

SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN PSYCHOLOGY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 20, 2012

MEMBERS ATTENDING:

Drs. Christiana DeGregorie, Robert Howell, Michael Kollar, Rhea Merck, Mary Metropol, Kendra Ogletree Cusaac and William Wattles.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Patricia Glenn, Administrator; Sara McCartha, Advice Counsel; David Love, OIE; Cheryl McNair, OIE; Jerry Merritt, OIE; Sheliah Jones, Administrative staff and Suzanne Hawkins, Litigating Attorney- OGC.

Public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the Board office and provided to any requesting persons, organizations, or news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the S.C. Freedom of Information Act. A quorum of members was present.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chair, Dr. Michael Kollar.

NEW BOARD MEMBERS:

Dr. Kollar welcomed 2 new board members to the board: Drs William Wattles and Christiana DeGregorie.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

On a motion by Dr. Howell and seconded by Dr. Metropol the Board voted unanimously to elect Dr. Michael Kollar as Chair and Dr. Rhea Merck as Vice-Chair.

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

The minutes from the September 23, 2011 Board meeting and November 28, 2011 Conference Call board meeting were approved on a motion by Dr. Ogletree Cusaac, seconded by Dr. Merck and unanimously supported.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Ms. Glenn gave an overview to Board members. The Board reviewed.

OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL REPORT:

Ms. Hawkins, Litigating Attorney, gave the Report of cases in the OGC to the Board for informational purposes.

OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT REPORT: David Love, OIE gave a report of investigations from Sept. 23, 2011- April 20, 2012 which detailed the status of complaints and the alleged issues.

COMPLAINTS/DISCIPLINARY MATTERS:

Complaint #2011-19- The Board voted to accept the recommendation of the IRC to dismiss the complaint.

Complaint #2011-21- The Board voted to accept the recommendation of the IRC to dismiss the complaint.

Complaint #2012-1- The Board voted to accept the recommendation of the IRC to dismiss the complaint.

Complaint #2012-3- The Board voted to accept the recommendation of the IRC to dismiss the complaint.

Complaint #2011-11- The Board voted to accept the recommendation of the IRC to move forward with a Formal Complaint.

Complaint #2010-15- The Board voted to accept the recommendation of the IRC to dismiss the complaint with a Letter of Caution.

Complaint #2011-10- The Board voted to accept the recommendation of the IRC to dismiss the complaint with a Letter of Caution.

The Board voted to accept the Recommendation of the IRC on a motion by Dr. Merck and seconded by Dr. Howell.

REVIEW OF NEW LICENSEES: The Board reviewed list of newly licensed applicants issued from Sept. 23, 2011- April 20, 2012.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

With a motion from Dr. Howell and a second from Dr. Merck the Board voted to go into executive session. With a motion from Dr. Wattles and a second from Dr. Howell, the Board voted to come out of executive session.

CONDUCTING BOARD BUSINESS WITH ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS:

Board members discussed holding board meetings via telephone with conference calls. Board members also discussed the possibility of conducting oral exams via "skype" or other means of telecommunications if necessary and used judiciously.

ORAL EXAMINATION UPDATE: The Board discussed using the revised oral examination questions. In an effort to have consistent answers to the questions and consensus among board members as to what those answers should be Ms. Glenn was asked to email oral exam questions to board members. Bd. members are to answer the exam questions, cite the section of the Regulations/Statutes where the answer is found and respond back to Ms. Glenn by May 20, 2012. Ms. Glenn will forward board member responses to Dr. Kollar to formulate consistent answers.

OIE # 2009-1- FINAL ORDER BOARD APPEARANCE:

Chamarlyn Fairley, Ph. D. appeared before the Board per the Order to discuss with board members what she learned during her supervisory period.

CONSENT AGREEMENT- OIE #2010-8:

Ms. Hawkins, LLR Attorney presented a Consent Agreement (Public) signed by respondent. Ms Hawkins requested to withdraw the Consent Agreement and resubmit at a later board meeting.

STIPULATIONS OF FACT- OIE #2011-3:

Ms. Hawkins, LLR Attorney presented a Stipulations of Fact agreed to and signed by the respondent, Howard J. Rankin, Ph. D.

On a motion by Dr. Howell and seconded by Dr. Merck, the Board voted to go into Executive Session. On a motion by Dr. Merck and seconded by Dr. Howell, the board voted to come out of Executive Session.

On a motion by Dr. Howell and seconded by Dr. Merck, the Board voted to issue a Public Reprimand with sanctions to include taking an APA approved course in record keeping and having respondent appear before the board after fulfilling the requirements of the Order. See attached Order

The next regularly scheduled meetings of the Board in 2012 will be Friday, September 21, 2012 in room 105.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Dr. Howell and seconded by Dr. Wattles the Board voted to adjourn at 2:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia F. Glenn, Administrator
Board of Examiners in Psychology