

Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board
Board Minutes
October 10, 2011

Called to order at 1:35 p.m.

Members Present: Gary Price, Patty Bartell, Cheryl Reynolds, Sharon Stuewe, Terry Pfannenstiel, Marcia Simoneau, Kathy Hubka, Grant Edwards, Larry Salmans, Kathy Armstrong and Barbara Burks

Staff Present: Thomas Hawk, Leslie Allen, and Maryann Peerenboom

Audience Present: Sky Westerlund

I. Agenda: announcements and approval

Item: Under New business, F. Board Policy, G. Inactive Licensure, H. Disposition of records. I CRC and KAPPA and J. Advisory Committee appointments and composition were added.

Action: Cheryl Reynolds moved to approve the agenda, Kathy Hubka seconded.

II. Approval of Minutes

Item: September 23, 2011

Action: Terry Pfannenstiel moved Sharon Stuewe seconded. The motion passed.

III. Public Comment

Item: No public comment.

Action: No action needed.

IV. Staff Reports

Tom Hawk

Item: Tom explained the Joint Rules and Regulations Committee requested him to meet with them about the LAC regulations. Tom Hawk and Gary Price attended this meeting before the retreat began that morning. The legislative committee had been contacted by various sources and expressed their unhappiness in the fact that a compromise had not been reached between the Addictions, Social Work and Psychology professions. This committee made it clear that they expected the Board to come up with a compromise and did not wish to hear about this issue again. Tom suggested to the Board that this was not the time to do battle with the legislature as the committee's language was strong and their intentions were direct. The legislative committee suggested the Board not approve the permanent LAC Regulations and instead request an extension of the Temporary Regulations.

Action: Sharon Stuewe moved to rescind the motion passed at the previous meeting approving the permanent LAC regulations, and instead to ask for the Temporary Regulations to be extended for an additional 120 days. Patty Bartell seconded. There was discussion. A roll call vote was taken, the motion passed.

In Favor

Grant Edwards
Sharon Stuewe
Kathy Hubka
Kathy Armstrong
Terry Pfannenstiel
Patty Bartell

Opposed

Marcia Simoneau
Barbara Burks
Larry Salmans
Cheryl Reynolds

Leslie Allen

Item: Leslie reported that she has been spending all of her time with the regulations. The incoming work load in the office has begun to even out somewhat at this time.

VI. Complaint Review Committee

Terry Pfannenstiel

Item: Terry Pfannenstiel reported that currently there were only 6 open cases. The committee is moving right along getting things taken care of.

Action: None needed.

VII. Professional Reports

A. Psychology

Grant Edwards

Item: No Report.

B. Social Work

Sharon Stuewe

Item: Sharon Stuewe reported the committee changed the date of their meetings to the third Wednesday of the month on odd months at 11:00 a.m. Additionally she presented to the Board, recommended language that would clarify what should be covered in a safety training continuing education course. The committee recommended adoption of this language.

Action: This item was added to the December agenda for a Board adoption.

C. Professional Counseling

Item: Gary Price indicated the next meeting will be held Friday October 28th at 10:00 a.m.

Action: None needed.

D. Masters Level Psychology

Item: Larry Salmans reported that three of the previous committee members agreed to stay on the committee. He is hopeful to have a committee meeting in November.

Action: None needed.

E. Marriage and Family Therapy

Item: Terry Pfannenstiel reported that the committee has been looking at on-line programs as well as on-line supervision and therapy.

F. Addiction Counseling

Item: Barbara Burks reported that the committee would meet this coming Friday.

Action: None needed.

VII. OLD Business

A. CEU definition of 50 minutes

Item: Tom Hawk asked the Board if the new language should be added at all of the profession's regulations.

Action: It was the Board's consensus that the staff should add this language to all of the professions.

IX. New Business

A. Legislative Budget Strategy

Item: Tom Hawk explained that the Small Agency group is lobbying to have the fee funded agencies budgets reviewed separately from the large group of tax supported agencies. This is to hopefully avoid additional cuts to budgets that will have no impact on the State general Fund.

Action: Sharon Stuewe moved to give the Executive Director authority to work with the other fee funded agencies in trying to have fee funded budgets reviewed separately from those of tax supported agencies and programs. Kathy Hubka seconded. The motion carried.

B. Board Policy Document

Item: Sharon Stuewe indicated she would like to change the structure statement in the Board Governance Document for structure of Advisory Committees. Discussion followed.

Action: Sharon Stuewe moved that the language be changed to a minimum of five additional members be appointed to an advisory committee. Patty Bartell seconded. A friendly amendment was suggested by Larry Salmans to change the minimum number of five to three. Both Sharon and Patty accepted this amendment. The motion carried.

Item: Gary Priced asked for any additional comments regarding the Board Governance Document.

Action: Larry Salmans moved to approve the Board Governance Document as presented, Kathy Armstrong seconded. The motion carried.

C. Inactive Licensure

Item: Gary Price appointed members to a small committee to research further the Inactive Licensure issue and prepare a proposal for the Board.

Action: Kathy Hubka and Patty Bartell were appointed. Richard Maxfield will be contacted to see if he would also be willing to serve on this committee.

D. Disposition of records

Item: Gary Price asked for an opinion of how the disposition of records of a licensee that is deceased should be handled. Discussion followed.

Action: Patty Bartell moved to change the on-line renewal to include the statement that all master's level licensees and above must inform the Board in writing of their plan for disposition of records in the event of their becoming unable to exercise their responsibilities for the records. Cheryl Reynolds seconded. The motion carried.

E. Complaint Review Committee

Item: Gary Priced asked for a motion regarding KAPPA guidelines.

Action: Terry Pfannenstiel moved that the Complaint Review Committee should function under KAPPA guidelines. Grant Edwards seconded. The Motion passed.

XIII. Adjournment

Item: Larry Salmans moved that the meeting be adjourned, Sharon Stueve seconded. The motion passed.

Action: The meeting was adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

Next Meeting December 12, 2011. (10:00 a.m.)