

September 21, 2017  
Golden Nugget Casino  
Biloxi, Mississippi

Board Attendance:	Present	Absent
<u>John Askew, Ph.D., Chair and Continuing Education Coordinator</u> <u>2013-2018</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Patricia Alexander, Ph.D., Executive Secretary</u> <u>2013-2018</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Steve Ellis, Ph.D., Civil Commitment Coordinator</u> <u>2016-2021</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Natalie Gaughf, Ph.D., Credentialing Coordinator</u> <u>2016-2021</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Patrick Phelan, O.D., Public Member</u> <u>2017-2022</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Monica Sutton, Ph.D., Treasurer</u> <u>2017-2022</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Lisa Yazdani, Ph.D., Recording Secretary</u> <u>2014-2019</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Also, Present

Helen Crocker	Board Administrator
Mardi Allen, Ph.D.	Board Consultant
Karen Christoff, Ph.D.	Assistant to Board Administrator

Members of the Mississippi Psychological Association

Call to Order

At 4:42 p.m., Dr. Askew called the meeting to order and asked for amendments to the agenda. An amendment was added of the election of a new Treasurer.

Old Business

Ms. Crocker recognized the two outgoing members of the Board, Dr. Joe Olmi and Don Hinton, Jr, Esq., and presented Dr. Olmi with a gift from the Board.

## New Business

There was none.

## Demonstration/Discussion of the New Data System

Dr. Askew led a discussion of the new data system and entertained questions from the audience.

Dr. Alexander moved and Dr. Ellis seconded a motion to close the open meeting and consider the need for Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously by those in attendance.

Dr. Alexander moved that the Board go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of applications, candidates for orals, and review of complaints. The motion was seconded by Dr. Yazdani and passed unanimously by those in attendance.

MPA members left the room.

## Actions Taken in Executive Session

### File Closing

The application file for Candidate 07282017 has been closed at his request.

### Next Administration of Orals

Candidates 06162017 and 02012017 were approved to sit for Oral Examinations at the next administration.

The Board agreed to allow candidate 05232017 to delay retaking of the Oral Examinations until the November administration of the Exams.

### Temporary Practice Certificate

Ms. Crocker reported that she has issued a Temporary Practice Certificate to Dr. Colin Muething.

### Approval of August 4, 2017, and September 8, 2017, Minutes

Dr. Askew moved that the August and September minutes be approved as amended. The motion was seconded by Dr. Ellis and passed unanimously by those in attendance.

### Process and Format for Future Minutes

The Board discussed the format and process of minutes for future meetings. It was agreed that minutes would be taken by staff and sent to the Recording Secretary for her review and edits. She will then return her edited version to Ms. Crocker for distribution to all Board members. Dr. Ellis made a motion to this effect that was seconded by Dr. Phelan and passed unanimously by those in attendance.

Future minutes will show motions to go into Executive Session immediately followed by the actions taken and the closing of executive session will appear only at the end of the Executive Session.

### Election of Treasurer

Dr. Gaughf moved that Dr. Sutton serve as Treasurer. This was seconded by Dr. Ellis and passed unanimously by those in attendance. Dr. Sutton agreed to serve in this capacity.

### Adjournment

At 6:50 pm., Dr. Alexander moved that the meeting be adjourned. Dr. Ellis seconded the motion which passed unanimously by those in attendance.

Next Board Meeting with Oral examination will be October 6, 2017.

On File \_\_\_\_\_  
Recording Secretary

October 6, 2017 \_\_\_\_\_  
Date