

**TENNESSEE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN PSYCHOLOGY
MINUTES**

DATE: January 29 – 30, 2009

TIME: 9:00 a.m., CST

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

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: Janice Martin, Ph.D., Chair
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.

BOARD MEMBERS

ABSENT: Jeffrey Erickson, Ph.D.

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:

Carl Gilleylen, Psy.D.
Denise Davis, Ph.D. and her students from Vanderbilt
Dr. Brian Wind. TCAF
Kenith Robins, Ph.D.

Dr. Martin, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:19 a.m. A quorum was present.

Minutes

Dr. Kemp made a motion, seconded by Dr. Strickler, to approve the October 22 – 23, 2008 minutes with corrections. The motion carried.

Service Awards

Dr. Martin presented Dr. Carl Gilleylen, former Board member, a plaque for serving on the Tennessee Board of Examiners in Psychology. Dr. Gilleylen accepted Dr. Kores plaque in his absence. Dr. Martin thanked Dr. Gilleylen and Dr. Kores for their hard work and dedication during their tenure with the Board.

Applicant Interview

Dr. Brian Wind, Tennessee Colleague Assistance Foundation (TCAF), was present on behalf of Dr. Kenith Robins, applicant for licensure as a psychologist with health service provider designation. Dr. Robins' application was delayed by the Board at its October 2008 meeting due to a boundary violation in another jurisdiction. The Board requested that Dr. Robins have a psychological evaluation performed by TCAF. Dr. Wind informed the Board that Dr. Robins is very compliant with his contract with TCAF and is fit to practice psychology in the State of Tennessee.

Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Strickler to accept TCAF's evaluation of Dr. Robins and after successful passage of the ethics and jurisprudence exam, issue Dr. Robins an unencumbered license. The motion carried.

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.

Office of General Counsel Report

The following rules are currently under revision: 1180-1-.06(4)(c)1.(iii) regarding content of patient records; 1180-2-.01(7)(d) and (e) regarding supervision by video conference; 1180-1-.08(1)(e) 1 – 3 regarding the 3 hour ethics requirement concerning continuing education; and 1180-1-.13 regarding reasonable cost for copies of patient records; and 1180-4-.01(b) regarding supervision of psychological examiners by senior psychological examiners.

There are currently six (6) open complaints in the Office of General Counsel. There is a licensure denial appeal scheduled for the Board's May 21 – 22, 2009 meeting. The revised policy statements regarding working on a lapsed license and failure to obtain continuing education will be presented at this meeting. The Board will discuss procedure/policy regarding assurance of non-citizens ability to work in the United States.

Investigative Report

There are currently twenty-four (24) open cases pertaining to psychologists and six (6) open cases pertaining to psychological examiners in the Office of Investigations.

Disciplinary Report

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

Financial Report

\$299,747.92 was transferred to the state's general fund leaving the Board a surplus of \$42,769.52 as of June 30, 2009.

Administrative Report

From October 17, 2008 to January 21, 2009, fourteen (14) new psychologist and one (1) senior psychological examiner upgrade applications were received.

Board members were asked to encourage their colleagues to utilize the online renewal system.

Please submit any request for travel to the Board Administrator at least sixty (60) days in advance of the scheduled conference.

The results of the 2006/2007 continuing education audit are as follows:

January 2008 - two (2) psychologists and one (1) psychological examiner were in compliance.

February 2008 - three (3) psychologists were deficient and one (1) psychological examiner was in compliance

March 2008 - two (2) psychologists and one (1) psychological examiner were compliant.

April 2008 - nineteen (19) psychologists were deficient and three (3) psychological examiners did not respond.

May 2008 - three (3) psychologists and one (1) psychological examiner were in compliance.

June 2008 - three (3) psychologists and one (1) psychological examiner were in compliance.

July 2008 - three (3) psychologists and one (1) psychological examiner were in compliance.

August 2008 - two (2) psychologists were deficient and one (1) psychological examiner was compliant.

September 2008 - four (4) psychologists - three (3) licensees have not responded and one (1) licensee is deficient.

Ratify Newly Licensed

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

Stephanie A. Bellard, Ph.D.

Ellen Newberg Crouse, Ph.D.

Sheryl Ann Ebert, Ph.D.

Ze'ev Yoseph Jason Frankel, Ph.D.

Heather Colleen Gow, Psy.D.

