

Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists
BOARD MEETING MINUTES: May 11, 2012
APPROVED: June 8, 2012

The meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists (Board) was called to order at 8:30 a.m., Friday, May 11, 2012, at 8280 YMCA Plaza Drive, Building 8-B, Baton Rouge, LA 70810. Present were Board Members, Drs. Tony Young, Lee Matthews, Rita Culross, John Courtney and Marc Zimmermann; and, Executive Director, Kelly Parker. Dr. C. Clinton Pettigrew, Complaints Coordinator, was in partial attendance.

Dr. Courtney moved to accept the May 11, 2012 agenda with corrections. Dr. Zimmermann moved that the minutes of April 27, 2012 be amended and accepted. Dr. Courtney seconded the motion.

Pursuant to **LSA R.S.42: 6.1(4)**, Dr. Young moved to enter Executive Session to review legal matters, conduct oral exams and file reviews. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote of the members present as follows: Young –yea, Matthews – yea, Culross-yea, Courtney-yea and Zimmermann-yea.

Dr. Young moved to close Executive Session to enter the following:

Complaint Review/Legal Matters:

- a. ***P11-12-02C*** Dr. Pettigrew presented the case and investigator recommendation to the Board. After careful consideration of the facts presented, Dr. Courtney moved to accept the recommended dismissal. The motion passed unanimously.
- b. ***LSBME v. CV***: Dr. Culross presented this matter for consideration of the Board. The Board agreed that no further action was warranted. Dr. Courtney moved that Ms. Parker contact the LSBME to discuss handling similar matters with regard to the MOU. Dr. Matthews seconded the motion.
- c. ***P11-12-04C***: Ms. Parker informed the Board that the practice monitor was unable to attend the meeting. Dr. Zimmermann moved that the Respondent not conduct any forensic casework until the Board has the opportunity to meet with the practice monitor. The motion was accepted by roll call vote: Matthews –yea, Culruss-yea, Courtney-yea, Zimmermann-yea, Dr. Young recused himself.

Oral Examinations:

Shaunda Johnson, Ph.D., appeared before Dr. Culross and Dr. Courtney for an oral examination. Dr. Culross moved that the Board grant **Dr. Johnson** a license to practice psychology with a specialty in Counseling Psychology. The motion passed by a vote of the full board.

Catherine Kiracofe, Psy.D. appeared before Dr. Young, Dr. Zimmermann and Dr. Matthews for an oral examination. Dr. Matthews moved that the Board grant **Dr. Kiracofe** a license to practice psychology with a specialty in Clinical Neuropsychology . The motion passed unanimously, Dr. Courtney recused .

Courtney Lewis, Ph.D. appeared before Dr. Young, Dr. Zimmermann and Dr. Matthews for an oral examination. Dr. Zimmermann moved that the Board grant **Dr. Lewis** a license to practice psychology with a specialty in Clinical Psychology. The motion passed unanimously, Dr. Courtney recused himself.

Rebecca Rothbaum, Psy.D. appeared before Dr. Young, Dr. Zimmermann and Dr. Matthews for an oral examination. Dr. Matthews moved that the Board grant **Dr. Rothbaum** a license to practice psychology with a specialty in Clinical Neuropsychology. The motion passed unanimously, Dr. Courtney recused himself.

Valerie Myers, Ph.D. appeared before Dr. Courtney and Dr. Culross for an oral examination. Dr. Courtney moved that the Board grant **Dr. Myers** a license to practice psychology with a specialty in Clinical Psychology. The motion passed unanimously by full vote of the Board.

Adam R. Reinwald, Psy.D. appeared before the Board for an oral examination. Dr. Culross moved that the oral examination of Dr. Reinwald be continued for a minimum of 6 months with additional supervision, and completion of 15 hours of Board-approved continuing education in the areas of differential diagnosis in severe mental illnesses. The motion passed by majority roll call vote as follows: Young – yea, Matthews – yea, Zimmermann-yea, Culross – yea and Courtney – yea.

Supervision and Credentials Recommendations:

Dr. Young reviewed and recommended the Board accept the Temporary Registration of **Barry Michael Crown, Ph.D.** The Board unanimously accepted this recommendation.

Dr. Young reviewed and recommended the Board accept the Non-APA program of **Sara Kathryn Lawing, Ph.D.** The Board unanimously accepted this recommendation.

Dr. Culross reviewed and recommended the Board accept the supervised practice plans of **Caroline Gardner, Ph.D. and Lisa Solorsh, Psy.D.** The Board unanimously accepted this recommendation.

Dr. Culross reviewed and recommended that the Board request **Sara Kathryn Lawing, Ph.D.** submit a Supervised Practice Plan with Daliah Bauer, Ph.D. The Board unanimously accepted this recommendation.

Dr. Young reviewed the Criminal Background History report of **Michael Smith, Ph.D.**

Dr. Young reviewed the application file of **Deidre J. Devier, Ph.D.** Dr. Young moved that the Board deny the application of Dr. Devier because aside from important coursework required for licensure that were absent from her sequence of training, she did not complete the required practical/clinical training experience(s) within the graduate program. The motion was unanimously accepted by roll call vote: Young –yea, Matthews-yea, Culross-yea, Zimmermann-yea and Courtney-yea.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee: The Board reviewed and accepted the Financial Statement for March 2012 prepared by accountant, Ouida Nugent. Ms. Parker pointed out areas on the financial statement that were not categorized appropriately and reported that she would discuss same with Ms. Nugent.

