

February 17, 2017

Woolfolk Building
Room 207
Jackson, Mississippi

Board Members Present:

Don Hinton, Esq.	Chair	2012-2017
Patricia Alexander, Ph.D.	Executive Secretary	2012-2018
Joe Olmi, Ph.D.	Treasurer	2012-2017
John Askew, Ph.D.	CE Coordinator	2013-2018
Lisa Yazdani, Ph.D.	Recording Secretary	2014-2019
Natalie Gaughf, Ph.D.	Credentialing Coordinator	2016-2021
Steve Ellis, Ph.D.	Member	2016-2021

Also Present:

Onetta Whitley, Esq.	Assistant Attorney General
Helen Crocker	Board Administrator
Mardi Allen, Ph.D.	Board Consultant

Call to Order

At 9:09 a.m., Dr. Alexander called the meeting to order and asked for any amendments to the agenda. There were two additions: CE Approval for a program and ASPPB mid-year and annual meetings.

Approval of Minutes:

Dr. Yazdani made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ellis, to approve the minutes of the January 20, 2017 meeting. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Yazdani, made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ellis, to approve the minutes of the February, 2, 2017 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Askew made motion, seconded by Dr. Ellis, to consider going into executive session to discuss orals and complaints. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Ellis made a motion, seconded by Dr. Gaughf, to go into executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

Actions taken in Executive Sessions

Mr. Hinton reported that Candidate 08292015 was approved to sit for the EPPP;

Candidate 09212016 was approved for a temporary license and to sit for orals on April 7, 2017.

Candidate 10132016 approved for temporary license and to sit for orals, pending clarification of his internship accreditation status.

Monthly Financial Reports:

Dr. Olmi stated that there was nothing irregular about the monthly charges and reimbursements. The annual appropriation recommendation is a reduced to \$ 117,000 from the \$124,000 requested.

Regarding SB2625 & HB0887: The Autism Board will most likely become the administrative responsibility of the Board of Psychology. Funding for the Autism Board's expenses will be transferred from the state's general funds to the Board of Psychology to cover the administrative functioning of the Autism Board; however, they would remain an independent board.

At the next meeting, we need to realign our budget to meet the new appropriation. Dr. Olmi will discuss this with Ms. Crocker and Ms. Denise De Rossette.

Finalizing the Rules and Regulations:

The Board reviewed the proposed changes to the Rules and Regulations. Final edits were made through Rule 6. At the next meeting, the remainder of the Rules and Regulations will undergo final edits at the next meeting of the Board.

Discussion of Board Member training for March 10, 2017:

Dr. Alex Siegel from ASPPB and Ms. Onetta Whitley will provide Board training from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and MPA Executive Council and will be invited to attend.

Discussion of Civil Commitment Training:

Dr. Ellis gave an update. The Civil Commitment Training will be offered at the MPA Annual Convention. There will need to be at least 4 registered in order to hold the training. There will be a standard fee assessed. The format will be 4 hours with examination.

New Business:

Discussion of attending the ASPPB mid-year and annual meetings. The Memphis mid-year meeting seems reasonable, given the relatively low cost and the benefit of attending. However, traveling to Hawaii for an annual meeting in October is highly expensive. It was discussed that using Board money to attend would not be considered good stewardship of Board money. Therefore, the consensus was that unless someone were to receive an award and have some of the cost of attending compensated, then the board will not attend the Hawaii meeting/training.

Dr Askew discussed a request from Thomas H. Mosley to approve CE credit from a non-APA CE Provider. The Board concurred with his decision for credit.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for March 10th.

Dr. Gaughf made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dr. Ellis. This motion passed unanimously. The Board adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature on file

Lisa Yazdani, Ph.D.

Recording Secretary

Date: March 10, 2017