

NCSAPPB

March 11, 2010

The regular quarterly meeting for the board of the North Carolina Substance Abuse Professional Practice Board was called to order by the President, Danny Graves, at 10:00 am on Friday March 11, 2010.

Present: Randolph Cloud, Paola Learoyd, Worth Bolton, Flay Lee, Randy Thornton, Lynn Inman, Jessica Holton, Helen Wolstenholme, Matt Musselwhite, Ann Christian, Danny Graves, David Turpin, Bert Bennett, Joe Fortin, Tony Beatty, Adrian McCoy, Mark Crabtree, Nora Noel, Dottie Saxon Greene, Lynn Jones, Lidia Bly-Herman, Michael Herring, and Tom Miller

Absent: Clyde Ebron, Cheryl Gentile, Wrenn Rivenbark.

The minutes of the December 11, 2009 were approved.

Danny: Welcome. Call to Order.

Ann: Ethic Awareness and Conflict of Interest Statement.

Ann: Reviewed the rules to be submitted. Board members are to review the rules and will vote at later date. Reciprocity .0209 was addressed in the fall, and Board noted problems. Ann stated she needs some direction. Someone will contact Cheryl Gentile to review opposition. Standards committee wants to address .0214. Line 15, number 3. , .0217 Line 31, number 3. If applicant has been sanctioned by this Board, supervision can be increased. That is addressed in an Ethics Rule (.0601) In-service is to be identified as such. Should be a matter of procedure, not rule. Ethics 0600's grounds for professional discipline: Items 3 and 4 noted. Definitions rule: "activity" vs. "exploitation". .0601 is going back to Ethics to discuss and clean up. Board members need to review the rules in preparation for next meeting.

Danny: Summer School is coming up. Board will present a track. "So You Want To Be Credentialed." Those presenting last year have agreed to present this year. Danny will address, make statement to ICRC concerning length of time it takes to get results back from test. Computerized testing will not resolve the issue if new questions are on the test. This is reflected in our State workforce issues.

Barden: Options on computerized testing. Contract with private testing companies or have testing centers. Laws dictate that we have to open it up for every Board. Recommend that we start looking at contract relationships with other companies. NC does three fourths of the LCAS tests in the world. 89 of 224 tests in NC for LCAS. No time frame at the present. Right now, there are only two or three sites In NC. Have to set up server, contact companies, and find sites. Barden will have something by the next Board meeting. Anna is doing well. Barden read written by Mr. Jonah Williams of thanks that he can now register under Rule Changes.

Treasurer report: David Turpin, we are on target to meet budget. Motion to accept by Tom, seconded by Nora. David Turpin also requests that Board empower treasurer to move some money around. Move Money Market monies to CD's. David will work with office and accountant on percentage. Approval: Lynn Inman made motion and Randy second. Approved.

Ethics Committee: Bert: 14 open cases, closed 12 cases in last quarter. 1 sexual relationship, one relapse, two client relationships, 4 supervision, 2 people supervising relatives, 2 non-credentialed, 1 confidentiality, one registrant expired: 1998. 2009 opened 25 cases. One issue is private investigation need to find person when complaint is filed. Asking for increase in line item amount for use of private investigators.

Deemed Status.

Joe: NBCC working to provide support in Chile.

Jessica: NASW. May 5-7 Clinical Supervision conference. Myrna Miller, President Elect died about two weeks ago. Michael brought up topic of our Board working with them about being dually credentialed. Randolph mentioned Ms. Miller's support. In Raleigh, people from all the disciplines we work with have come together, taking shifts to help with the baby and support the family.

Worth has been working to get LCAS, through SAMSHA efforts, to expand approval to all credentials to get TriCare and work in VA system. Announcement came out last Thursday.

Cheryl: Father in law ill.

Adrian: Nurses. Annual conference in October.

Nora: Ethics presentation on June 12. Conference Fri and Sat, 4/22,23. Charlotte. Nothing SA specific, but good information. Neurobiology, trauma. UNCW conference 4/16 a debate about Evidence Based practice and Practice Based Evidence.

