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MICHIGAN BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY JANUARY 22, 2009 MEETING

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Psychology met in regular session on January 22, 2009 at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

Dane Ver Merris, Ed.D., Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:41 a.m.

Members Present: Dane Ver Merris, EdD, Chairperson
Julie Cowie, Vice Chairperson
Christopher J. Flores, Public Member
James A Gualdoni, Public Member
Robert Hack, MA, LLP
Monica Navarro, Public Member
James Reed, PhD
Roberta Toll, PhD
Alan Warbelow, LLP

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Rae Ramsdell, Director, Licensing Division
Amy Shell, Policy Administration Mgr, Licensing Division
Steve Creamer, Manager, Workforce Development,
Research & Evaluation Section
Susan Affholter, Pain Management Coordinator, Workforce
Development, Research & Evaluation Section (left at 11:30 a.m.)
Susan Balkema, Assistant Attorney General
Laurie VanBeelen, Board Secretary, Licensing Division

Others Present: Patricia Watson, PhD (left at 11:34 a.m.)
Kerry Moustakas, PhD, Michigan School of Professional
Psychology (MISPP)
Diane Zalapi, MISPP

Shawn Rubin, MISPP
Fritz Benson, MISPP
Max Hoffman, Attorney, MISPP
Kevin Keenau, PhD, MISPP
Philip J. Dwyer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Flores, seconded by Gualdoni, to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2008 meeting as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Gualdoni, seconded by Flores, to approve the agenda with the following addition:

Under Old Business, add B. Master's License in Other States.

MOTION PREVAILED

OLD BUSINESS

Michigan School of Professional Psychology (MISPP)

Ver Merris spoke to MISPP's original request to allow the school until 2012 to receive their ASPPB/National Register (NR) designation for their doctoral program and invited a representative of the school to address the Board. Max Hoffman, attorney for MISPP, gave a brief history of the school and stated that MISPP is requesting an extension for obtaining ASPPB/NR designation in order to ensure that their students are not adversely affected if the designation is not received prior to the June 30, 2009 deadline. He stated that the continued viability of the school depends on the ASPPB/NR designation being granted.

Pat Watson, previous Board Chairperson, spoke to the Board relative to the process the Board took to implement the rule regarding ASPPB/NR designation, which became effective on August 14, 2007. She indicated that when the Board was reviewing information, they determined that regional designation was too low a threshold for doctoral programs and found that many other states require APA accreditation. Ms. Watson stated that the Board believed at the time that an ASPPB/NR designation protected both psychologists and the public. She further stated that students who graduate from a school that is accredited or has designation, have a greater chance of better employment opportunities.

Navarro asked for a timeline of when the school was first able to apply and when it actually did apply for ASPPB/NR designation.

Watson stated that the Board changed the original deadline for designation from January 31, 2009 to June 30, 2009, to accommodate the many requests received from colleges and universities. She further stated that MISPP has historically always met regional and Board requirements.

Kerry Moustakas, President for MISPP, stated that after the rule requiring ASPPB/NR designation went into effect, the first time MISPP could apply was January, 2008, at which time it did apply. She stated that the ASPPB only allows schools to submit an application for designation once per year in January/February. Moustakas reported that the ASPPB provided MISPP with a letter in April, 2008 stating the deficiencies with MISPP's application and the representatives for the MISPP believe they have done everything requested of them. She stated that the MISPP will submit a second application to the ASPPB in January of this year. However, if the ASPPB determines there are continued deficiencies, MISPP would not be allowed to submit another application until January, 2010.

With regard to application for APA accreditation, Moustakas indicated that MISPP would have to provide seven years of data. As the program did not begin until 2002, she stated that the school did not meet the criteria to apply for APA accreditation until this year. Therefore, it is not pursuing APA accreditation at this time.

Moustakas then answered questions posed by the Board.

