

## MINUTES

Date: Friday, May 17, 2002  
Location: Office of the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Psychology  
101 East Capitol, Suite 415, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201  
Present: Mr. Dwight Sowell, Dr. Stephen Shry, Dr. John Stephen Holt, Dr. Michael Wyrick,  
Dr. Russell Dixon, Mr. Larry Lawrence, Dr. Betty Davis, Dr. E.O. Ballard,  
Complaints Investigator, Mr. James Ammel, Ms. Janet Welsh, and  
Ms. Ginger Wages  
Absent: Attorney General's Representative, Ms. Connie Carroll

At 9:00 a.m., on May 17, 2002, Chairman, Mr. Dwight Sowell, called the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Psychology Board to order.

MM: EO,2ND;SS: To accept May 17, 2002 Board Meeting Agenda. Vote: Unanimous.  
Motion carries.

MM: JSH,2ND;RD: To accept and approve the April 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> Disciplinary Hearing, Board Meeting, and conference call of May 2, 2002. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries.

### COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

James M. Ammel/ABEP Ethics Investigator

Complaint # 00-11A & B (Rec'd 6/28/01): MM: Complaint Committee, AND; 2ND: Acceptance of Respondent's counterproposal (with Board suggestions for any necessary terms/conditions therein) and then preparation of a proposed Consent Order for presentation to Respondent, with final version subject to Board's approval. Note-the alternative of a suspension- requirement would likely necessitate a hearing. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries.

Complaint # 01-03: MM: Complaint Committee,AND;2ND: That there is sufficient evidence to implicate an ethical violation, with the Board needing to resolve factual allegations. Complaint Committee is recommending that his matter be called to a hearing (probably in August 2002), with Respondent invited to propose any terms/conditions for a negotiated Consent Order for the Board's consideration. Vote: 5-for & 1-abstention (SS). Motion carries.

Complaint # 01-12: Complaint Committee,AND; 2ND: Believes that the Respondent has appropriately provided sufficient evidence to refute the allegations and discerns no apparent ethical violation. Recommend that this matter be closed with a finding of no violation and no further action, with the parties being so advised. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion re: Public Health, Welfare & Labor Committee Meetings and Litigation:

MM: LL,2ND;SH: To nominate Dr. Russell Dixon (that Board member only) as spoke person for the Board to meet and enter into discussion (off the record) with one member of their choosing from the Arkansas Psychological Examiners Association, one member from the Psychological Association, and a legislator to keep communications open and not to compromise the Board's unanimous stand on this issue. Vote: 5-for & 1-abstention (RD). Motion carries.

MM: JSH,2ND;RD: To instruct Dr. Stephen Shry and the Executive Secretary to gather information for alternatives on out-side council and cost factors to present to the Board at its next meeting. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries.

Newsletter:

NEW BUSINESS:

J. Spencer: Limits of P.E.'s diagnostic authority: MM: SS,2ND;EB: To send a letter stating that he could possibly re-test and strongly recommend he contacts his supervisor. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries.

G. Schroeder: MM: SS,2ND;EP: To inform him that he should ethically bill for what services he provides. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries.

Ron Hissman: re questionnaire: The Board discussed questions

S. Clark:SH,2ND; LL: To accept his letter as documented update and grant supervisory status. Vote: Unanimous.

MM: MY,2ND;RD: To adjourn Board meeting. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carries.