



Minutes
Arkansas Psychology Board
101 East Capitol, Suite 415
Board Meeting
February 21, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

The Arkansas Psychology Board meeting was called to order by the Chair of the Board, Dr. Edward Kleitsch, at 10:23 AM.

ROLL CALL

Board members present: Dr. Joyce Fowler, Ms. Marcia Fuller, Dr. Art Gillaspy and Dr. Edward Kleitsch.

Dr. Lisa Fitzgibbons was present via telephone.

Staff members present: Director Susan Cooper and Ms. Brandi Thompson.

Mr. Joe West was present as the Board's Attorney General's representative.

Dr. Betty Everett was excused.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. Gillaspy made a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Fuller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF PAST MINUTES

Dr. Gillaspy made a motion to approve the January 17, 2020 minutes as amended. Ms. Fuller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORT FROM THE COMPLAINT COMMITTEE

The Complaint Committee made a recommendation to accept the signed Consent Agreement and send a warning letter to the Respondent of Case number 19-05 reminding them the use of hypnosis for psychological issues requires a license by the Board. Dr. Fowler made a motion to accept the recommendation. Dr. Gillaspy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Complaint Committee made a recommendation to accept the signed Consent Agreement of Case number 19-06. It stipulates that the Respondent may apply for licensure as a new applicant. Dr. Fowler, Ms. Cooper and Dr. West went off the record at 10:37am and resumed at 10:45am. Dr. Fowler recused herself. Dr. Gillaspy made a motion to accept the recommendation. Dr. Fitzgibbons seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Complaint Committee made a recommendation to accept the signed Consent Agreement for Case number 19-07. Dr. Gillaspy made a motion to accept the recommendation. Dr. Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board will have a complaint hearing on March 20, 2020.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

No report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Dr. Fowler made a motion to table the Treasurer's report. Ms. Fuller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Cooper reported the following:

1. The progress and changes of the website, developed by McMann State Solutions, regarding the renewal process and workflow. Dr. Gillaspy made a motion to continue to post the Consent Agreements on the new website. Ms. Fuller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Begin renewals and attestations on May 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020.
3. The appropriations for salary and benefits was reviewed and approved by PEER in February.
4. The discussion of Conversion Therapy being addressed by other Psychology Boards in the US and Canada.
5. Completion of the Control Self-Assessment for ADH review.
6. The Psychological Examiner licensee projections for future income.
7. ASPPB's consideration of changing CPQ requirements. Dr. Gillaspy will construct a letter to ASPPB.
8. ASPPB is taking nominations for Board members and awardees.

Dr. Nathaniel Smith, MD, MPH, Secretary of The Arkansas Department of Health attended to answer questions regarding the transition.

RECESS/RECONVENE

The Board recessed at 11:45am for lunch, credential reviews, oral exam and Quarterly reports.

The Board reconvened at 12:57pm.

NEW BUSINESS

Topics of Discussion

Neuropsychology Inquiry

Dr. Seth Sorensen submitted inquiries regarding Neuropsychology. Dr. Gillaspay made a motion to table the inquiries and Dr. Fowler advised for Dr. Everett to contact Dr. Sorensen to present his inquiries in person for clarification. Ms. Fuller seconded the motion.

EPPP2 Critique

Dr. Kleitsch submitted information regarding the EPPP2. The Board recommends removing EPPP wording from our revised rules after the promulgation comment period. Also, send the Louisiana Psychology Board's EPPP2 letter to the Board members for review.

