

MINNESOTA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

Minutes of the 379th Meeting

May 12, 2006

Members Present: G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Peterson, J. Romano, M. Seibold, S. Ward, and J. Wolf

Members Absent: S. Hayes and T. Thompson

Others Present: N. Hart, Assistant Attorney General, J. Otteson

PUBLIC SESSION

Board Chair, M. Seibold called the public session of the meeting to order at 9:18 AM, in the Psychology Board Conference Room, at 2829 University Avenue Southeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and a quorum was declared present.

1. **Approval of Minutes.**

a. Board Meeting Minutes-April 14, 2006.

J. Romano moved, seconded by S. Ward that the minutes of the Board meeting of April 14, 2006 be approved as submitted. Voting “aye”: G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Peterson, J. Romano, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting “nay”: none. There being six “ayes” and no “nays”, the motion carried unanimously.

2. **Administrative Matters.**

a. Board Vice Chair Election. Due to the vacancy left by the death of Board Vice Chair, S. Terhune, the Board held a special election to fill the office. Board members nominated four members for the post: J. Romano, J. Wolf, T. Thompson, and J. Lee. J. Romano declined the nomination. The Board voted on the remaining candidates. J. Lee was elected Vice Chair by a vote of: J. Wolf-1 vote; T. Thompson-1 vote, and J. Lee-4 votes.

b. Presidential Citation from the Minnesota Psychological Association (MPA). On Friday, 28 April 2006, BraVada Garrett-Akinsanya, PhD, LP, MPA President, honored the Minnesota Board of Psychology with a Presidential Citation. M. Seibold, J. Wolf, T. Thompson, and P. Walker-Singleton attended the Awards Luncheon held during the MPA Annual Convention. Dr. Seibold accepted the citation on behalf of the Board.

c. Letter to the Editor of the *Minnesota Psychologist*. The Board received a copy of a letter dated April 19, 2006 written to the editor of the *Minnesota Psychologist* on behalf of the Minnesota APA-Accredited Psychology Internship Centers (MAAPIC). The letter was written in support of the letter to the editor from William Robiner, PhD, LP that appeared in the March 2006 edition of the MPA newsletter. The letter and a copy of the Board’s response were presented to the Board. It is expected that both letters will be printed in the next edition of the newsletter.

d. Ming Fisher Award Nomination. At the Board meeting on April 14, 2006, the Board nominated P. Walker-Singleton for the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards’ (ASPPB) Ming Fisher Award. P. Walker-Singleton presented to the Board copies of the nomination forms and the letter of nomination written by J. Romano.

e. Proposed Education Rules Revisited. On Tuesday, 18 April 2006, the Application Review Committee held a Special meeting. During the meeting, the Committee discussed how the proposed licensure rules might be changed to introduce into the licensure requirements a safeguard that degree programs have been evaluated for quality coursework. At the Board meeting, the ARC presented some of their thoughts and ideas for consideration by the Board.

After much discussion, two motions were made:

1. The ARC moved that the Rules Committee be directed to write a rule stating that if individuals graduated from a program in Clinical, Counseling, School, or Professional Psychology, the program must be APA/CPA/ASPPB/NR approved. If the individuals have a degree in any other specialty, they may apply, but the application must go through the course review method of approval. Voting "aye": J. Lee, J. Peterson, J. Romano, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting "no": none. Abstaining: G. Jensen. There being five "ayes" and no "nays", the motion carried.
2. J. Romano moved, seconded by J. Wolf that the Rules Committee also add language that no one can sit for the examinations until they earn the doctoral degree upon which licensure will be based. Voting "aye": G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Romano, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting "no": none. Abstaining: J. Peterson. There being five "ayes" and no "nays", the motion carried.

f. Report on ASPPB Midyear Meeting. S. Hayes, S. Ward, and P. Walker-Singleton attended the 2006 ASPPB Midyear Meeting in Sandestin, Florida on April 20-23, 2006. They reported on their experiences and the content of the sessions. S. Hayes, who was not present at this meeting, submitted a written report and S. Ward and P. Walker-Singleton presented their reports verbally to the Board. (P. Walker-Singleton also presented a written report.)

Some highlights and quotes from the reports are:

S. Hayes

- Joseph Rallo, PhD, Registrar of the Regulatory Board of Psychology in Manitoba, presented on Canada's implementation of competency-based licensure. The 1995 Agreement on Internal Trade precipitated this process that would not have happened without this impetus.
- During I. Leon Smith's presentation, the audience was able to view and interact with an electronic simulation used by other professionals to assess competency. Interestingly, such simulations are devised and created by psychologists for other professions, but not used by psychologists to assess their skills.
- Thoughts about APA's recommendation regarding post-doctoral training for licensure, as expressed by meeting participants:
 - Most felt APA did not consider the far-reaching implications involved with this decision.
 - This was a licensing answer to a financial problem. (Post-doctoral trainees are often unable to receive reimbursement for their work during this year, and, therefore, become indentured servants.)
 - The problem must be addressed at the program level. (How hours are counted need to be more clearly defined.)
- Interesting ideas from new Board member training:
 - Public member participation at Citizen Advocacy Center meetings should be encouraged.