Flay: EC. EC meets morning of Full Board and at least one conference call in between. EC now meets at 8:00 Am. Committee chairs to bring items of interest to bring to Full Board. Asks any Board members for item of interests to be forwarded to Flay or office. **Next Conference Call 5.25.10. 11:00.**

Worth: Spotlight report and updates. Scholarships: have increased number of requests. 8 to Summer School, and 7 to AFOW. Barden will have nominations by Wednesday of this week. Elections coming up: N. Central and At Large open. Information will be on Buzz and paper ballot sent out. Proposal to consider Al Greene Institute scholarship. 42 hour conference. Board asked to vote that registration and lodging be covered. Motion: Lynn Inman, Dottie Saxon-Greene. Can we get it out on Buzz soon. Approved. Worth described function of N and E Committee. Committee of one, but 4-5 other Board members are included in discussion and voting. X out applications if it's someone you know to avoid appearance of impropriety.

Business Ops: Tom Miller. Results of survey regarding structure of Board. 16 out of 25. Findings: people like the structure, think we're doing a good job. 2 areas brought out: Use of time—Thursday and Friday, to Monday or Tuesday, or change the time of meetings on Thur and Friday. Will contact each chairperson for ideas. Also look at volunteers to look at process and structure. Roberts Rules of Order. Asking for volunteers. Teleconference. Lynn, Nora, Tony, Joe, Bert, Jessica. Minute standardized form. Efficiency, streamlining. Orientation: Each chairperson will do a DVD. Can be on website with Member log in. Training: December training replacing CPM trainings. Tom will send out survey to ask what trainings are wanted, rules, CABHA, law changes, peer service definition. Worth and Tom will participate. Tom will have it ready by next Conference Call. Invited everyone to go to website and look at minutes of different committees. Security, access issues. Presently, to get on website, have to go on sign in link. David, Tony, Jessica. Tony discussed how you log in for security reasons.

Ethics hearing at 1:00. Need a quorum. We need 14 people. 30 minutes estimated. If she's at the old hotel, it will be at least 1:20 to start. Tom, Jessica, Lynn, Joe, Tony, Adrian, Worth, David. Had 8 need 14. Can't have hearing. There is no set time to end Board meeting. Time and Structure survey. We've always gotten out at lunch, but it's not really over.

Michael: Contact UNCW again for misleading statements concerning their Social Work program. Worth mentioned Governor's Institute reviewing Master's programs with NCSAPPB. Report for testing. (get from EC.). Discussion about LCAS reference letters: is in Rules./statute.

Randolph. Greetings from Anna. Information from Raleigh. Budget is a dominant topic. Governor is developing her budget. There remain unmet needs in the State. ABC funds under discussion in Raleigh now. The feeling is that it needs to be revised. The current methods started in prohibition days. There have been abuses in the system. Many on the County level fear that privatization will cut the funds to the counties. Those funds go to programs. Opportunity to voice concerns before decisions are made. National and State trends that impact us: proposal by SAMSHA to eliminate SA Block Grant. Call it a Mental Health Block Grant. Around 80% of NC funding is through that grant. Flo Stein is meeting in Washington today to meet to dissuade the SAMSHA secretary from that plan. Ms. Stein feels like the woman is open to hearing, but there is a mandate to reduce sizes of budgets. Her current proposal makes it a Behavioral Health Grant. Set asides for women, HIV, etc. Criminal Justice, TASC funding would be effected. We need to contact our congressman in our area. Sometimes face to face is effective. We can act as individual Board members, providers, programs, etc. Federation, Gov's Institute, APNC can advocate. Randolph agrees we can get emails to keep Board members up to date. David Turpin will have information. There may be no services through LME if the plan is approved. It is the historical observation that money goes to mental health when it's not designated for substance abuse..

Ethics Statement is due on April 15. Barden will mail forms to Randy.

Lunch: Identify that we are with the SA Board. Joseph's.

Motion to adjourn made by Worth Bolton, seconded by Lidia Bly-Herman. Approved and adjourned.