MOTION by Cowie, seconded by Flores, to change rule 11 of the Administrative Rules extending the deadline of acquiring ASPPB/NR designation or APA accreditation to June 30, 2011.

Discussion was held.

AMENDED MOTION by Cowie, seconded by Flores, to change rule 11 of the Administrative Rules extending the deadline of acquiring ASPPB/NR or APA accreditation designation to August 1, 2011.

Discussion was held.

SECOND AMENDED MOTION by Gualdoni, seconded by Hack, to change rule 11 of the Administrative Rules extending the deadline of acquiring ASPPB/NR designation or APA accreditation to August 1, 2012.

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote was held to extend the date to August 1, 2012:

Yeas: Reed, Gualdoni, Hack

Nays: Cowie, Navarro, Flores, Toll, Warbelow, Ver Merris

MOTION FAILED

Discussion was held.

A roll call vote was held to extend the date to August 1, 2010:

Yeas: Toll, Navarro

Nays: Warbelow, Cowie, Reed, Flores, Hack, Gualdoni, Ver Merris

MOTION FAILED

A roll call vote was held to extend the date to August 1, 2011:

Yeas: Hack, Navarro, Toll, Warbelow, Reed, Gualdoni, Flores,
Cowie, Ver Merris

MOTION PREVAILED

Moustakas thanked the Board for their consideration in the request of the MISPP and was confident that the MISPP would obtain ASPPB/NR designation by August 1, 2011.

Master's License in Other States

This matter was tabled and will be placed on the March agenda.

PAIN AND SYMPTOM MANAGEMENT PRESENTATION

Steve Creamer, Manager of the Workforce Development, Research & Evaluation Section for the Bureau, provided the Board with a brief overview of the Pain and Symptom Management Committee. He referred the Board to the Committee's website at www.michigan.gov/pm and, in the interest of time, indicated he would provide the Board with a PowerPoint presentation at the March meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Elections

Ramsdell assumed position as Chairperson of the Board and conducted the election process.

MOTION by Warbelow, seconded by Hack, to nominate and re-elect Cowie as Vice Chairperson for the Board.

MOTION by Flores, seconded by Toll, to close nominations.

A voice vote to re-elect Julie Cowie as Vice Chairperson was held:

Yeas: Cowie, Flores, Gualdoni, Hack, Navarro, Reed, Toll, Ver
Merris, Warbelow

Julie Cowie was re-elected Vice Chairperson.

MOTION by Cowie, seconded by Warbelow, to nominate and re-elect Ver Merris as Chairperson for the Board.

MOTION by Cowie, seconded by Flores, to close nominations.

A voice vote to re-elect Dane Ver Merris as Chairperson was held:

Yeas: Cowie, Flores, Gualdoni, Hack, Navarro, Reed, Toll, Ver
Merris, Warbelow

Dane Ver Merris was re-elected Chairperson.

Chairperson's Report

No report.

Department Update

Shell advised the Board that Janet Pippin from the ASPPB met with Department representatives on December 19, 2008. Pippin offered the ASPPB's assistance to the Board if needed. Shell indicated that the Department requested information regarding the application process for ASPPB/NR designation and history of denial of applications for designation. The Department was advised that this information is not available for release.

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Max Hoffman, attorney for the MISPP, thanked the Board for carefully considering MISPP's request and for the decision to extend the deadline for requiring ASPPB/NR designation.

Flores inquired about the schedule for the rules subcommittee to meet. Shell indicated that she will consult with Ver Merris so that dates can be scheduled.


ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on March 19, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Hack, seconded by Gualdoni, to adjourn the meeting at 11:47 a.m.

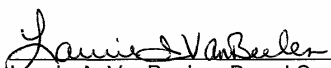
MOTION PREVAILED



Dane Ver Merris, Ed.D., Chairperson

3-19-09

Date Minutes Approved



Laurie A. VanBeelen, Board Secretary

January 30, 2009

Date Minutes Prepared