

SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN PSYCHOLOGY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 22, 2016

MEMBERS ATTENDING:

Drs. Michael Kollar, Christiana DeGregorie, Deborah Leporowski, Gable McCullough, William Wattles, Robert Howell, Alisa Liggett, and Isabelle Mandell

MEMBERS ABSENT: none

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Marlo Thomas-Koger, Administrator; Donnell Jennings, Advice Counsel; David Love, OIE; Phil Flohr, OIE; Adrian Rivera, OIE; Alex Imgrund, ODC; Sheliah Jones, Administrative staff; Andrew Rogers, Assistant Deputy Director.

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 9:04 AM by Chair, Dr. Michael Kollar.

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

After considering recommendations, additions, deletions and corrections, a motion was made to approve the agenda by Dr. McCullough and seconded by Dr. Howell. All were in favor and the motion passed.

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

After considering recommendations, additions, deletions and corrections, a motion was made to approve the January 8, 2016 minutes by Dr. Leporowski and seconded by Dr. Howell. The motion and the minutes were unanimously passed.

OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT REPORT: David Love, OIE gave a report of investigations from January 1, 2016 – April 6, 2016 which detailed the status of complaints and the alleged issues.

COMPLAINTS/DISCIPLINARY MATTERS:

Complaint #2014-18- The Board voted to accept the recommendation of the IRC to dismiss the complaint.
Complaint #2015-2- The Board voted to accept the recommendation of the IRC to dismiss the complaint.
Complaint #2015-23- The Board voted to accept the recommendation of the IRC to dismiss the complaint.

The Board voted to accept the recommendation of the IRC to dismiss the complaint on a motion made by Dr. Howell and seconded by Dr. Wattles.

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL REPORT:

Mr. Alex Imgrund presented the ODC Case Load Statistics report with one open case and one pending case as of April 20, 2016.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR – Dr. Christiana DeGregorie

Dr. Kollar stated that everyone is going to sorely miss Dr. Rhea Merck. She put in many years of dedicated service and the amount of thought, insight, and integrity is without reproach. She went the extra mile and her input made the Psychology Board of Examiners better. Dr. Kollar thanked Dr. Merck for her service.

Dr. Kollar introduced Dr. Isabelle Mandell and welcomed her to the board.

REVIEW OF NEW LICENSEES: The Board reviewed list of newly licensed applicants issued from January 7, 2016 – April 21, 2016.

PSYCHOLOGY LICENSURE UNIVERSAL SYSTEM (PLUS) and the PSYCHOLOGY INTERJURISDICTIONAL COPMPACT (PSYPACT): Alex Siegel, JD, PhD and Ms. Janet P. Orwig with ASPPB discussed the universal application that licensure candidates are able to use in sixteen (16) jurisdictions. Individuals are able to bank their credentials and are assured ASPPB is able to primary source verify the information when needed in the future. There is a \$200 fee to use PLUS. Mr. Siegel and Ms. Orwig talked about a potential expedited license between member states.

APPLICATION HEARING:

Dr. Lonnie L Sansbury, Jr. had a yes response on his application. On a motion from Dr. Howell and seconded by Dr. Leporowski, the board voted to approve the Preliminary Application for Licensure.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TASK FORCE COMMUNICATION UPDATE:

Mr. Alex Imgrund provided an update on the Domestic Violence Task Force Communication.

DISCUSSION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CONTINUING EDUCATION MANDATE FOR BIENNIAL RENEWAL PERIOD 2018 – 2019 AND AVAILABILITY OF OFFERINGS: Board members discussed various options. Mr. Jennings stated some of the suggestions would require regulatory change and the legislative committee will continue to do the necessary research.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE/APPLICATION REVIEW COMMITTEE: Dr. DeGregorie and Dr. Howell joined the Legislative Committee and Dr. Howell was asked to become the chair. Ms. Liggett and Dr. Leporowski are also committee members. Dr. Leporowski motioned that the Board of Examiners in Psychology, in support of the Governor's Task Force on Domestic Violence, will require licensed psychologist to take three continuing education units in domestic violence beginning the next renewal cycle if approved by the legislature. The motion was seconded by Dr. DeGregorie.

Dr. Wattles joined the Application Review Committee. Dr. Mandell motioned that the board is in favor of the PLUS system philosophically and asked that the appropriate people at LLR vet the options. Dr. Leporowski and Dr. Wattles seconded the motion.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Dr. Wattles and seconded by Dr. Leporowski, the Board voted to adjourn at 2:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marlo Koger, Administrator
Board of Examiners in Psychology