislative Council on February 7, 2002.

OLD BUSINESS:

Patient's requests for records:

M. Parker: The Board discussed in length regarding handling of records requests when an account balance is outstanding and concluded: 1) That this is not within the jurisdiction of this Board; that it is a business practice issue. 2) Maybe subject to State Medical Records statutes. 3) Should give consideration to Risk Management (i.e., malpractice liability).

Supervision Course:

K. Rowell: The Board asked Chairman, Mr. Dwight Sowell, to make an appointment with Dr. Rowell at UCA and report back to the Board on their discussion.

ACT 1211: MM: Y,2ND;SS: To approve ACT 1211 for reimbursement of Board Expenses.
Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries.

Oral Examination Package:

MM: RD,2ND;MY: To look into buying an Oral Examination Package. Vote: Unanimous.
Motion carries.

Review of Medicare Rules to be rescheduled at a later date.

NEW BUSINESS:

ASPPB Mid Winter Meeting: No Board Members or Board Staff will be attending this meeting.

Request for CE Extensions :

MM: RD,2ND;SS: Licensees who have not submitted their CE's by January 15, 2002, must pay the late fee regardless of the extension granted, and completed CE's must be received by the Board office no later than 60 days after the deadline date, which is March 15, or a hearing will be scheduled. Hardship cases requesting an extension or waiver are reviewed case-by-case basis.

Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries.

Hardship Cases:

J. Minor : MM: SH,2ND;SS: Since this is a medical issue to accept the submitted 20 hours of CEU's being in compliance for the biennium 2000-2001 upon receiving a letter from his doctor. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries.

C.Webb MM: SH,2ND;SS: Since this is a medical issue, to waive 40 hours of required CEU's for biennium 2000-2001 upon receiving a letter from her doctor. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries.

K. Worley: SH,2ND;SS: To accept the amended Statement of Intent to Practice.

Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries.

G. McCollum: MM: SH,2ND;MY: To write to Delta Counseling Associates and inform them that there is no specific requirement of collegiate enrollment during psychological examiner internships. However, there are specific requirements that must be met in Section 5.3.C., of the Board's Rules and Regulations. It would be to their advantage to make an internship proposal for approval to the Board. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries.

Fee increase: Tabled until next scheduled Board meeting for additional information from Board Treasurer and Executive Secretary.

Re-application Process Discussion: The Board discussed this issue and concluded that the Rules & Regulation do not preclude anyone from re-applying for licensure once their BFA Status runs out or they have failed the EPPP Written Examination twice. When re-applying if any of the Rules & Regulation have changed than those Rule changes would apply under re-application.

Newsletter: The Board discussed publishing a newsletter in the near future.

MM: EB,2ND;LL: To adjourn Board meeting. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries. Board meeting adjourned.

BOARD MINUTES APPROVED 2/8/02