

Open Session Meeting Minutes
IOWA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY
November 15, 2013
Lucas State Office Building, 5th Floor Conference Room #526
Des Moines, Iowa

Chairperson-Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m. by Dr. John Dilley, Chairperson.

Introductions:

Members Present:

John Dilley, Ed.D.

Melinda Green, Ph.D.

Heidi Vermeer-Quist, Psy.D.

Sarah Henderson, Public Member

Brandon Davis, Ph.D.

Ralph Scott, Ph.D.

Members Absent:

Joan Skogstrom, Public Member

Staff Present:

Sharon Dozier, Board Executive

Barb Huey, Bureau Chief

Barb Christiansen, Administrative Assistant

Dave Van Compernelle, AAG

Public Present:

Brenda Payne, IPA

Jason Smith

Rozanna Tross

Approval of Open Session Minutes:

A motion to approve the meeting minutes of August 23, 2013 was made by Vermeer-Quist. A second was received from Henderson. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

Public Comment:

Jason Smith, Superintendent at the Cherokee Mental Health Facility, addressed the board. Ms. Smith is here today to speak about Rozanna Tross's application to be licensed in Iowa. She is already licensed in two other states – South Carolina and Georgia. The doctoral program she

attended does not have APA accreditation. She would like to use endorsement as a means to become licensed. She is a state employee and is working at Cherokee, but would like to hold an Iowa license. If the waiver process is not available or she isn't able to receive a license by endorsement, she would not be interested in practicing in this state. Mr. Smith stated that Iowa is in desperate need of psychologists.

Reports:

Board Executive – Sharon Dozier reported on the rules amendments that were adopted at the last meeting. These rules became effective on October 23, 2013. The continuing education rules will become effective on July 1, 2014. Sharon encouraged everyone to review the new rules on the website.

Dozier reported on a meeting that was held on October 30, with representatives from the IPA. In addition to Dozier, IDPH staff persons in attendance were Barb Huey, Marcia Spangler, Deborah Thompson and Barb Christiansen. IPA attendees were Dr. Michelle Griener, Dr. Greg Febbraro, and Amy Campbell. The purpose of the meeting was to review ongoing concerns impacting the availability of psychologists in Iowa, including the aging workforce, attrition, and reimbursement; and to explore the possibility of adding a provisional psychology license. IPA will be pursuing this issue during the 2014 legislative session.

Dilley asked about rule changes the board will need to make regarding law changes to provisional licensing. He noted that even with a provisional license the individual must pass the exam and complete the hours of supervision successfully. Henderson asked what this change would do for the applicants. Brenda Payne was recognized by Chairperson Dilley, and she explained that the rationale behind an individual having a provisional license would enable those individuals to bill for services and the capability to work under supervision, thus this would help with the retention of psychologists in Iowa. There are approximately 16 states that currently provide provisional licenses.

Bureau Chief- Barb Huey stated that there will be a cost for provisional licensure. She announced that the new AMANDA licensure system is scheduled to go live in December 2013. Huey also announced that the financial reports for this board will be distributed at the next meeting.

AAG – No report

Old Business:

Brandon Davis recused from the discussion regarding his request for a letter on a scope of practice question on calorimetry, which he submitted for review at the last meeting. AAG Van Compernelle noted that he had some concerns, and that precautions are needed in reviewing such

requests. With Davis' recusal from participating in the discussion, the potential for conflict is likely to be reduced. A letter was drafted and presented by Melinda Green regarding Davis' request. Dozier added that the letter would not constitute a declaratory ruling by the board. It was suggested that Davis' name be removed from the letter, and that the letter needs to be appropriate for any licensed psychologist in the state. AAG Van Compernelle stated that the draft from Green is appropriate for a scope of practice issue. He also advised adding legal disclaimers as needed. Dozier stated that she will work with Green to finalize the draft and will ask Van Compernelle to review it before submitting the letter to the Board for approval. The Board agreed to authorize staff to finalize the letter for review on a conference call. Davis returned to the meeting. Dilley provided Davis with an update on the Board's decision.

New Business:

There was discussion of developing a procedure for scope of practice reviews. The current Rules Committee includes Henderson, Davis, and Skogstrom. The committee will meet at a later date to review this topic. Dilley suggested looking at other states for language or ideas.

Applications:

Davis reported on the applications reviewed by the Applications Committee.

HSP application, Vincent Marziano: Dr. Marziano was previously granted licensure, and he will need to submit a petition for waiver of the criteria for internship.

Request for off- site supervision, Melinda Graham Hinnens: A plan was submitted, and the Committee recommends granting the supervision request. Following discussion, a motion was made by Davis to approve the supervision plan submitted by Melinda Graham Hinnens. A second was received from Henderson. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

Continuing Education Applications:

Ralph Scott recused from the discussion. He applied for 20 hours of continuing education for research and publication of an article, as well as a new course he developed. Following discussion, a motion was made by Henderson to approve the application for 20 hours of continuing education submitted by Ralph Scott. A second was received from Green. 4 ayes, 1 abstained, motion carried.

Daniel Orme applied for continuing education for two articles he authored. Orme is asking for 10 hours of credit for each article. Following discussion, a motion was made by Davis to approve the 20 hours of continuing education requested by Daniel Orme. A second was received from Vermeer – Quist. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

The Board recessed following the review of applications. The Board reconvened to discuss complaints.

Complaints:

Henderson moved that the board go into closed session at 10:29 a.m. to discuss whether to initiate licensee disciplinary investigations or proceedings as allowed under Iowa Code section 21.5(1)d and to discuss records that are required to be kept confidential as allowed under Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(a). A second was received from Davis. Roll call was taken:

Davis – aye

Dilley – aye

Henderson – aye

Green – aye

Vermeer-Quist – aye

Scott – aye

Motion carried

The board returned to open session 11:18 a.m.

Follow up from Closed Session:

A motion was made by Davis to close Case 13-004. A second was received from Vermeer-Quist. 5 ayes, 1 abstained, motion carried.

A motion was made by Henderson to approve the closed session meeting minutes of August 23, 2013. A second was received from Davis. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

2014 Board Meetings:

February 14, 2014, May 9, 2014, August 8, 2014 and November 14, 2014.

There was agreement to hold a conference call meeting on December 6 at 12:30 p.m.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Scott to adjourn the meeting at 11:26 a.m. A second was received from Vermeer-Quist. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

The minutes were approved on February 14, 2014.