

**Minutes
Arkansas Psychology Board
101 East Capitol, Suite 415
Board Room
February 17, 2006**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Stephen Shry, Chair, at 9:00 a.m.

Board Members present: Dr. Joe Alford, Dr. Russell Dixon, Dr. Sabra Hassel, Mr. Dwight Sowell, and Mr. Dwight Sperry.

Staff Members present: Ms. Amy Ford, Ms. Janet Welsh, and Ms. Rebecca Wright.

Guests present: Dr. Stephen McCandless, Dr. Lisa McNeir, and Dr. Gary Souheaver.

Meeting Agenda

Dr. Shry presented the agenda. Dr. Sabra Hassel made a motion to accept the agenda. Dr. Russell Dixon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes

Dr. Shry presented the January 20, 2006 minutes. Mr. Dwight Sperry stated that he is listed as "Dr." and requested a correction. Dr. Joe Alford made a motion to approve the amended minutes. Dr. Dixon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT

There was no report at this time.

J. Paul Moore Case Update

Ms. Amy Ford, Assistant Attorney General, presented to the Board an update concerning Dr. J. Paul Moore. Ms. Ford stated that oral arguments were heard in court in Jonesboro on February 3, 2006. The judge ruled that the Board was within its authority to penalize Dr. Moore. The concerns were that the Board was not specific enough in Dr. Moore's rehabilitation terms and that the Board was penalizing Dr. Moore for items he was not charged. The next step will be either an appeal of the above or another hearing in front of the Board.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervision: S. McCandless

Dr. Stephen McCandless was licensed in January 2006 and was asked to return to explain his comments concerning supervising interns in his workplace. Dr. McCandless stated that he did review the Rules and Regulations concerning supervision when he received his notice to come before the Board. He stated that he does understand that he must have two years of licensure and experience before applying for supervisory status and that any supervision he is doing is under supervision of qualified supervisors. The Board accepted his explanation and Dr. McCandless will follow the Board's law, Chapter 97, and the Rules and Regulations concerning supervision.

Board Approved Supervisor: A. Clark

Dr. Anna Clark submitted Dr. Steven Holt as her supervisor in compliance with her Consent Order issued on January 20, 2006. Dr. Dixon made a motion to approve Dr. Clark's supervisor. Dr. Hassel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Continuing Education Report

Ms. Rebecca Wright provided a report of the 2004-2005 biennium CEU reporting. She stated that there were problems with the online reporting and she would work to improve the system. At this time, the reporting was very close to being split in half of those who reported online versus those who reported by mail.

Continuing Education Questions – Daniel Fasko

Dr. Daniel Fasko has requested the amount of continuing education hours he could count towards a learning community he participated in for approximately nine months. The Board requested more information concerning the groups and credentials of the presenters. The Board stated that this is an activity that should have been pre-approved according to the Rules and Regulations.

Continuing Education Extension Requests

Dr. Lewis Bracy requested an extension of his CEUs due to being retired. The Board stated that as a retired licensee, if he is consulting, he will need to have an active license, have an updated Statement of Intent and provide CEUs each biennium. Dr. Hassel made a motion to grant a six month extension to report CEUs. Mr. Sperry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Robert Strange requested a CEU late fee waiver. According to the Rules and Regulations, a late fee and an automatic audit occur if the CEUs are not submitted by the deadline. Dr. Dixon made a motion to deny Mr. Strange's request and to pay the late fee. Dr. Hassel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Continuing Education Changes Proposal

Ms. Wright presented to the Board a proposal to change the CEU reporting to once a year and to coincide it with license renewal. After discussion, the Board denied the proposal. The Board staff will continue to find ways to improve CEU reporting.

Statement of Intent Changes/Updates

Ms. Debra Butler is a Licensed Psychological Examiner. She submitted an updated Statement of Intent to include neuropsychological assessment under the supervision of Dr. Jeff Snow. The Board discussed that as an LPE, the Statement of Intent should be changed from neuropsychological assessment to neuropsychological testing administration and to be performed under the supervision of a neuropsychological Psychologist. The Rules and Regulations would have to be addressed to change the Statement of Intent form. Mr. Dwight Sowell made a motion to request more information from Ms. Butler and Dr. Snow and to clarify that there would be restrictions even under supervision. Dr. Dixon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Status

Dr. April Coe Hout requested supervisor status. Dr. Dixon made a motion to grant supervisory status. Dr. Hassel seconded the motion. Dr. Alford abstained. The motion passed.

Dr. Joan Simon requested supervisor status. Mr. Sowell made a motion to grant supervisory status. Dr. Dixon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Alford stated that he would have a report for the next Board meeting concerning clarification of supervising Licensed Psychological Examiners.

May Board Meeting

Ms. Janet Welsh requested that the May Board meeting be changed to May 12th. Dr. Dixon made a motion to accept the date. Dr. Alford seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ASPPB Midyear Meeting

The ASPPB Midyear Meeting will be held in Sandestin, FL on April 20-23, 2006. Dr. Alford, Dr. Shry and Ms. Welsh stated that they would like to attend. Dr. Dixon made a motion to approve the attendance. Dr. Hassel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned.