

**TENNESSEE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN PSYCHOLOGY
MINUTES**

DATE: May 21, 2009

TIME: 9:00 a.m., CST

LOCATION: Health Related Boards
Iris Room
227 French Landing, Suite 150
Nashville, TN 37243

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: Patrick Lavin, Ph.D., Vice Chair
David Caye, MS, Sr. PE
Mark Sigler, Ph.D., Sr. PE
Evelyn Kemp, Psy.D.
Anita Davis, Ph.D.
Brenda Hunter, Public Member
Susan Strickler, Ph.D.
Jeffrey Erickson, Ph.D.

BOARD MEMBERS

ABSENT: Janice Martin, Ph.D., Chair

STAFF PRESENT:

Melody Spitznas, Board Administrator
Elizabeth Miller, Director of Health Related Boards
Barbara Maxwell, Administrative Director
Christopher Larkin, Advisory Attorney
Juanita Stone, Disciplinary Coordinator

OTHERS ATTENDING:

Murphy Thomas, Ph.D., TCAF
Dr. Brian Wind, TCAF
William Lokey, Psychological Examiner #11544

Dr. Lavin, Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A quorum was present.

Minutes

Dr. Kemp made a motion, seconded by Dr. Davis, to approve the January 29 – 20, 2009 minutes with corrections. The motion carried.

Office of General Counsel Report/Conflict of Interest

Mr. Larkin reviewed the Conflict of Interest asking the Board members to disclose any conflict of interest they may have prior to contested cases or any other legal proceedings or matters to determine if there is a conflict of interest.

Mr. Larkin reviewed the Office of General Counsel report and stated there are two (2) Orders of Compliance to be presented at this meeting.

Mr. Larkin announced he has a new supervisor, Deputy General Counsel, Ashley Carter, who practiced law in New Orleans, LA for twenty (20) years.

Election of Officers

Dr. Strickler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Caye, to nominate Dr. Lavin as Chair of the Board of Examiners in Psychology. The motion carried.

Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Kemp, to nominate Mr. Caye as Vice-Chair of the Board of Examiners in Psychology. The motion carried.

Investigative Report

In the Office of Investigations, there are currently thirty-two (32) open cases pertaining to psychologists. Sixteen (16) are pending first review and nine (9) are pending second review. There are three (3) cases open regarding psychological examiners.

Disciplinary Report

Three (3) licensees were removed from the disciplinary tracking list due to compliance with Board Orders.

Mr. Larkin presented the Board with a Consent Order regarding Kathryn Rebecca Hall Taylor, Psychological Examiner License #1601 as follows:

- 1) Contact the Tennessee Colleague Assistance Foundation (TCAF) for consultation regarding boundary matters in clinical practice.
- 2) Enroll in a six (6) hour American Psychological Association (APA) approved continuing education course in ethics and risk management.
- 3) Join a professional organization related to her area of professional practice.
- 4) Should Ms. Taylor fail to complete the terms, the license will be placed on probation for one (1) year and she will be in violation of the Board's Order.

Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Caye, to accept the Consent Order. The motion carried.

William Lokey, Psychological Examiner #11544 was present to address the Board concerning an Order of Compliance. Ms. Stone informed the Board that Mr. Lokey had complied with the

terms of his Consent Order. Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Davis, to accept the Order of Compliance. The motion carried.

Mr. Larkin presented the Board with an Order of Compliance regarding Ari L. Holtz, Ph.D., Psychologist License # 2595. Ms. Stone informed the Board that Dr. Holtz complied with the terms of his Consent Order. Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Caye, to accept the Order of Compliance. The motion carried.

Financial Report

Ms. Spitznas reviewed the financial report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, stating the Board has a surplus of \$42,769.52.

Tennessee Colleague Assistance Foundation (TCAF)

Drs. Murphy Thomas and Brian Wind were recognized by the Board chair to present an annual report to the Board regarding the Tennessee Colleague Assistance Foundation (TCAF). Dr. Wind informed the Board that the Tennessee Psychological Association (TPA) donated \$1200 to assist in TCAF's endeavors. Dr. Wind stated that year one (1) has been a fantastic year for TCAF and he looks forward to year two (2). Dr. Thomas addressed the Board by stating there are two (2) areas in Tennessee that he would like to gain more exposure to TCAF – Memphis and Chattanooga. Dr. Thomas also stated that TCAF would like to increase Dr. Wind's salary next year.

Dr. Thomas drafted a set of policies and procedures regarding issues that are not currently being dealt with such as sexual and behavioral boundaries in addition to alcohol and drug addictions. Dr. Thomas wants to make the policies available and clear to the public that they are Board approved. Dr. Thomas stated the number one priority is to prevent boundary violations.

Administrative Report

From January 21, 2009, to May 6, 2009, twelve (12) new psychologists, six (6) senior psychological examiner upgrades and two certified psychological assistant applications were received. As of May 6, 2009, there are currently 1,315 actively licensed psychologists, 552 psychological examiners (which include senior psychological examiners) and 12 certified psychological assistants.

Twenty (20) Agreed Citations were mailed as a result on the 2006/2007 continuing education audit.

Ms. Miller stated a delegate and staff member should attend the ASPPB meeting in Idaho in October 2009. Dr. Lavin stated he would like Mr. Caye to attend this meeting. Ms. Miller stated she is interested in attending as well. Dr. Kemp made a motion, seconded by Dr. Davis, for Mr. Caye and Ms. Miller to attend the ASPPB meeting in October 2009. The motion carried.

The following fourteen (14) applicants took and successfully passed the Board's ethics and jurisprudence examination:

Kenith L. Robins, Ph.D.

J. Gayle Beck, Ph.D.

Colleen Denise Mitchell, Ph.D.

James L. Campbell, Ph.D.

Teresa K. Cook, Ph.D.

Robert E. Huston, Ph.D.

Bradley Scott Folley, Ph.D.

Roger De Beus, Ph.D.

Erin B. Vasconcelles, Ph.D.

Lanny Bolling, Psy.D.

Summers K. McMurray, Psy.D.

Katherine Veazey Morris, Ph.D.

Suzanne Bailey, Psy.D.

Parrish Paul, Ph.D.

Other Board Business

Dr. Martin had asked that the issue of unlicensed practice in community health centers be placed on the agenda for this meeting. Mr. Larkin stated that the Board has no jurisdiction and that the Tennessee Department of Mental Health rules allow non-licensed persons to work in mental health centers. No further action was taken by the Board regarding this issue.

The Board discussed supervision via videoconferencing. Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Dr. Strickler, that no more than fifty percent (50%) of supervision shall be done via videoconference. The motion carried. A roll call vote was conducted and all members voted in the affirmative.

The Board tabled the issue of international graduates until the September 2009 Board meeting. Mr. Caye agreed to send an email via the ASPPB's ListServ as to how other states handle this issue and will bring results to the September Board meeting.

Ratify Newly Licensed

Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Strickler, to approve the following newly licensed psychologists with health service provider designation:

June Gayle Beck, Ph.D.

Lanny C. Bolling, Psy.D.

James Lloyd Campbell, Ph.D.

Teresa Kay Cook, Psy.D.

Roger Johannes De Beus, Ph.D.

Gina M. Delgado, Ph.D.

Bradley S. Folley, Ph.D.

Traci A. Golbach, Ph.D.
Robert E. Huston, Ph.D.
Colleen D. Mitchell, Ph.D.
Kenith L. Robins, Ph.D.
Mark A. Tichon, Ph.D.
Erin B. Vasconcelles, Ph.D.
Stephanie N. Vaughn, Psy.D.

The motion carried.

Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sigler, to approve the following newly licensed certified psychological assistant:

Denice S. Woodie

The motion carried.

Ratify Reinstatements

Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Strickler, to approve the following reinstated psychologists:

Carol Jordan, Ph.D.
Kiesa G. Kelly, Ph.D.
Thomas Sajwaj, Ph.D.
Jeffrey E. Condit, Ph.D.

The motion carried.

Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sigler, to approve the following reinstated psychological examiners:

April R. Rainey, PE
Dr. Gary K. Sturgill, Sr. PE

The motion carried.

Written Examination

Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hunter, to ratify the following EPPP examination results:

Colleen D. Mitchell, Ph.D.	Pass
Suzanne Bailey, Psy.D.	Pass
Teresa Cook, Ph.D.	Pass
Katherine Veazey Morris, Ph.D.	Pass

Lanny Bolling, Psy.D.	Pass
Bradley S. Folley, Ph.D.	Pass
Monicah Muhomba, Ph.D.	Pass
Parrish Paul, Ph.D.	Pass
Erin Vasconcelles, Ph.D.	Pass
Ashley Pineda, Ph.D.	Pass
Chad R. Sims, Ph.D.	Pass
Vickie Woosley, Psy.D.	Fail
Ana Mercedes Carmona, Ph.D.	Fail
Angela Sallie, Psy.D.	Fail
Vickie Woosley, Psy.D.	Fail
Kristen Yanchak, Ph.D.	Fail

The motion carried.

Correspondence

The Board reviewed a letter dated January 28, 2009 from **Cynthia Day**, licensed PE requesting supervision by a senior psychological examiner, as she is unable to find a licensed psychologist to supervise her. The Board asked Ms. Spitznas to send Ms. Day a letter suggesting she contact the Nashville Area Psychological Association (NAPA), Tennessee Colleague Assistance Foundation (TCAF) or, the Tennessee Psychological Association, for assistance in finding a Psychologist/HSP to supervise Ms. Day.

The Board reviewed a letter from **David B. Clark, Ph.D.**, licensed in Missouri regarding whether a practitioner licensed in another state may come to Tennessee to provide testimony in a Tennessee court if the psychological evaluation was not conducted in Tennessee. The Board determined that this is not the practice of psychology and instructed Ms. Spitznas to send Dr. Clark a letter informing him of this. Ms. Spitznas asked the Board if the Board could issue a Policy Statement regarding this topic since this question is asked quite often. Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Kemp for Mr. Larkin to draft a Policy Statement and bring it to the September 2009 meeting. The motion carried.

The Board reviewed a letter from **S. Kathryn Steele, Psy.D./HSP** requesting that the Board accept postgraduate training experience that addresses psychological testing and assessment for **Carlin Giles, LPC-MHSP** under her supervision as meeting the criteria to become a certified psychological assistant. The Board determined that Ms. Giles must complete an on-site, formal, supervised practicum in an accredited program as outlined in the Board's rules governing Certified Psychological Assistants and asked Ms. Spitznas to send Dr. Steele a letter indicating this.

The Board reviewed a letter from **Dr. Thomas Schacht** regarding the requirements for supervision by a physician of a psychologist providing psychotherapy. The Board determined that "effective intercommunication" requires a consultative relationship and directed Ms. Spitznas to send Dr. Schacht a letter indicating this.

The Board reviewed a request from **Katherine Redwine, PE #549** for a waiver of her continuing education requirements for 2006 and 2007. Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Erickson to grant Ms. Redwine's request for a waiver due to medical disability, pursuant to Rule 1180-1-.08(5)(b). The motion carried.

The Board reviewed letters from **Megan Parker, Emily Bryant, and Emily Fuller**, school psychologist doctoral candidates at the University of Tennessee dated April 24, 2009, who are beginning a non-APA approved internships this summer to complete their Ph.D. The Board stated that the internship substantially met the standards required by Board rules, but after discussion, Dr. Kemp made a motion, seconded by Dr. Davis for Ms. Spitznas to send Ms. Parker, Ms. Bryant and Ms. Fuller letters that it is inappropriate for the Board to make a determination regarding a predoctoral internship prior to an application for licensure. The motion carried.

Review Licensure Files

Desiree Rozier –Hummel, Psy.D./HSP

Dr. Kemp made a motion, seconded by Mr. Caye, to approve the issuance of Dr. Rozier-Hummel's provisional license and scheduling of the EPPP exam, upon receipt of one additional letter of recommendation and submission of the predoctoral internship verification form, signed by the internship director. The motion carried.

Kara Johansen, Psy.D./HSP

Dr. Kemp made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sigler, to approve the issuance of Dr. Johansen's provisional license and scheduling of the EPPP exam, upon receipt of documentation verifying completion of her degree completion of her predoctoral internship. The motion carried.

Jean Marie Saporito, Ph.D./HSP

Dr. Kemp made a motion, seconded by Dr. Strickler, to approve the issuance of Dr. Saporito's provisional license and scheduling of the EPPP exam, upon receipt of documentation verifying completion of her degree and completion of her predoctoral internship. The motion carried.

Carrie Askren, Sr. PE Upgrade

Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Caye, to approve Ms. Askren for an upgrade to senior psychological examiner. The motion carried.

Benjamin Biller, Sr. PE Upgrade

Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Erickson, to approve Mr. Biller for an upgrade to senior psychological examiner. The motion carried.

David Dobbins, Sr. PE Upgrade

Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Strickler, to approve Mr. Dobbins for an upgrade to senior psychological examiner. The motion carried.

Timothy B. Haynes Sr. PE Upgrade

Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Caye, to approve Mr. Haynes for an upgrade to senior psychological examiner. The motion carried.

Jennifer J. Couch, Sr. PE Upgrade

Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Caye, to approve Ms. Couch for an upgrade to senior psychological examiner. The motion carried.

Tina L. Qualls, Sr. PE Upgrade

Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Caye, to approve Ms. Qualls for an upgrade to senior psychological examiner. The motion carried.

Barbara S. Robinson, Sr. PE Upgrade

Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Caye, to approve Ms. Robinson for an upgrade to senior psychological examiner. The motion carried.

Anna Suzanne Palmer, Sr. PE Upgrade

Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Caye, to approve Ms. Palmer for an upgrade to senior psychological examiner. The motion carried.

Deborah Rhatigan, Ph.D./HSP

Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sigler, to approve Dr. Rhatigan for a provisional license and to sit for the EPPP. The motion carried.

Jennifer Daly Vandergriff, Ph.D./HSP

Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Dr. Kemp, to approve Dr. Vandergriff to sit for the EPPP and ethics and jurisprudence examination. Once her postdoctoral supervised experience is completed in August 2009, Dr. Vandergriff can be approved for licensure. The motion carried.

Kelli Netson, Ph.D./HSP

Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sigler to approve Dr. Netson to sit for the EPPP and ethics and jurisprudence exams, pending receipt of one (1) letter of recommendation, endorsing Dr. Netson as a Health Service Provider. Once her postdoctoral supervised experience is completed in September 2009, Dr. Netson can be approved for licensure. The motion carried.

Lucy Underwood, Ph.D./HSP

Dr. Strickler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Kemp, to approve Dr. Underwood to sit for the EPPP exam and be issued a temporary license upon receipt of a signed predoctoral internship verification form and temporary license supervisor affidavit. The motion carried.

Jennifer Champion, Ph.D./HSP

Dr. Strickler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sigler, to approve Dr. Champion to sit for the EPPP and be issued a provisional licensure upon receipt of documentation verifying completion of her degree completion of her predoctoral internship. The motion carried.

Tracy Schultz, Psy.D./HSP

Dr. Strickler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sigler, to approve Dr. Schultz to sit for the ethics and jurisprudence exam upon receipt of a dated letter of recommendation and a licensure endorsement form. The motion carried.