Heather Leigh Hardison, Ph.D.
David Earl Massey, Ph.D.
Sara Jean McCane-Bowling, Ph.D.
Todd Michael Moore, Ph.D.
Cassandra Rutledge Newsom, Psy.D.
Joann Spadafore Quintero, Ph.D.
Ashley Oren Ross, Ph.D.
Kimberly Ruth Tartt-Godbolt, Psy.D.
Karen L. Weigle, Ph.D.
Heather Nicole Willis, Psy.D.
Gina M. DelGardo, Ph.D.

The motion carried.

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

Jessica Alison Hall
Jim Petrea

The motion carried.

Ratify Reinstatements

Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lavin, to approve the following reinstated psychologists:

Allison C. Ballew, Ph.D.
Peter R. Harris, Ph.D.
David M. McElroy, Ph.D.
Susan J. Williams, Ph.D.
Thomas Sajwaj, Ph.D.
Carol Jordan, Ph.D. (upon passing the Ethics and Jurisprudence exam)

The motion carried.

Initial Determinations/Recommendations by Board Members

Dr. Lavin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Strickler, to approve the initial recommendations by Board members for the following candidates:

David E. Massey, Ph.D./HSP – Schedule for ethics and jurisprudence exam

Gina DelGardo, Ph.D./HSP – Issue temporary license and scheduled for ethics and jurisprudence exam

Robert J. McCaffrey, Ph.D. – Issue temporary authorization to practice to conduct a neuropsychological evaluation for purposes of civil litigation.

The motion carried.

Written Examination

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

Ellen Crouse, Ph.D.	Pass
Ashley O. Ross, Ph.D.	Pass
Sheryl Ebert, Ph.D.	Pass
Traci Golbach, Ph.D.	Pass
Colleen Mitchell, Ph.D.	Pass
Kimberly Tartt-Godbolt, Psy.D.	Pass
Maki Mehta, Ph.D.	Fail
Marie E. Crawford, Ph.D.	Fail

The motion carried.

Ethics and Jurisprudence Examination

Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lavin, to ratify the ethics and jurisprudence exam passing scores for the following candidates:

Stephanie A. Bellard, Ph.D.
Ze'ev Frankel, Ph.D.
Sara McCane-Bowling, Ph.D.
Cassandra R. Newsom, Psy.D.
Kimberly Tartt-Godbolt, Psy.D.
Karen Weigle, Ph.D.
Heather N. Willis, Psy.D.
Ellen Newberg Crouse, Ph.D.
Heather Gow, Psy.D.
Ashley Oren Ross, Ph.D.
Sheryl Ann Ebert, Ph.D.
David Earl Massey, Ph.D.
Gina DelGardo, Ph.D.
Stephanie Vaughn, Psy.D.
Traci Golbach, Ph.D.

The motion carried.

Review Licensure Files

Cynthia D. Jackson, Ph.D.

Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Dr. Strickler, to delay the issuance of Dr. Jackson's provisional license until a correct predoctoral internship verification form, signed by the internship director, is submitted. The motion carried.

Denice Woodie

Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Dr. Kemp, to approve Ms. Woodie as a certified psychological assistant. The motion carried.

Roger de Beus, Ph.D.

Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hunter, to approve Dr. de Beus to sit for the ethics and jurisprudence exam. The motion carried.

James Campbell, Ph.D.

Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sigler, to approve Dr. Campbell to sit for the ethics and jurisprudence exam. The motion carried.

Colby Butzon, Ph.D.

Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Dr. Kemp, to approve Dr. Butzon to sit for the EPPP exam and be issued a provisional license. The motion carried.

Kiesa Kelly, Ph.D.

Dr. Strickler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Caye, to approve Dr. Kelly for reinstatement of her psychology license. The motion carried.

April Rainey, Psychological Examiner

Dr. Strickler made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hunter, to approve Ms. Rainey for reinstatement of her psychological examiner's license. The motion carried.

Heather Quagliana, Ph.D.

Dr. Strickler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sigler, to approve Dr. Quagliana to sit for the EPPP exam and be issued a provisional license. The motion carried.

Kristen Yanchak, Ph.D.

Dr. Strickler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sigler, to approve Dr. Yanchak to sit for the EPPP exam and be issued a provisional license. The motion carried.

Connie Hutchinson

Dr. Sigler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lavin, to approve Ms. Hutchinson for the Senior Psychological Examiner upgrade. The motion carried.

Catherine Dunlap Veazey Morris

Dr. Lavin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Strickler, to approve Dr. Veazey Morris to sit for the EPPP. The motion carried.

