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Arkansas Psychology Board
101 East Capitol, Suite 415
Board Meeting
September 19, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

The Arkansas Psychology Board meeting was called to order by the Chair of the Board, Dr. Edward Kleitsch, at 10:20 AM.

ROLL CALL

Board Members present: Ms. Dixie Bryson, Dr. Joyce Fowler, Mr. Skip Hoggard, Dr. Edward Kleitsch, Dr. Lisa McNeir, Dr. Jawahar Mehta , and Dr. Gary Souheaver.

Board Members excused: Dr. Kevin Reeder.

Board Members absent: Mr. Harmon Seawel.

Staff Members present: Mr. James Ammel, Ms. Maggie Sponer and Ms. Amber Collins-England. Ms. Meredith Rebsamen was present as the Board's Attorney General Representative.

Staff Members absent: Ms. Amy Ford

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. Souheaver made a motion to approve the agenda, adding a discussion regarding the number of CEU hours that may be obtained at the Arkansas Psychology Consortium's workshop, Saturday, October 18, 2014. Dr. McNeir seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF PAST MINUTES

Dr. Souheaver made a motion to approve the August 15, 2014 Board Meeting Minutes as amended. Dr. McNeir seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORT FROM THE COMPLAINT COMMITTEE

The Investigator notified the Board that the Complaint Committee had no meeting this month.

Since no Complaints Screening Committee was conducted on 09/19/14, there was nothing additional to report to Board members. The report from the August meeting was orally read to the Board and subsequently disseminated to them in print. Dr. Souheaver

concluded that the report be definitely made part of the August Board meeting minutes for institutional memory purposes and to document what transpired in two (2) complaint cases per the requirements of the Board (referencing cases C-11-05 Dr. Barrett and C-14-05 LPC Dr. Adams).

Subsequently, during the Board's review of a LPE's submitted new Supervision Agreement & Plan involving a new primary supervising psychologist (approved), a "sense of the Board" was solicited regarding whether (a) such documents need approved by the Board prior to delivery of services, or (b) only when that suspension of such services occur after Board-denial of the submission and prior to submission of new documentation. Two (2) interpretations could possibly be derived from the wording of Regulation 6.2.B, as alternatively referenced herein, but our Assistant (substitute) AG indicated that the wording was fairly clear that Supervision Agreements & Plans needed to be Board-approved prior to delivery of any psychological services, although precedents of the Board's prior decisions to allow service delivery after submission of such documents until the Board denied approval of those documents should be the prevailing interpretation and continued course of practice by the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

Personnel Committee

Dr. Souheaver informed the Board that the Personnel Committee had no formal meeting this month.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Hoggard informed the board that the Money Market Trust Fund had a balance of \$181,401.25. In addition, Mr. Hoggard notified the Board that the August reports, provided by Department of Finance and Administration (DFA), indicated that bills were paid.

Staff is working on trying to close the Board's commercial bank account by the end of September and have all funds transferred to the Treasury account.

Director's Report

Ms. Spomer notified the Board that all bills have been paid and the bank reconciliation for the month of September has been submitted.

Ms. Spomer informed the Board that the Chair, Dr. Kleitsch, and she attended a Legislative Joint Audit Committee Meeting regarding Board findings from 2010 – 2011. The main finding during this audit period was the overpayment of hotel rates for two previous Board Members. The Legislative Joint Audit Committee asked if the Board had been reimbursed for the overpayment from the two previous Board Members. The Board asked that a letter requesting reimbursement be sent to the previous Board Members.

In addition, the Board requested that Ms. Sponer look into the responsibilities of Board Members in state government for training purposes. The Board asked that Ms. Sponer present a preliminary progress report by December on training new Board Members.

Finally, Ms. Sponer informed the Board that Supervision Agreement and Plans were being sent into the Board office for Pre-Doctoral Interns and their supervisors. Since these Interns are not applicants, Ms. Sponer asked what documentation needs to be complete and submitted by the Interns. Dr. McNeir advised that she will supply the Board with a Supervision Form to give to the Pre-Doctoral Internship sites.

Recess/Reconvene

The Board recessed for lunch at 11:54 am.

The Board reconvened at 1:10 pm.

