

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
September 18, 2015
Fort Pierre, SD

Members Present: Karen Wiemers, Ph.D., Member; Robert Overturf, Lay Member; Jerry Buchkoski, Ph.D., Member; Sara Schilplin, Ph.D., Member and Alice Bruce, Lay Member.

Members Absent: Fred Magnavito, Ph.D., President; Bradley Woldt, Ph.D., Secretary.

Others Present: Carol Tellinghuisen, Executive Administrator; Jill Lesselyoung, Administrative Assistant; and Justin Pierson, Department of Social Services Liaison to the Board.

Buchkoski called the meeting to order at 9:11 AM CT. The Board entered executive session at 9:13 AM CT on a unanimous vote based on a motion by Wiemers and a second by Overturf for the purpose of administering an oral examination to Applicants #340 and #338. The Board exited executive session at 10:25 AM CT on a unanimous vote based on a motion by Schilplin and a second by Overturf.

Corrections or Additions to the Agenda: Request for refund of licensure renewal fee. The Board agreed to refund the license renewal fee for Richard Gunn, Ph.D., on a unanimous vote based on a motion by Wiemers and a second by Schilplin. The DLR Licensing Boards and Commissions Data Collection Application Update was added as a final discussion item.

Approval of Minutes: Bruce moved and Wiemers seconded a motion to approve the minutes from the June 12, 2015 meeting. The motion carried on a unanimous vote.

FY 2015 Financial Update: Lesselyoung reported on the finances through the month ending June 30, 2015. Current Revenue is \$61,288.45; Expenses are \$47,875.62; and Cash on Hand is \$63,957.32. Bruce moved and Schilplin seconded the motion to approve the financials. Motion carried on a unanimous vote.

Oral Examination Requirement: Tabled until the next meeting.

Statute and Rule Revisions: The Board discussed pursuing legislation along with the proposed Applied Behavioral Analyst licensing since the law would be opened to revision.

Complaint #212-Pending.

Applied Behavior Analyst Discussion: Tellinghuisen advised she presented on Licensure 101 at the S.D. Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) Provider Workgroup on September 17, 2015 on proposed licensing of applied behavior analysts. It was a general consensus by the Workgroup to look at licensing under the Psychology Board. The Applied Behavior Analysts would like to have their own board, but do not have sufficient numbers of licensees to financially maintain a Board. Some of the concerns voiced at the psychology meeting were as follows: scope of practice, fees are already high, providing a license to bachelor's level people, future makeup of the board, how to grandfather people that are currently practicing, exemptions for psychologists from any requirement to obtain a separate certification in ABA, additional time commitment for Board members and an increased workload for the Board office staff with no way to pay for additional services, potential future law changes if Autism is redefined as it has been in the past. Overall the Board was very concerned with decisions being made in such a short period of time as legislation is slated for December 1, 2015 presentation. The Board generally agreed that services for treatment of children with Autism should be reimbursed.

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Next Meeting: A special meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2015, @12PM CT, 11AM MT, by teleconference to address the Applied Behavioral Analyst licensing. The regular in person meeting is tentatively scheduled for December 18, 2015 in Sioux Falls, SD.

Executive Session: The Board entered executive session at 10:45AM CT on a unanimous vote based on a motion by Wiemers and a second by Schilplin for the purpose of administering an oral examination to Applicants #344 and #350. The Board exited executive session at 11:43 AM CT on a unanimous vote based on a motion by Wiemers and a second by Buchkoski.

Vote on Applicants #340, 338, 344, & #350: Schilplin moved and Overturf seconded a motion that the Board ratifies the licenses for Applicants #340,338,344, and #350 by virtue of passing the oral exam and satisfying all licensing requirements. Motion carried on a unanimous vote.

DLR Licensing Boards and Commissions Data Collection Application Update: Pierson joined the meeting at 11:45AM CT for discussion of the data collection application. The Board reviewed the upcoming data collection elements which are slated for input by the end of the year. Tellinghuisen voiced concerns as to how much of the information would be open to the public and the Board's responsibility for the information collected; i.e. how and to whom the information may be disseminated. The Board's concerns are privacy issues and few limitations to the freedom of information act. In addition, concerns that licensees may believe disclosure of certain information is mandatory in order to renew a license. The Board agrees they should not be responsible for any information that is not required to apply for or renew a license. Pierson advised the purpose of the additional data is for analysis and certain fields will be optional. Pierson will email the latest update to the required elements.

Tellinghuisen advised she would check her schedule and evaluate the agenda to see if it would benefit the Board for her to attend the upcoming ASPPB conference in AZ as there are no Board members that can attend at this time. Buchkoski advised ASPPB is willing to send a person to SD to provide Board member training. The Board office will follow up for potential dates that a person could come to SD. The Board office will forward spring conference dates to Schilplin.

Buchkoski adjourned the meeting at 12:52 PM CT following a unanimous vote based on a motion by Overturf and a second by Bruce.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Tellinghuisen
Executive Secretary