

Maryland State Board of Examiners of Psychologists

Open Board Meeting Minutes – June 6, 2014

The 595th Open Board Meeting of the Maryland State Board of Examiners of Psychologists was called to order at 9:20 a.m. by the Chairperson, Steven Sobelman, Ph.D..

Board members present:

Jeffrey Barnett, Psy.D, ABPP, Vice-Chairperson
Christopher Bishop, Psy.D
James F. Gormally, Ph.D.
Irene W. Leigh, Ph.D.
Lydia McCargo-Redd, Consumer Member

Board member absent:

Neal R. Morris, Ed.D., MS, CBSM, ABPP
Harriet Rakes, Consumer Member
Myra Waters, Ph.D.

Staff present:

Lorraine Smith, Executive Director
Dorothy Kutcherman, Licensing Coordinator
Linda Bethman, AAG, Board Counsel
Brett Felter, AAG, Board Counsel

Interpreters:

Sandra Brown and Justine Garrett

Public Present:

Kathleen Killeen, Ph.D. - MPA
Kristen Neville, DHMH

A. Minutes

Minutes of the Open meeting held on May 9, 2014 were reviewed. **A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes and a vote called: For – 5; Abstention - 1**

B. Announcements

Executive Director – Ms. Smith reported that of the 20 individuals who took the law exam in May, there were three (3) failures. The list of registrants for the June 20, 2014 law exam was distributed. **A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously carried to approve the list and to authorize the licensing committee to approve others who may register later.** Ms. Smith announced that individuals eligible to take the law exam remotely must be licensed in another state, be active military, or have passed the EPPP and live out of state.

Chair – Dr. Sobelman provided a draft of the revised psychology associate regulations COMAR 10.36.07 that the committee developed. Board members were asked to submit comments via email before the July meeting.

Dr. Sobelman announced that Dr. Barnett was appointed Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Science at Loyola University. This Board meeting was said to be Dr. Barnett's last board meeting.

C. Committee Reports

Disciplinary – The committee continues to work on modifying the format used to recruit board approved supervisors, experts and ethic tutors. A form will be developed and posted on the Board's web site.

Licensing – The committee continues to review new psychologists and psychology associates applications.

Public Affairs – Members were asked to submit articles for the next edition of the Board's newsletter.

D. Board Elections

Ms. Smith announced that Dr. Sobelman will continue to serve as Board Chair and Dr. Morris was elected as Vice-Chair.

E. Public Comment

Dr. Killeen announced that Judy Devito would be retiring as Executive Director of the MPA in 2015. MPA continues to be concerned with the Lynette's bill that did not pass during the legislative session because they think that the bill may be reintroduced next year. MPA will release an article stating why they opposed the bill. Dr. Killeen also announced that Joanne Alterio, Ph.D. will be the new president of the MPA.

F. Closed Session/Administrative Session/Adjournment

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously carried to enter into closed session to engage in medical review deliberations regarding an application for licensure. The Board entered immediately into closed session at 10:30 a.m. and came out at 10:40 a.m. **A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously carried to enter into administrative session to discuss disciplinary matters and to consult with counsel.** Unless recused, those attending the open session remained for the administrative session. The Board came out of administrative session at 12:30 p.m. and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Steven A. Sobelman, Ph.D.

Chairperson