Completion of 3,000 hours towards Independent Status

Ms. Maureen Skinner 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. Dr. Souheaver made a motion to deny the request based upon the fact that insufficient supervised hours were documented on the Licensee Completion – PE Independent Practice forms. Dr. Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Extension to Currently Approved Provisional Licensure

Dr. Angela Perea submitted a letter requesting a six month extension of her Provisional License to provide her with adequate preparation time for the EPPP exam. Dr. Souheaver made a motion to approve her request. Ms. Dixie Bryson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Letters from Licensees

Ms. Amy Flaherty submitted a letter to the Board requesting the Board provide a letter stating that she may supervise in the State of Arkansas. Mr. Skip Hoggard made a motion to deny her request on the basis that the Arkansas Psychology Board does not grant supervisory status to Licensed Psychological Examiners and Licensed Psychological Examiners – Independent Status. Dr. Souheaver seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Danielle Reece submitted a letter requesting to administer the Children’s California Verbal Learning Test under the supervision of a Neuropsychologist. Dr. McNeir made a motion to approve her request, advising that she is able to provide psychoeducational tests as a Licensed Psychological Examiner. In addition, if Ms. Reece is interested in using neuropsychological tests she will need to expand her Statement of Intent to include

Neuropsychology under supervision and follow the rules guiding that practice. Dr. Souheaver seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Eileen Selby submitted a letter regarding particular courses offered at the University of Arkansas to see if they would meet the requirements of a Neuropsychological Technician Registration. The Board advised which courses would meet the requirements outlined in Chapter 97.

Letter Requesting One-Time Consultation

Dr. Paul Connor submitted a letter to the Board indicating that he had been contacted by defense counsel in an Arkansas criminal case to conduct a neuropsychological evaluation of their client. Dr. Connor also noted that along with the evaluation there may be the possibility of having to return to provide testimony. Dr. Souheaver made a motion to approve his request. Mr. Hoggard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Supervisory Status

Dr. Pamela Brown submitted the necessary documentation to apply for Supervisory Status. Dr. Souheaver made a motion to approve the request. Mr. Hoggard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Ingrid Jacobs submitted the necessary documentation to apply for Supervisory Status. Dr. Souheaver made a motion to approve the request. Mr. Hoggard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Supervision Agreement and Plan

Ms. Jamie Garcia submitted a Supervision Agreement and Plan indicating Dr. Darline Thorson as her New Primary Supervisor. Dr. Souheaver made a motion to approve the request. Dr. McNeir seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Chad Parsons submitted a Supervision Agreement and Plan indicating Dr. Carolyn Jenkins as his New Primary Supervisor. Dr. McNeir made a motion to approve the request. Dr. Souheaver seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Heather Rhodes submitted a Supervision Agreement and Plan indicating Dr. Richard Moore as her New Primary Supervisor. Dr. Souheaver made a motion to approve the request. Dr. Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Elizabeth Stout submitted a Supervision Agreement and Plan indicating Dr. Josette Cline as his New Primary Supervisor. Dr. Fowler made a motion to approve the request. Dr. Souheaver seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Recess/Reconvene

The Board recessed for Oral Exams, Credential Reviews, and Quarterly Reports 1:15 pm.
The Board reconvened at 2:35 pm.

CREDENTIAL REVIEW

The Credential Review Committee made a fully seconded motion to approve the following credentials.

1. Dr. Melissa Dannacher's credentials were submitted to the Board for consideration as an Applicant Psychologist.
2. Dr. Jason Fairman's credentials were submitted to the Board for consideration as an Applicant Psychologist.
3. Dr. Jennifer Hixson's credentials were submitted to the Board for consideration as an Applicant Psychologist.
4. Dr. Michael Marsden's credentials were submitted to the Board for consideration as an Applicant Psychologist.
5. Dr. Richard Sylvester's credentials were submitted to the Board for consideration as an Applicant Psychologist.
6. Dr. Ashlie Williams's credentials were submitted to the Board for consideration as an Applicant Psychologist.

The Board approved all credential review candidates.

Mr. John-Scott Kelley's credentials were submitted to the Board for consideration as a Technician Registration. Dr. Souheaver made a motion to deny the application on the basis that Mr. Kelley's transcript did not indicate his degree. Dr. Kleitsch seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Quarterly Reports

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

1. Dr. Richard Barrett's Quarterly Report for the period of May 6, 2014 – July 9, 2014.
2. Ms. Hilary Casner's Quarterly Reports for the period of May 16, 2014 – August 19, 2014.
3. Ms. Elizabeth Chaisson's Quarterly Report for the period of April 1, 2014 – June 30, 2014.

4. Mr. Andrew Cohen's Quarterly Report for the period of April 17, 2014 – July 17, 2014.

5. Ms. Micholyn Gayoso's Quarterly Report for the period of May 1, 2014 – July 31, 2014.

6. Dr. Deborah McLane's Quarterly Report for the period of April 1, 2014 – July 1, 2014.

The Board approved all quarterly reports.

ADJOURN

Dr. Fowler made a motion to adjourn. Dr. McNeir seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The Board adjourned at 2:45 PM.

Oral Exam Results September 19, 2014

Bucolo, Elizabeth - passed at the Psychologist level with no restrictions.

Cohorn, Ron - passed at the Psychologist level with no restrictions.

Mackler, Jennifer - passed at the Psychologist level with no restrictions.

Novick-Brown, Natalie - passed at the Psychologist level with no restrictions.

Terrell, Jeff - passed at the Psychologist level with no restrictions.

Wyma, John - passed at the Psychologist level with no restrictions.