

Board of Psychology

August 14, 2015

**Woolfolk Building
Jackson, Mississippi**

Karen Christoff, Ph.D.	Executive Secretary	2011-2016
Joe Olmi, Ph.D.	Treasurer	2012-2017
John Askew, Ph.D.	CE Coordinator	2013-2018
Jefferson, Parker, Ph.D.	Credentialing Coordinator	2010-2015
Donald Hinton, Esq.	Chair	2012-2017
Lisa Yazdani, Ph.D.	Recording Secretary	2014-2019
Patricia P. Alexander, Ph.D		2012-2018

Also Present:

Jeff Jernigan, Esq.	Board Attorney
Hy Crocker	Board Administrator
C. Nina Jannik, Ph.D.	Board Assistant
Mardi, Allen, Ph.D.	Board Consultant

Not Present;

Onetta Whitley, Esq.	Board Attorney
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Call To Order:

Mr. Hinton called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. He asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Dr. Parker made a motion, seconded by Dr. Christoff made a motion that the agenda be accepted. The motion passed unanimously.

Acceptance of the Minutes:

A motion was made by Dr. Parker, seconded by Dr. Christoff to accept the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Dr. Christoff, seconded by Dr. Yazdani to consider the need to go into Executive Session to discuss applicants and any investigations. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Dr. Alexander, seconded by Dr. Christoff to go into Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously.

Actions taken in Executive Session:

Applicants

Jeff Jernigan introduced himself as a replacement for Ms. Whitley Board attorney.

A motion was made by Dr. Parker to approve the following individuals for Orals:

Candidate 04122015 with a request for a temporary license

Candidate 10012014

Candidate 03162015

Candidate 04282015

Candidate 08182014

Candidate 07062015

Candidate 05122015

Dr. Askew seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Dr. Parker made a motion that the following individuals be approved to take the EPPP:

Candidate 05082015–pending a clear background report

Candidate 02232015

Candidate 06232014

Candidate 10152014

Candidate 04202015

The motion was seconded by Dr. Christoff and passed unanimously. Dr. Parker noted that Candidate 02232015 background check is

missing and that Candidate 04202015 has a non APA internship and has been sent an attestation form.

Dr. Parker noted that Dr. Margaret Dawson, Dr. Oscar Barbarin, Dr. Julliette Schweitzer, and Dr. Lorna Shird, had no correspondence with the Board recently and made a motion to close their applications. The motion was seconded by Dr. Yazdani and passed unanimously.

A newly license psychologist, who had been issued a temporary license, questioned whether the date of licensure should be the date of her license. A motion was made by Dr. Christoff, seconded by Dr. Yazdani, to inform this psychologist that date that she passed the oral was the correct licensure date. The motion passed unanimously.

Investigations:

Mr. Jernigan reported that Dr. Stan Smith a licensed LPC attended a hearing in June that upheld the revocation of his license.

Dr. Christoff reported that she received an email inquiry about licensure from an individual who is taking an online doctoral program. A motion was made by Mr. Hinton, seconded by Dr. Parker that Dr. Christoff send an educational letter of caution. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Dr. Parker, seconded by Dr. Alexander that the Board exit Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously.

Continuing Education:

Dr. Askew reported that he has been carefully checking CEs activities for 2016 renewals. He is doing a 10% audit plus nine individuals who he believed had questionable CEs.

He had 7 renewals who had irregularities and advised them to provide explanation by September 30. Dr. Alexander made a motion, seconded by Dr. Yazdani to approve this action. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Askew has also reviewed the Board-approved CE provider Activity Reports for 2015 along with applications for providers of continuing professional education of psychologists from: VA Gulf Coast Health Care System, UMC/VA Psychology Training Consortium, University of Southern Mississippi, and Mississippi State Hospital. Dr. Askew made a motion, seconded by Dr. Alexander, to approve these providers. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

Ms Crocker informed the Board that the year-end reports are complete and Governor's report was examined. The Board noted some changes. Dr. Christoff made a motion, seconded by Dr. Olmi, to approve this with the noted changes

Civil Commitment:

A motion was made by Dr. Parker, seconded by Dr. Askew to approve the following individuals to take the Civil Commitment examination:

**Kara Boyer
Erin Denon
Pamela Jones
Christy Monaghan
Arazais Oliveros
Sheila Williamson
Ellen Sundberg
Rodney Wilson
Lisa Yazdani
Michael Nadorff**

The motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed Dr. McVaugh's suggestions for course requirements. A motion was made by Mr. Hinton, seconded by Dr. Yazdani that the format of the Civil Commitment Workshop will be thus: Those approved by the Board to take the course will attend the workshop and take the written exam on the same day. At a later

date, a performance sample via vignette and written report will complete the second portion of the training. Passage of both sections will result in a certificate in civil commitment. The motion passed unanimously

At a later date the Board will discuss other suggestions made by Dr. McVaugh on recertification and further requirements.

Other New Business:

The Board discussed some suggestions Ms. Crocker made concerning a new data system. She will investigate further and report to the Board.

The Board discussed the contract the Board has with Dr. Allen. A motion was made by Dr. Askew, seconded by Dr. Yazdani to approve the contract. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Dr. Christoff, seconded by Dr. Parker to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the Board adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectively submitted

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Lisa Yazdani

Dr. Lisa Yazdani

9/17/15

Date