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MICHIGAN BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY
MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 2008

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Psychology met in regular session on March 13, 2008 at the Ottawa Building, 611 W. Ottawa Street, Conference Room 3, Upper Level Parking, Lansing, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

Dane Ver Merris, Ed.D., Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m.

Members Present:
Dane Ver Merris, Ed.D., Chairperson
Julie Cowie, Vice Chairperson
Robert Hack, M.A., L.L.P.
Monica Navarro, Public Member
Roberta Toll, Ph.D. (arrived at 9:43)
Alan Warbelow, L.L.P.
Patricia Watson, Ph.D.

Staff Present:
Brooke Parmalee, Secretary, Licensing Division
Rae Ramsdell, Director, Licensing Division
Ann Ward-Fuchs, Analyst, Enforcement Section
Paul Jones, Assistant Attorney General
Ray Garza, Director, Health Regulatory Division
Wendy Helmic, Enforcement Section
Susan Balkema, Assistant Attorney General

Others Present:
Dr. Jan Lazar, M.P.A.
Richard C. Totin, Ph.D., M.F.T.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Navarro, seconded by Hack to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2008 meeting as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Cowie, seconded by Hack to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION PREVAILED

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. **Chairperson's Report**

Ver Merris received a phone call from the chair of the internship program at Henry Ford Hospital regarding changes in the rules for supervision. The statute requires 2 years of post doctoral experience even though the rules were changed to state 2000 hours in 1 year. Ramsdell stated that she referred the issue to Paul Jones. Jones stated that the Attorney General's Office has not yet had a chance to address the issue but will do so.

Jones has an update on the Brink lawsuit. Later this month he anticipates that counsel for the defendant will be filing a motion to dismiss the case in federal court. The substance of the merits hearing is still going forward. The DSC should not allow the lawsuit to affect their judgment when the matter comes before them.

Jones will be leaving state government. He has accepted a position as a federal judge with the Social Security Administration in Grand Rapids. Susan Balkema is taking over his boards as legal counsel. The board thanked him for his service.

B. **Department Update**

The department is creating a set of rules for Continuing Professional Development, but they have not been finalized. The board will be notified once the rules are complete.

C. **Board Resolutions Regarding Disciplinary Matters – Ray Garza**

Resolutions dated October 1987 and July 1994 regarding disciplinary matters need to be reviewed to determine whether updates need to be made. Garza would like to meet with board chair and the DSC chair to discuss the matter in order to propose something to the full board. There are some resolutions that the department would really like to continue but language needs to be changed. Jones stated that sometimes things happen between the meetings and the department would like to be able to act on those matters instead of waiting until the next meeting so there is a need to have these resolutions.

Watson asked if the chairperson of the board would continue to be informed of summary suspensions. Garza stated that the chair would continue to be informed. Watson also asked if it would be helpful to continue to include the word "mental" when referring to the approval of health examinations. Garza stated that the change in the Public Health Code states that the DSC has the authority to compel examinations and that the language should be consistent with the section that refers to mental examinations.

REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

A. **Charles Anthony McPhail, Ph.D. – Proposal for Decision**

MOTION by Watson, seconded by Toll to accept the Proposal for Decision and deny reinstatement in the matter of Charles Anthony McPhail, Ph.D.

Discussion followed.

A roll call vote followed: Yeas – Cowie, Hack, Navarro, Toll, Warbelow, Ver Merris, Watson

MOTION PREVAILED

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on May 15, 2008, at 9:30 a.m., at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa, Conference Room 3 (Upper Level Parking), Lansing, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Hack, seconded by Navarro to adjourn the meeting at 10:16 a.m.

MOTION PREVAILED

Dane Ver Merris, Ed.D.
Dane Ver Merris, Ed.D., Chairperson

3-15-08
Date Minutes Approved

Brooke C. Parmalee
Brooke C. Parmalee, Secretary

3-13-08
Date Minutes Prepared