

June 16, 2017  
Woolfolk Building  
Jackson, Mississippi

Board Members Present:

Patricia Alexander, Ph.D.	Executive Secretary	2012-2018
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:

Helen Crocker	Board Administrator
Mardi Allen, Ph.D.	Board Consultant
Karen Christoff, Ph.D.	Assistant to Board Administrator
Driscoll DeVaul, RRT	Visitor
Denise De Rossette	Financial Officer

Not Present:

Joe Olmi, Ph.D.	Treasurer	2012-2017
Don Hinton, Esq.	Chair	2012-2017
Onetta Whitley, Esq.	Assistant Attorney General	

Call to Order

Dr. Alexander called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Amendments to the Agenda:

Dr Allen asked to move the discussion of MPA presentation to earlier on the agenda.

Approval of Minutes:

Dr Yazdani moved that April 7<sup>th</sup> minutes be approved pending updates as discussed. The motion was seconded by Dr. Ellis and passed unanimously with Drs. Olmi and Askew, and Mr. Hinton absent and not voting.

Dr. Yazdani moved that the May 5<sup>th</sup> minutes be approved pending updates as discussed. The motion was seconded by Dr. Ellis and passed unanimously with Drs. Olmi and Askew and Mr. Hinton absent and not voting.

Dr. Yazdani announced that the wrong copy of the February 17<sup>th</sup> minutes had been posted to the website. A draft, rather than the final approved minutes, had been posted. This will be corrected.

#### Executive Session:

Dr. Gaughf made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ellis, to consider closing the meeting to go into executive session. The motion carried with Drs. Olmi and Askew, and Mr. Hinton absent and not voting.

Dr. Ellis made a motion, seconded by Dr. Gaughf to consider going into executive session to discuss applications and complaints. The motion carried with Drs. Olmi and Askew, and Mr. Hinton absent and not voting.

Dr. Askew joined the meeting.

#### Actions Taken During Executive Session:

Dr. Ellis made a motion, seconded by Dr. Yazdani, to approve Candidate 05232017 to sit for the EPPP. Motion carried with Drs. Olmi, Askew, and Mr. Hinton absent and not voting.

Dr. Ellis made a motion, seconded by Dr. Alexander, to approve candidates 06292015 and 05032017 to take the oral examination. Motion carried with Drs. Olmi, Askew, and Mr. Hinton absent and not voting.

A letter will be sent to Candidate 06282014 regarding the status of candidate's license application.

#### License Renewals:

Dr Askew reported that approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$  of those renewing have done so online. Certificates will ultimately need to be scanned and entered. We will continue to offer a 90-day extension to licensees who are unable to submit their accurate reports of CE activities by the June 30 deadline.

### Discussion of MPA Presentations:

The Board reviewed the submission for presentation at the Mississippi Psychological Association meeting in September and discussed the formation of a task force in conjunction with the MPA legislative representatives to work on changes to the licensing statutes.

### Rules and Regulations:

The Board reviewed the final draft of the revisions to the Rules and Regulations and discussed the comments of our Deputy Attorney General. Dr. Gaughf moved that the final document be posted on the Board portal to be reviewed by everyone and comments sent back to Hy by Wednesday June 21, this motion was seconded by Dr. Ellis and passed unanimously with Dr. Olmi and Mr. Hinton absent and not voting.

Dr. Yazdani made a motion, seconded by Dr. Askew, to modify the TPC application to add additional questions regarding conduct and legal history similar to those used in the PLUS system. Motion carried with Dr. Olmi and Mr. Hinton absent and not voting.

### Proposed Statute Changes:

The Board continued to work on technical changes believed to be necessary for consistency and clarity.

### Financial Reports:

Denise De Rossette presented budget information for FY17 (ending June 30, 2017) and next year FY18 (beginning July1, 2017) and discussed additional equipment needs. Dr. Yazdani made a motion for the Board to purchase laptops for Board members to use to conduct Board business. Motion carried with Drs. Olmi and Mr. Hinton absent and not voting.

### Contracts Approved:

Cornerstone Consulting was increased from \$450/month to \$500/month with additional year-end work \$750. Prosonotech will back up data for additional \$600/year and scan files into the database for \$500/year (per verbal agreement with Hy). The contract indicates they charge \$600/year for annual maintenance. Dr. Yazdani made a motion to approve the Prosonotech contract and the Cornerstone contract, Dr.

Askew seconded. Motion carried with Drs. Olmi and Mr. Hinton absent and not voting.

Board Administrator contract: After extensive discussion with Ms. Crocker, Dr. Askew made a motion to approve the two-year contract as she proposed, Dr. Ellis seconded. Motion carried with Drs. Olmi and Mr. Hinton absent and not voting.

Dr. Ellis made a motion that the Board conduct an annual performance evaluation of the Board Administrator, Dr. Askew seconded. Motion carried with Drs. Olmi and Mr. Hinton absent and not voting.

At the October 6<sup>th</sup> meeting, we will work on objectives, performance evaluation for Board Administrator and improving efficiency of the Board will be added to agenda.

Elections:

Dr. Yazdani made a motion that Dr. Askew serve as the new Chair, Dr. Ellis seconded. Motion carried with Dr. Olmi and Mr. Hinton absent and not voting.

Dr. Yazdani made a motion that Dr. Alexander continue serving as the Executive Secretary, Dr. Gaughf seconded. Motion carried with Dr. Olmi, and Mr. Hinton absent and not voting.

Dr. Ellis reported that three (3) psychologists are interested in Civil Commitment training. Dr. Gaughf made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dr. Askew. This motion passed unanimously with Dr. Olmi and Mr. Hinton absent and not voting. The Board adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Next Board meeting is scheduled for August 4, 2017 with Orals.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lisa Yazdani, Ph.D.  
Recording Secretary

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Date