- Training Manual for Psychology Regulatory Boards may augment what staff has already prepared.
- Message to psychologists, who are now Board members, “You’re here because you are a psychologist, but not to BE a psychologist.”

S. Ward

- The materials for the conference had a list of acronyms that is helpful to new Board members.
- Presentation by Dr. Rallo talked about Canada’s competency-based mutual recognition agreements to facilitate the inter-jurisdictional mobility of licensees. The government of Canada was going to do this if the provinces/territories did not. They previously had such vastly different licensure requirements from province to province. Dr. Rallo’s slide presentation, which was included in the materials the Board received, gives a lot of detail about the process used in Canada. They had to devise a mutually agreeable list of requirements, so they went with competency-based requirements determined by knowledge, skills, and attitudes. He also pointed out that Boards need to begin exploring how we consider someone competent for licensure, which this Board is already discussing.
- Small discussions groups talked about the APA’s decision regarding post-doctoral supervision as a licensure requirement. During this discussion, Ms. Ward found it helpful that they listed the pros and cons of the decision, which helped put the decision in perspective and helped form an opinion.

P. Walker-Singleton

- Board Administrators’ Meeting
 - There were 16 jurisdictions represented at the meeting.
 - J. Schaffer, PhD, LP delivered a welcome message to the group on behalf of the ASPPB Board of Directors.
 - Board administrators asked questions and gave information about how issues are handled in their own and in other jurisdictions. The ASPPB Board voted to recognize the Board administrators as an official group and to create two positions from the group to attend Board of Directors meetings, a chair and a liaison.
 - It is possible that an ASPPB meeting will be coming to the Twin Cities soon.
- Nadine Kaslow, PhD, ABPP spoke about a competency-based approach to professional psychology. Her comments summarized issues, including describing the context and historical backdrop, key efforts and themes, current assessment practices, potential advantages, principles for creating a culture of competence, her recommendations for reaching that goal, and the challenges she has recognized.
- Robert L Hatcher, PhD, presented a report on practicum competencies that students should achieve before entering an internship. He defined the term “practicum”. He listed the levels of competence students should have during each of five levels of training during a practicum: Novice, Intermediate, Advanced, Proficient, and Expert.
- J. Schaffer, PhD, LP led a small group discussion focusing on what is the purpose of the practicum? Who shall develop practicum training—the Boards, the professional associations, the schools? Who should evaluate practicum training? The consensus was that the schools should make the practicum experiences more of a priority and should make them more meaningful. Practica are a part of the educational experience and should be assessed by the schools. There should be no need for Boards to increase their involvement in development and assessment of practica. The ASPPB Board should work with the schools to make sure practica are beefed up and assessed in a meaningful way.

- There was a workshop on the proposed Inter-Jurisdictional Practice Certificate (IPC). Holders of the IPC would be allowed to practice temporarily in other jurisdictions in which they are not licensed as a consultant or in case of a disaster. Individuals practicing in non-clinical fields would be able to practice unlicensed in the state for 60 days in a calendar year. Most jurisdictions issue generic licenses and found it awkward that the IPC is only designed to apply to certain fields of practice and not others. Some jurisdictions found the maximum of 60 days of unlicensed practice to be too long and suggested 30 days as an alternative.

3. **Waivers/Variations.**

a. The following licensee was granted approval of a six-month time-limited variance to complete requirements for continuing education (CE), in compliance with MN Rule 7200.3400, subpart 2.

Carol A. Sweasy, MA, LPP LPP0061 05/31/06

J. Romano moved, seconded by G. Jensen that the six month time-limited variance request to complete continuing education requirements (MN Rule 7200.3400, subpart 2) be approved for the licensee listed above on the basis that the licensee met the burden to prove that adherence to the rule would impose an undue burden on the licensee, that granting the variance will not adversely affect the public welfare, and that the alternative proposed meets the rationale for the rule. Voting “aye”: G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Petersen, J. Romano, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting “nay”: none. There being six “ayes” and no “nays”, the motion carried unanimously.

4. **Admit to EPPP.**

The Application Review Committee moved that the following applicants be admitted to the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP) after having met the educational requirements for licensure. Voting “aye”: G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Petersen, J. Romano, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting “nay”: none. There being six “ayes” and no “nays”, the motion carried unanimously.

05C-096	04C-063	06C-316	06C-364	06C-349
06C-231	06C-019	06C-208	06C-023	06C-323
06C-365	06C-367	05C-046	06C-244	

5. **Admit to PRE.**

The Application Review Committee moved that the following applicants be admitted to the Professional Responsibility Examination (PRE) after having met the educational requirements for licensure. Voting “aye”: G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Petersen, J. Romano, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting “nay”: none. There being six “ayes” and no “nays”, the motion carried unanimously.

06C-316	06C-231	06C-208	06C-357	06C-361
06C-244				

6. **Licensed Psychological Practitioners.**

The Application Review Committee moved that the following applicants be licensed as Licensed Psychological Practitioners based on master’s degrees after fulfilling all requirements of Minnesota Statute 148.908. Voting “aye”: G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Petersen, J. Romano, S. Ward, and

J. Wolf. Voting “nay”: none. There being six “ayes” and no “nays”, the motion carried unanimously.

Julie K. Beckmann, MA
Susan Marie Wimmer, MA

7. Licensed Psychologist.

The Application Review Committee moved that the following applicants be licensed as Licensed Psychologists based on doctoral degrees after fulfilling all requirements of Minnesota Statute 148.907, subd. 2. Voting “aye”: G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Petersen, J. Romano, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting “nay”: none. There being six “ayes” and no “nays”, the motion carried unanimously.

Jan Arford, PsyD
Christopher James Boys, PhD
John Dominic Caporale, PhD
Shawn Lee Hofer, PhD
Catherine Ruth Johnson, PsyD
Jennifer Lynn Ostergaard, PsyD
Christi Ann Preiss, PhD
Dina M. Rauker, PsyD
Robin Nicole Wisniewski, PsyD

8. Re-Licensure.

The Application Review Committee moved approval of re-licensure for Shelly Lynn Curran, PhD. Applicant was Board terminated August 6, 2004 for non-payment of renewal fee. Applicant has met the requirements of Minnesota rule 7200.3610 Re-Licensure Following Termination. Voting “aye”: G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Petersen, J. Romano, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting “nay”: none. There being six “ayes” and no “nays”, the motion carried unanimously.

9. Approval of Conversion from Licensed Psychological Practitioner to Licensed Psychologist.

The Application Review Committee moved approval of the request for conversion from Licensed Psychological Practitioner to Licensed Psychologist for the following licensees, after complying with the requirements of Minnesota Statute section 148.907, subdivision 5. Voting “aye”: G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Petersen, J. Romano, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting “nay”: none. There being six “ayes” and no “nays”, the motion carried unanimously.

LPP0074 Marci Marie Mueller Theisen, MA, LPP
LPP0090 Tim Richard Portinga, PsyD, LPP

10. Approval of Doctoral Degrees for Master’s Level Licensed Psychologists (LP).

The Application Review Committee moved approval of the following Licensed Psychologists’ doctoral degrees, which comply with the educational requirements for licensure. Voting “aye”: G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Petersen, J. Romano, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting “nay”: none. There being six “ayes” and no “nays”, the motion carried unanimously.

LP1680 Beverly Jean Long, MA, LP (PsyD)
LP3967 Kathlyn Elvera Nelson, MA, LP (PhD)

11. Emeritus Registration.

The Application Review Committee moved approval of the following applicant for Emeritus Registration based on fulfilling the requirements of Minnesota Statute 148.9105 Emeritus Registration. The applicant, originally licensed as a MA, LP on September 14, 1990, completed an active career as a psychologist licensed in good standing with the Board. The applicant retired in May 2005. Voting “aye”: G. Jensen, J. Lee, J. Petersen, J. Romano, S. Ward, and J. Wolf. Voting “nay”: none. There being six “ayes” and no “nays”, the motion carried unanimously.

George C. Weinman, MA

12. Other Business.**a. APA Rule Update.**

The Board received a letter from the Office of Administrative Hearings returning the rulemaking record and stating that they are closing their file. The record is to be maintained as the Board’s official record of this matter. The Board should next receive from the Revisor’s office three copies of the Notice of Adoption of the rules. Upon receipt, the Board will arrange for publication of the Notice in the *State Register*. The permanent rule will become effective five working days after publication.

Staff is preparing the mailing of the permanent rule to licensees, applicants, and other interested parties.

b. Letter from the Board of Directors of ASPPB.

Stephen DeMers, EdD, Executive Officer of ASPPB, wrote a letter of condolences to the Minnesota Board of Psychology and to the family of the late Scott Terhune, PhD, LP. The original letter was sent to Scott’s family. The Board was presented with a copy of the letter from Dr. DeMers, a copy of the letter of thanks to Dr. DeMers, and a copy of the letter transmitting the original ASPPB letter to Mrs. Terhune.

c. ASPPB’s Inter-Jurisdictional Practice Credential (IPC).

ASPPB is requesting the member Board/Colleges’ input on their proposed “approach to address barriers to short-term inter-jurisdictional practice”. The so-called IPC was proposed at the 2005 Annual Meeting and was further discussed at the 2006 Midyear Meeting.

Because ASPPB is requesting the Board’s feedback, P. Walker-Singleton recommended that the Board delegate to the Administrative Committee, the task of looking at the proposal and bringing a recommendation for feedback to the Board for its review and input.

M. Seibold stated that the Administrative Committee will meet and discuss this matter.

13. Adjournment.

J. Peterson moved, seconded by J. Romano, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:16 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

SUSAN HAYES
Board Secretary