Oral Examination Committee: No report.

Legislative Coordinator: Dr. Courtney and Ms. Parker brought the Board up to date on all legislative matters. The Board discussed Senator Morrell's resolution. The Board also carefully reviewed and discussed the legal advice issued by Lloyd Lunceford, Esquire, regarding the practice of behavior analysis. The Board agreed to request an attorney general opinion regarding the practice of behavior analysis.

Liaison to Professional Organizations and Boards: The Board discussed following the recommendation of ASPPB and changing the rules to only accept APA accredited doctoral programs and/or APA accredited internships. The Board also agreed that if this change is made, there would be a grandfathering phase of approximately 2-3 years.

Continuing Education: No report.

Complaints Committee: No report.

Long Range Planning Meeting: Dr. Matthews moved to create a rule change to incorporate the criminal child abuse statutes which require psychologists be mandatory reporters in Title 46. Dr. Matthews moved that this matter be added to the Long Range Planning agenda. The motion was unanimously approved.

Ad hoc Committee: Sunset Review: No report.

Ad hoc Committee: Behavior Analysts: This item was discussed during the Legislative Coordinator report.

Ad hoc Committee: Real Estate: Dr. Young appointed Dr. Culross and Dr. Zimmemann to the Real Estate Committee. The purpose of the committee is to assist the Board with locating a new office space during the next few months.

Discussion Items:

2012-2013FY Contracts: The Board reviewed the annual budget and carefully considered 2012-2013 FY Contracts. The Board unanimously adopted the following contracts for July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013:

Taylor, Porter, Brooks & Phillips, LLC, for legal professional services be continued, not to exceed a maximum amount of \$16,000. That fee schedule should reflect the following:

\$175 PER HOUR FOR ATTORNEYS HAVING EXPERIENCE OF TEN YEARS OR MORE IN THE PRACTICE OF LAW
\$150 PER HOUR FOR ATTORNEYS HAVING EXPERIENCE OF FIVE TO TEN YEARS IN THE PRACTICE OF LAW
\$125 PER HOUR FOR ATTORNEYS HAVING EXPERIENCE OF THREE TO FIVE YEARS IN THE PRACTICE OF LAW
\$100 PER HOUR FOR ATTORNEYS HAVING EXPERIENCE OF LESS THAN THREE YEARS IN THE PRACTICE OF LAW
\$45 PER HOUR FOR PARALEGAL SERVICES
\$25 PER HOUR FOR LAW CLERK SERVICES

McGlinchey Stafford, PLLC, for legal professional services to be continued, not to exceed a maximum amount of \$10,000. That fee schedule should reflect the following:

\$175 PER HOUR FOR ATTORNEYS HAVING EXPERIENCE OF TEN YEARS OR MORE IN THE PRACTICE OF LAW
\$150 PER HOUR FOR ATTORNEYS HAVING EXPERIENCE OF FIVE TO TEN YEARS IN THE PRACTICE OF LAW
\$125 PER HOUR FOR ATTORNEYS HAVING EXPERIENCE OF THREE TO FIVE YEARS IN THE PRACTICE OF LAW
\$100 PER HOUR FOR ATTORNEYS HAVING EXPERIENCE OF LESS THAN THREE YEARS IN THE PRACTICE OF LAW
\$45 PER HOUR FOR PARALEGAL SERVICES
\$25 PER HOUR FOR LAW CLERK SERVICES

The Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General, for legal professional services to be continued, not to exceed a maximum amount of \$4,000. That fee schedule should reflect the following:

\$175 PER HOUR FOR ATTORNEYS HAVING EXPERIENCE OF TEN YEARS OR MORE IN THE PRACTICE OF LAW
\$150 PER HOUR FOR ATTORNEYS HAVING EXPERIENCE OF FIVE TO TEN YEARS IN THE PRACTICE OF LAW
\$125 PER HOUR FOR ATTORNEYS HAVING EXPERIENCE OF THREE TO FIVE YEARS IN THE PRACTICE OF LAW
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\$45 PER HOUR FOR PARALEGAL SERVICES
\$25 PER HOUR FOR LAW CLERK SERVICES

Ouida Nugent, CPA, for professional accounting services be continued, not to exceed a maximum amount of \$5,000. That fee schedule should reflect the following:

\$700 for preparation of the annual financial report, payable upon completion and approval of said report by the Board.
\$50 per hour for other accounting services, payable on a monthly basis and upon receipt of an itemized statement of services performed.

C. Gary Pettigrew, Ph.D., for Complaints Coordinator be continued not to exceed a maximum amount of \$4,000. That fee schedule should reflect the following:

\$90 Upon completion of a review of a Request for Investigation with a recommendation to the LSBEP
\$90 Per hour for all meetings, including meetings with attorneys and preliminary hearings

Constance Patterson, Ph.D., for Investigating Officer be continued through fiscal year not to exceed a maximum amount of \$12,000.

\$60 per hour/plus pre-approved travel and lodging.

Sparkhound, for information technology services be continued through not to exceed a maximum amount of \$5,000. That fee schedule should reflect the following:

\$95 per month web hosting
\$400 annual security certificate
\$100 per hour IT Support

Terrance Mallory for website maintenance and development be continued not to exceed a maximum amount of \$1,500. That fee schedule should reflect the following:
\$65 per hour for ongoing maintenance and development

Dr. Young moved to adjourn and stated the next meeting is June 8, 2012. The motion was accepted.
Adjournment: 3:40 p.m.