Completion of 3,000 hours

Ms. Kristal Caldwell submitted her completion of 3,000 hours toward Licensed Psychological Examiner-Independent status, along with a Statement of Intent. Ms. Fuller made a motion to grant Independent status. Dr. Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Licensee Inquiry

Ms. Lana Dillon submitted an inquiry regarding ability to perform any Level B testing without supervision. Dr. Gillaspay made a motion to advise Ms. Dillon when practicing as a Licensed Psychological Examiner she must follow APB Rules and Regulations and will need supervision. If practicing as a License Professional Counselor, she should refer to the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling. Dr. Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Neuropsychology Annual Report

Dr. Mara Wood submitted an Annual Report and documentation to add Neuropsychology to her Statement of Intent. Ms. Fuller recused herself. Dr. Fowler made a motion to approve the report. Dr. Gillaspay seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Reinstatement of Licensure

Ms. Dale Engelberg submitted a request to reinstate her license to active status. Dr. Gillaspay made a motion to approve the request. Ms. Fuller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Statement of Intent

Mr. Bruce Cohen submitted a revised Statement of Intent adding telepsychology. Dr. Fowler made a motion to approve his Statement of Intent and remind Dr. Cohen to be cognizant of the Arkansas Telemedicine Act, which supersedes the APB Rules and Regulations. Dr. Gillaspay seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Cheryl Smith submitted a request to schedule the April Oral Exam at 2:00pm, a revised Statement of Intent to add telehealth, and inquired whether her Provisional License in Arkansas will cover online services. Dr. Fowler made a motion to approve the 2:00pm Exam/Interview, the Statement of Intent and to inform Dr. Smith that use of online therapy is limited to patients within the confines of Arkansas consistent with the Arkansas Telemedicine Act and the APA telepsychology guidelines. Ms. Fuller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Status

Dr. Rebecca Spohn submitted an application and documentation for Supervisory status. Dr. Gillaspay made a motion to approve the request. Ms. Fuller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Supervision Agreement and Plan

Dr. Alexis Elmore submitted a revised Supervision Agreement and Plan to remove 1 hour of in-person weekly supervision with Dr. Courtney Crutchfield. Dr. Gillaspay made a motion to approve the SAP. Ms. Fuller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Kelcey Puskiewicz submitted a Supervision Agreement and Plan to add Dr. Rebecca Spohn as her Secondary supervisor. Dr. Fowler made a motion to approve the SAP. Ms. Fuller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Supervision Inquiry

Mr. Matthew Sutton submitted a request for the Board to accept his supervision hours as counted toward his accrual of 3,000 hours for Independent status. Dr. Gillaspay made a motion to deny his request due to not following the Supervision Agreement and Plan to meet face-to-face weekly. The Board suggested that Mr. Sutton and his supervisor calculate the number of hours of face-to-face supervision accrued to determine how many hours he can claim. Dr. Fitzgibbons seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CREDENTIAL REVIEWS

The Credential Review Committee made a fully seconded motion to approve the following credentials:

1. Dr. Kristi Mannon's credentials were submitted to the Board for consideration as an Applicant Psychologist-Provisional Licensee.
2. Dr. Jon Nolan's credentials were submitted to the Board for consideration as an Applicant Psychologist-Provisional Licensee.
3. Dr. Robert Coben and Dr. Anne Stevens submitted credentials for Ms. Kori Trotter to the Board for consideration as a Neuropsychological Technician.

The motion passed unanimously.

QUARTERLY REPORTS

The Credential Review Committee made a fully seconded motion to approve the following Quarterly Report form(s):

1. Dr. Jean Devenny - Quarterly Report for the period of December 12, 2019 – February 20, 2020, with the clarification from supervisor stating all hours were face-to-face.
2. Dr. Alexis Elmore's - Quarterly Report for the period of November 7, 2019 – February 8, 2020.
3. Dr. Sarah Lindeman-Root's - Quarterly Report for the period of November 4, 2019 - January 26, 2020.
4. Dr. Kelcey Puskiewicz's - Quarterly Report for the period of August 1, 2019 – January 31, 2020.
5. Dr. Lauren Quetsch's - Quarterly Report for the period of November 16, 2019 – February 14, 2020.
6. Dr. Michael Watson, II - Quarterly Report for the period of October 19, 2019 – January 19, 2020.

The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Gillaspay made a motion to adjourn at 3:29pm. Dr. Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Oral Exam Results

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Dr. Jean Devenny, Ph.D. – passed at the Psychologist level with no restrictions.