Jaime Below, Ph.D.

Dr. Lavin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hunter, to approve Dr. Below to sit for the EPPP exam and be issued a provisional license.

Tamela Sadler, Ph.D.

Dr. Lavin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Kemp, to approve Dr. Sadler to sit for the EPPP exam and be issued a provisional license. The motion carried.

Ileana Freeman-Guiterrez, Ph.D.

Dr. Lavin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Strickler, to approve Dr. Freeman-Guiterrez to sit for the EPPP exam and be issued a provisional license. The motion carried.

Robert Huston, Ph.D.

Dr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sigler, to approve Dr. Huston to sit for the ethics and jurisprudence exam. The motion carried.

Policy Statements

Mr. Larkin presented an amended Policy Statement regarding licensees who fail to obtain continuing education. Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sigler to adopt the amended policy statement. A roll call vote was conducted. The motion carried.

Mr. Larkin presented an amended Policy Statement regarding licensees working on an expired license. Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lavin to adopt the amended policy statement. A roll call vote was conducted. The motion carried.

Mr. Larkin presented a Policy Statement regarding requiring foreign-born applicants provide proof of their ability to work in the United States. The policy statement requires non-United States citizen applicants to obtain proof of proper authorization of eligibility for employment in the United States and provide a notarized copy of their Green Card. Mr. Caye made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lavin to adopt the policy statement as written. A roll call vote was conducted. The motion carried.

Correspondence

Ms. Spitznas informed the Board that she responded to correspondence from **Edward Burk, Ph.D.** asking where he can obtain the three (3) hour ethics continuing education requirement. The Board took no further action.

Mr. Larkin responded by letter to correspondence from **Fred Wright, Ph.D.** requesting his 2002 discipline be removed from his license. Mr. Larkin informed Dr. Wright that the Board does not have the authority to expunge disciplinary action from a license. The Board took no further action on this matter.

The Board reviewed anonymous correspondence regarding **East TN State University's (ETSU)** website which states that their clinical psychology program was developed following the American Psychological Association (APA) guidelines and they will apply for accreditation as soon as allowable under APA rules. The Board determined that it has no authority to respond to request to ask ETSU to correct their website.

Jayoung Choi submitted correspondence asking several questions regarding postdoctoral supervised experience hours. The Board directed Ms. Spitznas to respond to Dr. Choi's letter.

Angie B. Prince, M.Ed., Sr. L.P.E submitted correspondence requesting a waiver of the 2006 and 2007 continuing education requirement. Dr. Kemp made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lavin to grant a waiver of the 2006 and 2007 continuing education. Ms. Spitznas is to send Ms. Prince a letter stating that the Board would like to see that Ms. Prince is back on track with her continuing education by December 31, 2009. The motion carried.

Amy Baker, Ph.D. submitted correspondence requesting approval to serve as an expert witness in legal cases related to her area of expertise since she is not licensed but is a full time researcher. The Board asked Ms. Spitznas to send Dr. Baker a letter asking what she would be testifying to and what type of research she does, as they need specific circumstances before a response to her questions can be made.

Lisa Paderna, Ph.D. submitted correspondence requesting an extension to complete the EPPP exam due to medical circumstances. Dr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Dr. Strickler to accept Dr. Paderna's petition for the EPPP deadline to be extended until the end of July 2009. The motion carried.

Kimberly Kempner, Ph.D., submitted correspondence requesting that her provisional license be temporarily suspended for three (3) months due to maternity leave. Dr. Strickler made a motion,

seconded by Dr. Davis to suspend Dr. Kempner's provisional license until she returns from maternity leave. The motion carried.

Dr. Jeffrey Weatherby submitted correspondence asking the Board to accept an accredited degree by the Australian Psychological Society and eight (8) years experience working under the supervision of another psychologist. The Board asked Ms. Spitznas to respond to Dr. Weatherby by stating that the Board has an equivalency provision standard and is willing to look at his application upon submission.

Martha Morelock, Ph.D., certified psychological assistant submitted correspondence regarding the Board's acceptance of her Ph.D. for applying for licensure as a psychologist. The Board asked Ms. Spitznas to respond to Dr. Morelock's letter and state that the Board will review the application upon submission and include a copy of the Board's rules and regulations.

Other Board Business

Dr. Kemp made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hunter, to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 a.m. The motion carried.

Ratified by the Board of Examiners in Psychology on May 21, 2009.