

MINUTES

**UTAH
Psychologist Licensing Board
MEETING**

July 19, 2011

**Room 474 – 4th Floor – 9:00 a.m.
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111**

CONVENED: 9:15 A.M.

ADJOURNED: 11:00 A.M.

**Bureau Manager:
Board Secretary:**

Richard J. Oborn
Lee Avery

Board Members Present:

Natalie J. Malovich, Ph.D., Chairperson
Valerie Hale, Ph.D.
Steven Christensen
Aaron P. Jackson, Ph.D.

Board Members Absent:

Janiece Pompa, Ph.D.

Guests:

Nanci C. Klein, UPA

DOPL Staff Present:

Ronda Trujillo, Compliance Specialist

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

**ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:
MINUTES:**

The minutes dated April 26, 2011 were reviewed. Dr. Hale motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Dr. Jackson. The motion carried unanimously.

Ronda Trujillo, Compliance Specialist

#1. Dr. James Cloyd is in compliance with his probation. The Division received Dr. Cloyd's revised practice plan stating he will provide a copy of his order to agencies with which he has a contract. His monthly supervisor reports from Robert Williams are current and positive. His quarterly therapy reports from Dr. Steven Gentry are current and positive. He needs to have 10 hours of CEs and an essay submitted by December 28, 2011.

#2. Dr. Elizabeth Firth is in compliance with her stipulation. Dr. Firth submitted monthly reports from

Robert Williams. These are current and positive. Her monthly reports from Ray Orbin are current and very positive. Dr. Firth submitted a personal update for the Board's review. All of her reports are submitted on time.

#3 Dr. Barbara Ogden is in compliance with her stipulation. Dr. Ogden submitted certification that the 4th Street Clinic has read her order. Her quarterly therapy report from James Poulton is current and positive. He is recommending discontinuing her therapy requirement. Dr. Ogden's monthly supervisor reports from Stephen Morris are current and positive. She has been meeting with him since November 2010 and the Division has received 8 reports from him. In 3 of those months they did not meet because she had no clients. The Division recommends that reports change from monthly to quarterly.

APPOINTMENTS:

Dr. James Cloyd, probation interview

Dr. Cloyd met with the Board. Dr. Jackson conducted the interview. The Board noted that his supervisor reports are positive. Dr. Hale motioned to accept Dr. Robert Williams as Dr. Cloyd's supervisor, seconded by Dr. Jackson. The motion carried unanimously. Dr. Cloyd stated that things are going well. He provides risk assessments for clients with chronic pain. He receives referrals from physicians who specialize in chronic pain and he works with them and the client. Dr. Cloyd stated that he also sees clients with other mental health issues as well as a lot of military clients. Dr. Cloyd advised the Board that he is still in the military and has been reassigned to a new division. He will be deployed in February 2012. Dr. Hale motioned to close the meeting at 10:18 A.M. to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual, seconded by Dr. Jackson. The motion carried unanimously. Written notes were not taken. There was no recording made. The Board meeting opened at 10:25 A.M. The Board reminded Dr. Cloyd that he needs to get his CE hours done. His essay is due December 2011. The Board asked to see Dr. Cloyd on October 25, 2011.
Dr. Cloyd is in compliance with his stipulation.

Dr. Elizabeth Firth, probation interview

Dr. Firth met with the Board. Dr. Malovich conducted the interview. Dr. Firth's interview was held

telephonically. The Board noted that Dr. Firth is in compliance with her stipulation. Her supervisor and employer reports are positive and were received on time. Dr. Firth advised the Board that she has a contract with Front Line Services who refers clients to her. Front Line Services holds a contract with Workforce Services and they refer clients to Front Line Services. She provides evaluations that help clients gain employment; others are unable to become employed due to mental health illness and will go through evaluations for Social Security Disability. Dr. Firth stated she is currently working with 23 clients and is keeping very busy. The Board asked to physically see Dr. Firth on October 25, 2011. **Dr. Firth is in compliance with her stipulation.**

Dr. Barbara Ogden, probation interview

Interview taken out of order on the agenda:

Dr. Barbara Ogden met with the Board. Dr. Hale conducted the interview. Dr. Ogden stated she is working in her private practice. The 4th Street Clinic refers up to 6 clients to her. She sees an average of 2 a week. Dr. Ogden stated referrals have been few. Dr. Ogden advised the Board that she is feeling very confident and is enjoying her work. She turns to her friends and former colleagues for her support system. Dr. Jackson motioned to discontinue therapy, seconded by Dr. Hale. The motion carried unanimously. Dr. Ogden asked if her supervisor reports could be moved to quarterly. Mr. Christensen motioned to move her supervisor reports to quarterly, seconded by Dr. Hale. The motion carried unanimously. The Board asked to see on October 25, 2011. **Dr. Ogden is in compliance with her stipulation.**

DISCUSSION:

1. UPA effort to gather ethnicity information regarding Utah psychologists

Mr. Oborn reviewed an e-mail from Dr. Karen Cone-Uemura regarding UPA's effort to gather ethnicity information regarding Utah psychologists. Dr. Nanci Klein participated in the discussion. Dr. Klein advised the Board that the acronym SPTA is State Provincial and Territorial Association. Dr. Klein stated that the reason for gathering this information is to promote APA's Diversity Initiative. The primary goal of the Diversity Initiative of the Committee of State Leaders is to involve more ethnic minority psychologists in membership and leadership positions in SPTAs. In order to do this, SPTAs need to know how many

licensed psychologists are ethnic minorities. UPA believes that the most efficient way to compile this information is to solicit it in licensure paperwork. UPA's membership application currently solicits racial/ethnic information.

Mr. Oborn advised the Board that he consulted with other Bureau managers and the Division Director. The Division feels the best way to support UPA in doing this is for the UPA to do the survey in conjunction with advertising a continuing education course. Mr. Oborn noted that UPA could partner with a university doing research. The Board noted that, to date, there are 840 licensed psychologists and 27 resident licenses in Utah.

2.

Not on the agenda.

Mr. Oborn shared with the Board that a committee has been created to change the scope of practice for substance abuse counselors. The goal is to have them sharing more in the treatment plan and would create a tier in the professional license. These changes would require changing the education, experience and exam requirement. The LSAC cannot diagnose, provide mental health therapy, or sign off on treatment plans. Mr. Oborn noted that this discussion is still in the very beginning stages and he will keep the Board updated as things progress.

Not on the agenda:

Dr. Klien advised the Board that UPA is interested in organizing ethics CE courses for all psychologists in the state. The goal is to update licensed psychologists regarding changes in the Utah statutes/rule. The Board supported UPA sponsoring CEs and encouraged UPA to consider including ethics and DOPL investigations to this list of topics. Dr. Klien stated UPA wants to make this an annual or biannual event because of the statutes and rule updates and new issues. They are considering making this a 6 hour workshop to begin in 2012.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None at this time

The Next Board Meeting:

October 25, 2011

2012 Board meetings have been tentatively scheduled:

January 17, April 17, July 17 October 23

ADJOURN:

Motion to adjourn at: 11:00 A.M.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

October 25, 2011
Date Approved

(ss) Dr. Aaron Jackson
Chairperson, Psychology Licensing Board

October 25, 2011
Date Approved

(ss) Richard J. Oborn
Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational &
Professional Licensing