

Minutes
Arkansas Psychology Board
101 East Capitol, Suite 415
Board Meeting
July 17, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

The Arkansas Psychology Board meeting was called to order by the Secretary of the Board, Dr. Kevin Reeder, at 10:10 AM.

ROLL CALL

Board Members present: Ms. Dixie Bryson, Dr. Betty Everett, Dr. Joyce Fowler, Dr. Art Gillaspay, Mr. Skip Hoggard, Dr. Kevin Reeder, and Ms. Sharon Hoehn.

Board Members excused: Dr. Edward Kleitsch and Dr. Jawahar Mehta.

Staff Members present: Mr. James Ammel and Ms. Maggie Sponer Mr. Edward Armstrong was present as the Board's Attorney General Representative.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Bryson made a motion to approve the agenda with the change to the number of Orals candidates. Mr. Hoggard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF PAST MINUTES

Ms. Bryson made a motion to approve the June 19, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes as revised. Dr. Everett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORT FROM THE COMPLAINT COMMITTEE

(submitted by Mr. Ammel)

C-14-08 UPDATE

STATUS:At the June Board meeting, Board members inquired about informed consent issues with direction for investigation of such. That subsequent investigation indicated that Respondent had no documentation of informed consent pertaining either to the forensic evaluations done or the following therapy services provided to the Complainant. Respondent claimed that an oral discussion of the forensic evaluation procedures occurred. At the August Board meeting, the Screening Committee likely will present a recommendation for further action to the Board for its consideration.

C-15-03 ADVISORY

This case involves an issue of what exactly can be construed to be psychological services (i.e., is "life coaching" a psychological practice service?) according to the definitions of psychological practice contained in the licensing statutes and the Board's regulations.

While the case's investigation is ongoing, the Board's Assistant Attorney General and its Investigator solicited a "sense of the Board" pertaining to that definitional and practice issue. The Board eventually concluded that more factual information would be needed before that issue could be resolved.

OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Dielmann submitted a letter, on behalf of Mr. Nicholas Mitrani, regarding Mr. Mitrani's Statement of Intent revision submitted to the Board on April 17, 2015. The Board approved Mr. Mitrani's request and requested that his Supervising Psychologist submit a letter providing documentation and attesting to his extensive training in the areas of Psychological and Psycho-Educational Assessments. Mr. Hoggard made a motion to accept Dr. Dielmann's letter. Ms. Bryson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Amy Roberts submitted a letter of clarification regarding the completion of her 3,000 hours towards Independent Status. Dr. Everett made a motion to approve the request. Dr. Gillaspay seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Personnel Committee

Dr. Fowler notified the Board that the Personnel Committee had no meeting this month; however, the committee did conduct interviews of two (2) candidates for the Administrative Specialist III position with a recommendation once the hiring freeze waiver has been approved by the Governor.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Hoggard informed the Board that the available budget was and that the Board continues to operate within its budget.

Director's Report

Ms. Sponer notified the Board that she had received a call from the Board's liaison to the Governor and the hiring freeze paperwork is being processed. Once the hiring freeze waiver is approved, Dr. Fowler requested that Ms. Sponer offer the Administrative Specialist III position to Ms. Brandi Thompson.

Completion of 3,000 hours towards Independent Status

Ms. Chancy Bethea submitted her Licensee Supervision Completion – PE Independent Practice and Statement of Intent to Practice as a Licensed Psychological Examiner – Independent to the Board for consideration. Mr. Hoggard made a motion to approve the request. Ms. Bryson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Letters Requesting One-Time Consultation

Dr. Angela Donahue submitted a letter to the Board indicating that she will be in the State of Arkansas August 22-23 to conduct a one-time evaluation. Ms. Bryson a motion to approve the request. Dr. Gillaspay seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Kris Monhandie submitted a letter to the Board indicating that she will be in the State of Arkansas August 22-23 to conduct a one-time evaluation . Ms. Bryson made a motion to approve the request. Dr. Gillaspay seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously

Licensee Requests

Dr. Mark Clark submitted a letter to the Board requesting approval of Millcreek of Arkansas as a Doctoral Internship site. Mr. Hoggard made a motion to notify Dr. Clark that the Board does not approve Internship sites; however, the Board does recommend that any doctoral intern may send a letter requesting approval of the internship site, if the site is not an APA accredited training facility and it meets the criteria lined out in Section 5.4 of the Rules and Regulations pertaining to Pre-Doctoral Internship. Ms. Bryson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Reinstatement of License to Active Status

