SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
May 17, 2011
Teleconference

Members Present: Frederick Magnavito, Ph.D., President; Thomas Stanage, Ph.D., Vice President; Bradley Woldt, Ph.D., Secretary; Karen Wiemers, Ph.D., Member; Dan Green, Lay Member; and Lorin Pankratz, Lay Member.

Members Absent: Jerry Buchkoski, Ph.D., Member.

Others Present: Carol Tellinghuisen, Executive Administrator; Paula Spargur, Administrative Assistant.

President Magnavito called the meeting to order at 12:01 PM CST.

Corrections or Additions to Agenda: None.

Approval of Minutes from March 31 & April 1, 2011 Meeting: Pankratz moved and Stanage seconded the approval of the March 31 & April 1, 2011 minutes with an amendment to the section ABPP Diploma by adding ‘an inquiry from an applicant’ to clarify the context of the discussion. The motion carried on a unanimous vote.

School Psychology/Application Question: Magnavito and Tellinghuisen consulted with Stephen DeMers, Ed.D., regarding the appropriateness of school psychologist applying for licensure as a psychologist in South Dakota. DeMers identified that both the American Psychological Association (APA) and the American Board of Professional Psychology (ABPP) consider school psychology as similar in nature to determinations of clinical and counseling psychology. In South Dakota, school psychologists may be exempt of licensing requirements if their practice is limited to a school setting; however, they need to be certified by the state. If school psychologists are to practice independently, then they need to be licensed to practice by the Board of Examiners of Psychologists within the bounds of their competency in accordance with the ASPPB Code of Conduct, as required of all licensees. Stanage moved and Green seconded a motion to proceed with Magnavito’s response as written, adding one additional statement, in reply to an inquiry about licensing from a graduate student in a school psychology program. The additional statement refers the student back to her/his training program and cautions the student that the program must be designed to train psychologists for preparation for licensure in SD. If the program is not so designated, then the program of study is unlikely to satisfy the requirements for licensure in SD. The motion carried on a unanimous vote.

Next Meeting: The next meeting has been scheduled for July 15, 2011 in Lead, SD.

President Magnavito adjourned the meeting at 12:40 PM CST.

Respectfully submitted,

Bradley Woldt, Ph.D.
Secretary