

**MINUTES**  
Board of Directors Meeting  
March 5, 2010  
Holiday Inn Express, Ft. Pierre

Present: Woody Schrenk, Jim Kinyon, Jim Carlon, Steve Blair, Mary Guth, Pam Kettering, Jill Schoen, Darrel Kessler, Tacey Braithwaite, Dave Johnson, and Joyce Vos.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30am. One item was added to the agenda for Jim Carlon's input.

M/S/P Schoen/Kettering to move into Executive Session at 8:34am.

M/S/P Kettering/Johnson to move into General Session at 11am.

A motion was made by Kessler and seconded by Johnson to dismiss case #2009-06. A call for the question lacked a 2/3 vote to pass. M/S/P Guth/Braithwaite to propose a substitute motion offering a stipulation that required four hours of ethics in confidentiality. These hours would be due by December 31, 2010 and in addition to the four hours due each CE compliance period. Johnson and Kessler abstained.

M/S/P Schoen/Kinyon to send a notice of hearing with a settlement invitation for case #2009-10.

M/S/P Kessler/Guth to hold a hearing at the next meeting for a declaratory ruling on whether rehabilitation counselors need a counseling license.

Staff was directed to send Nancy Christopherson a letter stating that the Board cannot make an exception to SDCL36-32-25 as requested and a separate letter that her application for licensure is non-compliant.

M/S/P Kettering/Schoen to propose a repeal of SDCL 36-32-13.1 at the next legislative session.

Staff will write a letter to the non-licensee whereas his business card implies he is licensed as a clinical mental health counselor.

1. The Board agreed that the late penalty can be and should be imposed upon failure of the licensee to be renewed by January 1 of each year. It was noted by Jim Carlon that a counselor/therapist cannot practice with an "inactive" license or a "non-renewed" license and must be directed to cease and desist. Staff was directed to send such a letter to all those not renewed by January 1, 2010.

2. The Board agreed that Staff could replace the renewal packet mailing with the mailing of an early October postcard directing the licensees to the website for their renewal form(s). Staff will send a newsletter in early Spring notifying the licensees of the changes found in number one and two of these Minutes.

3. The Board agreed to the proposed change of the renewal “seal” to a self-mailer/letter.

4. M/S/P Johnson/Guth to approve the December 4, 2009 Minutes as presented.

5. M/S/P Johnson/Kessler to approve the Staff’s consultant contract as presented.

6. M/S/P Kinyon/Kettering to approve Jan Schmidt’s request for an additional year to complete her MFT Plan of Supervision for medical reasons.

7. M/S/P Schoen/Guth to approve Jeni Rae Peter’s request to do an additional 4-6 weeks of supervision to comply with the required two of four methods of supervision, and to document it on an additional Tracking Form and Attachment A.

8. The Board shared Mary Helen Hopponen’s comments about the CE requirement.

9. The delegation that attended the AASCB conference in January shared numerous observations and suggestions.

Staff will organize a supervision task committee as suggested at the 2009 summer retreat.

Staff will research a State jurisprudence examination similar to other States’ requirement.

10. The current financial was reviewed and filed as informational.

11. The list of licensees since the December meeting was shared as informational.

The next meeting was proposed for June 18, 2010 in Pierre.

The meeting adjourned at 2:20pm

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce M. Vos  
Executive Secretary