

**IDAHO BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGIST EXAMINERS**  
**Bureau of Occupational Licenses**  
700 West State Street, P.O. Box 83720  
Boise, ID 83720-0063

**Board Meeting Minutes of 1/19/2012**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bill R. Arnold, Ph.D. - Chair  
Ronald Ponsford, Ph.D.  
Barney Greenspan, Ph.D.  
Kevin Kracke, Ph.D.  
Travis Hawkes

**BUREAU STAFF:** Tana Cory, Bureau Chief  
Dawn Hall, Administrative Support Manager  
Emily Mac Master, Deputy Attorney General  
Lori Peel, Investigative Unit Manager  
Maurie Ellsworth, Legal Counsel  
Debbie Sexton, Technical Records Specialist II

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jill Hedt, Ph.D., Boise VAMC Associate Chief  
of Staff- Education

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 AM MST by Bill R. Arnold, Ph.D.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the October 27, 2011 minutes. Dr. Greenspan moved to approve the minutes as written. Seconded by Dr. Ponsford, motion carried.

The Board reviewed the November 30, 2011 minutes. Dr. Greenspan moved to approve the minutes as written. Seconded by Dr. Ponsford, motion carried.

**Amended Agenda**

Dr. Ponsford moved to amend the agenda to discuss parenting time evaluations due to a meeting at the Supreme Court which occurred less than 24 hours ago. Seconded by Dr. Greenspan, motion carried.

**LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

Ms. Cory presented the legislative update to the members of the Board.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Ms. Hall presented the financial report, which showed a cash balance of \$41,041.24 with revenues of \$55,969.00 and expenditures of \$30,418.05 as of 12/31/2011.

## **DISCIPLINE**

Ms. Mac Master presented PSY-2008-10 to members of the Board. Dr. Ponsford moved to accept the recommendation for closure and to authorize the Attorney General's Office to send an advisory letter. Seconded by Mr. Hawkes, motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

The Board discussed Telepsychology. The Board formed a committee which will update the Board at its next meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Correspondence**

The Board reviewed correspondence from Dr. Jeffrey Meech regarding the limitation of online continuing education. The Board said while there are limitations to ten (10) online continuing education, there are other ways to obtain the CEs under Rule 402. Dr. Ponsford moved to request Ms. Sexton reply back with the options. Seconded by Dr. Greenspan, motion carried.

The Board reviewed correspondence from Dr. Nels Sather regarding signing off on psychological evaluations. The Board said the only way he could sign off on this individual's evaluation is if he is the individual's service extender. Dr. Greenspan moved to request Ms. Sexton reply back and refer Dr. Sather to rule 450 regarding service extenders. Seconded by Dr. Ponsford, motion carried.

Dr. Arnold updated the Board regarding a meeting he attended. The Idaho Supreme Court is considering a rule regarding parenting evaluations and assessments. It is directed at possibly providing quasi-judicial immunity to those licensed clinical mental health professionals who are appointed by the courts to conduct evaluations, and it might adopt some standards for those professionals when they perform evaluations for Idaho courts. The Court would like to have input from the professional licensing Boards. Dr. Ponsford moved to appoint Dr. Arnold to represent the Board at the meetings. Seconded by Dr. Greenspan, motion carried.

Dr. Hedt presented the Board with an outline of the VAMC (Veterans Affairs Medical Center) Psychology Internship Program. No further action was taken.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Mr. Hawkes that the Board go into executive session under Idaho Code § 67-2345(1)(d) to consider records that are exempt from disclosure under the Idaho Public Records Law. The purpose of the Executive Session was to consider license application materials. Seconded by Dr. Greenspan, motion carried. Individual vote for this motion was: Dr. Arnold, aye; Dr. Ponsford, aye; Mr. Hawkes, aye; and Dr. Greenspan, aye.

Mr. Hawkes moved to enter into regular session. Seconded by Dr. Greenspan, motion carried. Individual vote for this motion was: Dr. Arnold, aye; Dr. Ponsford, aye; Mr. Hawkes, aye; and Dr. Greenspan, aye.

## **APPLICATIONS**

Dr. Greenspan moved to approve the following applicants for licensure as a Psychologist in the State of Idaho based upon meeting all the requirements. Seconded by Dr. Ponsford, motion carried.

William Dobson, Ph.D.  
Lyn Gibson, Ph.D.  
Ashley Paluska, Psy.D.

Dr. Greenspan moved to approve Eunice Gardner's licensure as a Psychologist in the State of Idaho upon a passing exam score being sent directly to the Bureau of Occupational Licenses. Seconded by Mr. Hawkes, motion carried.

## **INVESTIGATIVE REPORT**

Dr. Kracke joined the meeting at 11:50 AM MST.

Ms. Peel presented the investigative report to members of the Board.

### **For Board Determination:**

Dr. Ponsford recused himself in I-PSY-2010-11. Ms. Peel presented I-PSY-2010-11 to members of the Board. Dr. Kracke moved to request further investigation. Motion died for a lack of a second. Mr. Hawkes moved to accept IBOL's recommendation for closure in this matter and to send a warning letter. Seconded by Dr. Greenspan, motion carried. Dr. Kracke opposed.

## **NEXT MEETING**

A Board meeting has been scheduled for April 12, 2012 at 10:00 AM MDT at the Bureau of Occupational Licenses.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Dr. Kracke moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:35 PM MST. Seconded by Mr. Hawkes, motion carried.

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