

**Minutes  
Arkansas Psychology Board  
101 East Capitol, Suite 415  
Board Meeting  
November 9, 2007**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Dwight Sowell, Chair, at 9:00 a.m.

Board Members present: Dr. Joe Alford, Dr. Russell Dixon, Ms. Jane English, Dr. Sabra Hassel, Dr. Tom Poling and Mr. Dwight Sperry.

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

Guests Present: Ms. Elizabeth Glenn and Dr. Gary Souheaver.

**Meeting Agenda**

Mr. Sowell presented the agenda. Ms. Jane English moved to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Dwight Sperry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Minutes**

Mr. Sowell presented the October 5, 2007 minutes. Ms. English moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Sperry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT**

*There are no action items to report at this time.*

**Update – Dr. J. P. Moore**

Ms. Amy Ford, Assistant Attorney General, informed the Board that as of 11/2/2007, the final order for Dr. Moore was entered. She stated that Dr. Moore ceased practicing on 9/28/2007. Dr. Moore has a new supervisor on file, Dr. Samuel Hester, and Dr. Hester has provided affidavits to the Board office. Dr. Moore and Dr. Hester will commence with the six months supervision.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Credential Review – Full Board**

Lawrence Michael is applying for a Psychological Examiner license. He was licensed by the Board in 1977 and the license lapsed in the early 1990's. At the time of his first licensure, 600 internship hours were not required but his practicum was accepted. Mr. Michael has been

working in Missouri since 1980 and has worked under supervision. At this time, Mr. Michael is lacking 200 internship hours and is requesting the hours be waived and that his work experience be accepted. Dr. Joe Alford moved to waive the 200 internship hours and accept work experience to meet the requirements of credential review. Mr. Sperry seconded the motion. Dr. Russell Dixon called the question. The motion passed unanimously.

Kimberly Gibson is applying for a Psychological Examiner license. She has made two applications. The Board office has not heard from Ms. Gibson for about six months. Dr. Sabra Hassel stated that Ms. Gibson has supplied copies of paperwork, which is unacceptable, and that there have been problems with the content. She also stated that the coursework looks to coincide with counseling than psychology and that Ms. Gibson should consider applying with the Counseling Board. Dr. Dixon moved that Ms. Gibson's file be closed due to lack of contact and due to graduate work not being comparable to Psychology. He stated that Ms. Gibson can reapply when her graduate work is comparable. Ms. English seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Because Ms. Gibson has not contacted the Board office in six (6) months, even after correspondence has been sent to her, a copy of this motion will be placed in her file and will not be sent to her.

### **Application Form**

Dr. Hassel stated that she would like to have a work history of applicants included in the application packet. She stated that the work history along with education will provide a broader background of the applicants. Dr. Hassel moved that a work history/resume section be added to the application form. Dr. Dixon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board recessed at 10:00 a.m. for the Rules & Regulations Public Hearing and for Oral Examinations.

The Board reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

### **Adoption of Rules & Regulations**

After the Public Hearing of the Rules & Regulations, the Board found three areas to modify. Each area needed modified language to clarify the intent. Mr. Sperry moved to accept the revisions and adopt the Rules & Regulations. Dr. Dixon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Ford stated that the Rules & Regulations will need to be submitted to the Bureau of Legislative Council for approval and then they will be submitted to the Secretary of State. This process will take approximately thirty (30) days.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Provisional Licensure Extension**

Crystal Kavanaugh has requested a six (6) month extension of her provisional license. She has not taken the Examination of Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP) test and would like

more time to apply for and take the test. Dr. Alford moved to grant the extension. Dr. Dixon seconded the motion. Dr. Hassel opposed. The motion passed.

Amber Waite has requested an extension of her provisional license. She is currently employed and would like more time to apply for and take the EPPP test. Dr. Alford moved to grant a six (6) month extension. Dr. Dixon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Supervisor Status Requests**

Jessica Luitjohan requested supervisory status under supervision. She submitted an application, a transcript showing a course in supervision and a letter of recommendation from a Licensed Psychologist. The Board tabled the request for the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Gene Chambers requested supervisory status. He submitted an application, a transcript showing a course in supervision and a letter of recommendation from a Licensed Psychologist. Dr. Hassel moved to grant supervisory status. Dr. Dixon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Request for Internship Contact Hours Clarification**

Rachel Walker contacted the Board office requesting information concerning contact hours during her internship. She would like clarification of how many contact hours should be derived from each area she will be working in. The Board stated that Ms. Walker should divide the contact hours as if she were practicing so as to cover all areas. Dr. Dixon stated that he would contact Ms. Walker with the information.

### **Psychological Examiner Independent Practice Applications – Update**

Ms. Janet Welsh has received many independent practice applications and she has divided them into two groups. The first group had no problems and could be approved immediately. The second group had minor problems that the Board members will need to consider. Dr. Alford moved that the first group be approved and that the second group be tabled until the next regularly scheduled Board meeting. Dr. Dixon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **ADJOURN**

Dr. Alford made a motion to adjourn. Dr. Dixon seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned 4:00 p.m.