Brian J. Smith, Psy.D./HSP

Dr. Strickler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Caye, to approve Dr. Smith for a provisional license and to sit for the EPPP. The motion carried.

Nancy Clanton, Ph.D./HSP

Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sigler, to approve Dr. Clanton for a temporary license and schedule the EPPP, pending receipt of a letter from her internship director, two (2) addendums to letters of recommendation that endorse her as a Health Service Provider and a non-discrepant criminal background check. The motion carried.

Danette Garces-Webb, Ph.D./HSP

Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Dr. Strickler, to approve Dr. Garces-Webb to sit for the EPPP and ethics and jurisprudence examinations. Once Dr. Garces-Webb completes her postdoctoral supervised experience in August 2009, she can be issued a license. The motion carried.

Kimberly Williams Collins, Ph.D./HSP

Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Caye, to approve Dr. Williams Collins for a provisional license and schedule her for the EPPP, upon receipt of documentation verifying completion of her degree and a notarized copy of her birth certificate. The motion carried.

Elizabeth Saylor, Psy.D./HSP

Dr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hunter, to approve Dr. Saylor for a provisional license and to sit for the EPPP, pending receipt of a letter clarifying whether she is applying for Health Service Provider designation, and also documentation verifying completion of her degree, internship, and the provisional license supervisor affidavit. The motion carried.

Rachell N. Anderson, Psy.D./HSP

Dr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Dr. Strickler, that given the extensive discussion as to the qualitative and quantitative aspects of Dr. Anderson's application, to approve Dr. Anderson to sit for the ethics and jurisprudence. The motion carried.

Kendra Tannenbaum, Ph.D./HSP

Dr. Erickson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hunter, to approve Dr. Tannenbaum to sit for the EPPP and ethics and jurisprudence examination. Upon passing these exams and completion of her postdoctoral supervised experience, Dr. Tannenbaum can be issued a license. The motion carried.

Damon Lipinski, Ph.D./HSP

Dr. Erickson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Kemp, to approve Dr. Lipinski for a provisional license and to sit for the EPPP and ethics and jurisprudence examinations. The motion carried.

Robert Baldwin, Ph.D./HSP

Dr. Erickson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sigler, to approve Dr. Baldwin to sit for the ethics and jurisprudence examination. The motion carried.

Lauren Porter Myers, Certified Psychological Assistant

Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Strickler, to approve Ms. Myers' certification as a psychological assistant, upon receipt of one (1) additional letter of recommendation from either a psychologist with Health Service Provider designation or a Senior Psychological Examiner. The motion carried.

Adrian O'Bryant, Certified Psychological Assistant

Dr. Strickler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Caye, to delay the decision on Mr. O'Bryant's certification and reconsider his application at the next Board meeting, pending receipt of evidence of a minimum of nine (9) semester hours related to the application of psychology, including formal psychological testing and intervention techniques. These nine (9) hours must include at least three (3) graduate semester hours in cognitive/intellectual testing and three (3) graduate semester hours in formal personality testing; evidence of practicum experience including substantial training and supervision in formal psychological assessment, including clinical diagnostic interview, and formal psychological testing; evidence that a licensed

Psychologist with designation as a HSP had overall responsibility for the practicum training; and an affidavit from the supervisor. The motion carried.

Shannon Manor, Certified Psychological Assistant

After full Board review, it was determined that Mr. Manor is deficient fifty-one and one half (51 ½) hours of the required two hundred twenty five (225) Direct Client Service clock hours. Ms. Hunter made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sigler, that upon receipt of documentation of the additional fifty-one and one half (51 ½) hours, Mr. Manor's application will be reconsidered. The motion carried.

Adjournment

Dr. Erickson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hunter, to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. The motion carried.

Ratified by the Board of Examiners in Psychology on September 9, 2009