Mr. Charles Kunkle submitted all documentation, including license renewal forms and CEUs, to the Board requesting reinstatement to active status. Dr. Everett made a motion to approve the request. Dr. Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Rebecca Williams submitted all documentation, including license renewal forms and CEUs, to the Board requesting reinstatement to active status. Dr. Everett made a motion to approve the request. Dr. Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Statement of Intent Revision

Dr. Betty Everett submitted a new Statement of Intent Ms. Bryson made a motion to approve the request. Dr. Gillaspay seconded the motion. Dr. Everett abstained. The motion passed.

Supervision Agreement and Plan

Mr. Collin Davies submitted a Supervision Agreement and Plan indicating Dr. Susan Sobel as his New Primary Supervisor. Ms. Bryson made a motion to approve the request. Mr. Hoggard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. James Harris submitted a Supervision Agreement and Plan indicating Dr. Kevin Santulli as his New Primary Supervisor. The Board approved the request pending further clarification in the area of “Projective Test”. This area was not indicated on Mr. Harris’ Statement of Intent. The Board requested documentation of training and/or education in this area. In addition, The Board requested that Mr. Harris provide an updated Statement

of Intent. Dr. Fowler made a motion to approve the request. Dr. Gillaspy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Carmilya Wilson submitted a Supervision Agreement and Plan indicating Dr. Joyce Alford as her New Primary Supervisor. Mr. Hoggard made a motion to approve the request pending the receipt of a revised Supervision Agreement and Plan indicating the frequency of individual supervision sessions and notification that Dr. Alford is a New Primary Supervisor or New or Secondary Supervisor. Ms. Bryson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Recess/Reconvene

The Board recessed for lunch and Credential Reviews at 11:20 am.
The Board reconvened at 11:55 am.

CREDENTIAL REVIEW

The Credential Review Committee(CRC) made a fully seconded motion to approve the following credentials:

1. Dr. Rebecca Aldea's credentials were submitted to the Board for consideration as an Applicant Psychologist.
2. Dr. Laurie Clemons' credentials were submitted to the Board for consideration as an Applicant Psychologist.
3. Dr. Angela Jones' credentials were submitted to the Board for consideration as an Applicant Psychologist.
4. Dr. Hugo Morales' credentials were submitted to the Board for consideration as an Applicant Psychologist.
5. Dr. Kenneth Vencencio's credentials were submitted to the Board for consideration as an Applicant Psychologist.
6. Dr. Kate Lyn Walsh's credentials were submitted to the Board for consideration as an Applicant Psychologist.

The Board approved the above credential review candidates.

The Credential Review Committee (CRC) made a fully seconded motion to approve Ms. Heather Adams' Neuropsychological Technician Registration, pending receipt of transcript verifying a passing grade in Abnormal Psychology.

The Credential Review Committee denied Dr. David Felner's application as a Senior Psychologist due to the fact that the background check returned with disqualifying actions according to the Board's Rules and Regulations.

QUARTERLY REPORTS

The Credential Review Committee made a fully seconded motion to approve the following Quarterly Report forms:

1. Ms. Rachel Allen's Quarterly Report for the period of February 2015 – May 2015.
2. Dr. Andy Cohen's Quarterly Report for the period of April 17, 2015 – July 17, 2015.
3. Dr. Micholyn Gayoso's Quarterly Report for the period of March 1, 2015 – May 31, 2015.
4. Dr. Laura Horton's Quarterly Report for the period of March 11, 2015 – June 11, 2015.
5. Dr. Taisha Jones' Quarterly Report for the period of March 27, 2015 – June 26, 2015.
6. Dr. Michael Marsden's Quarterly Report for the period of March 21, 2015 – June 19, 2015.
7. Dr. Jonathan Smith's Quarterly Report for the period of April 3, 2015 – July 3, 2015.
8. Dr. Ashlie Williams' Quarterly Report for the period of April 1, 2015 – June 30, 2015.

The Board approved all of the above quarterly reports.

Recess/Reconvene

The Board recessed for Oral Exams at 12:50 pm.

The Board reconvened at 2:00 pm.

ADJOURN

Dr. Gillaspay made a motion to adjourn. Dr. Everett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The Board adjourned at 3:05 pm.