

MISSISSIPPI BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

*Robert E Lee Building
Jackson Mississippi*

Board Meeting

March 1, 2013

Minutes

Members Present:

C. Gerald O'Brien, Ph.D.	Credentialing Coordinator	2009-2014
Philip Cooker, Ph.D.	CE Coordinator	2008-2013
Jefferson Parker, Ph.D.	Chair	2010-2015
Pamela Banks, Ph.D.	Treasurer	2007-2012
Karen Christoff, Ph.D.	Recording Secretary	2011-2016

Also Present:

Hy Crocker	Board Administrator
Mardi Allen, Ph.D.	Board Consultant

Not Present:

Angela J. Koestler, Ph.D.	Executive Secretary	2008-2013
Lloyd (Rob) Roberson	Lay Member	2007-2012

Chair's Call to Order:

Dr. Parker called the meeting to order at 12:26 p.m. He asked if there were any changes or additions to the agenda. A motion was made by Dr. Christoff to accept the agenda. The motion was seconded by Dr. O'Brien and passed with Dr. Koestler and Mr. Roberson absent and not voting.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Dr. Cooker, seconded by Dr. Christoff to accept the minutes from the February 8, 2013 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Dr. Koestler and Mr. Roberson absent and not voting.

A motion was made by Dr. Christoff, seconded by Dr. O'Brien to consider going into Executive Session to discuss applications and investigations. The motion passed unanimously with Dr. Koestler and Mr. Roberson absent and not voting.

Proposed Changes to Rules and Regulations

Dr. O'Brien referred the Board to proposed changes to the Rules and Regulations relevant to the definition of an appropriate internship experience. Dr. Parker moved that the Board accept the proposed changes and file them for public comment at the earliest convenience of the Board Administrator. The motion was seconded by Dr. Cooker and passed unanimously with Dr. Koestler and Mr. Roberson absent and not voting.

RULE 6.3: STANDARDS FOR DEFINING THE INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE.

The internship must be accredited by the APA or the CPA, except as noted below. The internship shall be appropriate to the applicant's graduate training specialization.

Programs working toward accreditation must have an active application with APA or CPA at the time the intern completed the program or within two years of the applicant's completion of the program. The names of programs that have submitted application for accreditation, and the status of the applications, are available from the APA and the CPA.

The internship consists of a minimum of 2000 hours of supervised experience and must be completed within a two year period. Full time interns shall receive a minimum of four hours of supervision per week, at least two hours of which will include individual supervision. Other individual or group supervision will be provided when necessary as determined by the Training Director or primary supervisor.

The internship shall be in a setting or settings that, in the aggregate, provide both a broad spectrum of psychological services, and serve a varied clientele. Such a setting should provide experiences that include a variety of diagnostic categories and intervention orientations, supervision by licensed psychologists, and opportunity for consultation and program development.

The ratio of supervision time to direct service time should be sufficient to ensure adequate learning; namely, at least two hours per week of formal, face-to-face individual supervision.

Supervision consists of direct, formal contact with a senior professional who is responsible for the educational development and guidance of the trainee or supervisee. Class work, practicum experience or other course related experience may not be counted as part of the required supervision.

Supervision must be for the direct provision of psychological services by the applicant to individuals or groups of clients/patients. An applicant's own personal growth experience, personal therapy or encounter groups, may not be counted as part of the required supervision experience. The supervision of others may not be counted as part of the required supervision experience.

Supervisors must meet the following criteria:

- A. The supervisor must be employed for no less than twelve (12) hours per week at the facility where the internship experience is obtained; or, if this is not possible due to practical considerations, the applicant must provide evidence of the supervisor's contractual relationship with the facility. In either event, the supervisor must be available for supervision and consultation at any time during the supervisee's work week.
- B. Supervisors must be licensed for practice of psychology in the jurisdiction where the supervision is provided.

- C. The professional qualifications of each direct supervisor must be appropriate to the services rendered.
- D. The supervisor, at the time of supervision, must not be in a dual relationship with the supervisee;
- E. The supervisor must have sufficient knowledge of all clients for whom supervision is provided, including face-to-face contact with the client when necessary, to effectively develop and monitor service delivery procedures and the supervisee's treatment plan.

If the internship is not APA or CPA accredited, it must:

1. Meet all other criteria as defined in Section 6.3 above, and
2. Be specifically submitted to and approved by the Board on a case-by-case basis.

A motion was made by Dr. O'Brien, seconded by Dr. Parker to go into Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously with Dr. Koestler and Mr. Roberson absent and not voting.

Actions Taken in Executive Session:

Applications:

Orals

On a motion by Dr. O'Brien and seconded by Dr. Christoff, the following individuals who took orals on February 8 will be scheduled for reexamination immediately prior to the April meeting of the Board

Applicant #10072011

Applicant #11082012

And, the following individual is recommended for Orals at the next scheduled administration on May 3, 2013:

Christopher Brophy *

The motion passed unanimously with Dr. Koestler and Mr. Roberson absent and not voting.

EPPP

On a motion by Dr. O'Brien and seconded by Dr. Parker, the following individual will be allowed to take the EPPP:

Walter Ware

The motion was seconded by Dr. Parker and passed unanimously with Dr. Koestler and Mr. Roberson absent and not voting.

Temporary Practice Certificates

Dr. O'Brien informed the Board that Temporary Practice Certificates have been issued to the following Psychologists who hold licenses to practice Psychology in other jurisdictions:

Mark Douglas Cunningham – Texas

Stanley Leon Brodsky – Alabama

Complaints

Case 03012012 is still ongoing at this time.

Case 07162012 is still ongoing at this time

Case 04162012 an educational letter with no clear evidence of an ethical violation found was presented to the Board by the Investigative Committee. Dr. Christoff moved, and Dr. Cooker seconded a motion to accepted letter with amendments and to close case with no action taken. This motion passed unanimously with Dr. Koestler and Mr. Roberson absent and not voting.

Dr. O'Brien moved and Dr. Cooker seconded a motion to exit Executive Session. This motion passed unanimously with Dr. Koestler and Mr. Roberson absent and not voting.

New Business:

Ms. Crocker informed the Board that she has been working with website services on an update to the Board website that will allow her to accept credit cards and process renewals online.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Dr. O'Brien seconded by Dr. Cooker and passed unanimously, with Dr. Koestler and Mr. Roberson absent and not voting. Meeting was adjourned at 12:52 p.m.

Next Board Meeting will be held on April 5 at the Woolfolk Building in Jackson, MS.

Karen Christoff, Recording Secretary

Date