

**NCSAPPB Board Meeting
Durham, North Carolina
March 9, 2018**

Members Present: Bert Wood, Laura Veach, Dottie Greene, Mark Crabtree, Mary Jane McGill, Dale Willetts, Jo Leblanc, Carol Hoffman, Elizabeth Ramos, Geri Miller, Cheryl Gentile, Al Mooney, Brenda Smith-Williams, Jane Peck, Richard Hicks, Kate Gomes, Angie Banther, Flay Lee, David Turpin, Johnny Bass

Members Absent: Fran Gordon, Starleen Scott-Robbins, Smith Worth

Public: Tony Beatty, Natasha Underwood, Linsey Patterson, Albert "Dwayne" President, Jeff King, Drake Davis

Staff: Barden Culbreth, Marcie Blevins, Nelson Harris, Randolph Cloud (consultant)

Call to Order: President Wood called the meeting to order and welcomed members and guests. The Board expressed its happiness that Jane could meet with us following a wreck on her drive from Charlotte.

Public Comment: Bert welcomed former Board Member Tony Beatty who brought five students from Central Piedmont Community College's addictions PACT Scholars program. Introductions followed.

Approval of the Agenda: Wood presented the agenda for approval. Hearing no changes, the meeting continued.

Ethics Awareness Statement: Wood reminded all Board members of their ethical obligations and asked for potential conflicts. Hearing none, the meeting continued.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Lee motioned to approve the previous meeting minutes. Crabtree seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

Financial Report: Wood recognized Treasurer Bass who presented the Board's quarterly Financial Report.

Ramos noted that the Board was a non-profit and noted that having a high balance should be a sign of strong fiscal position and an increase in fees was not warranted. Culbreth reported that the fees from IC&RC to the Board were or had increased and any potential fee increase would cover those rising costs.

President Wood reported that a significant portion of the Board's income was covered by the Prevention Block grant and that the grant was not a guaranteed source of income.

McGill motioned to approve the Financial Report. Gentile seconded and the Financial Report was accepted unanimously.

Government and Policy Update: Randolph Cloud reported on the recent activity at the NC General Assembly, including HB615 which appears to have stalled in the NC Senate. Discussion followed.

Administrators Report: Barden presented on the 2018 Election Board Member election schedule. Associate Director Katie Gilmore will return from maternity leave on April 1. He reminded Board members of their SEI and Ethics Training requirements.

Crabtree asked about reciprocity requirements between states considering HB615 stalling in the Senate. Wood recognized IC&RC President Turpin to answer. Turpin stated that there was a “gentleman’s understanding” to allow a time extension to states that were making effort to meet the new IC&RC standards.

IC&RC Report: Lee was recognized to discuss developments in the IC&RC and the Southeast District of IC&RC. He stated that North Carolina was far ahead in the Board’s relationship with its community colleges and universities. Several boards are working on social media ethics policies.

Culbreth reported that the Board was going to have to think strategically about funding delegates to IC&RC as its obligations mounted.

McGill noted that the NAADAC has an ethics policy on social media.

Existing Rules Review: The Board reviewed the Public Comments received as part of the Periodic Rules Review process. There was substantive input from the Board office and Committee chairs. One comment was received from Price Bowen, an LCAS recommending changes to the renewal trainings requirements, including the addition of a SUD and Domestic Violence required training option.

Turpin motioned to classify Rules as Necessary with Public Comment. Saxon-Greene seconded.

Discussion followed regarding the Existing Rules Review Process.

Motion carried and Culbreth was instructed to carry this report to the Rules Review Commission.

Officers Nomination Committee: Wood asked Turpin to present the slate of nominees for President and Secretary for 2018/2019. Turpin presented Laura Veach as President and Carol Hoffman as Secretary.

This slate will be voted on at the June meeting.

Nominations will continue to be accepted from the floor.

-Recess-

The Board went into recess at 9:35am.

The Board reconvened at 9:50am.

-End Recess-

Executive Committee: No report.

Standards Committee: Saxon-Greene reported on a very active committee. She recognized Laura Veach who presented an application from East Tennessee State University for Criteria C status. Banther motioned to approve this report. Lee seconded and the committee report was approved. Saxon-Greene abstained from voting.

Ethics Committee: Crabtree reported actions over the quarter, including 12 cases opened and 12 cases closed. The oldest case is from October 2017. He reported the rising number of complaints involving professionals who are also Certified Peer Support Specialists, though the Board does not have legal oversight of this group.

Discussion followed.

Wood asked for volunteers to meet with CPSS programs to emphasize the distinct nature of this program and to de-emphasize the “stepping stone” aspect towards CSAC. Board members McGill, Mooney, Turpin, and Veach were appointed as an ad hoc committee to meet with the UNC School of Social Work which oversees the CPSS program.

Wood thanked the Ethics Committee for its hard work reducing the number and longevity of cases.

Ramos praised Nelson Harris for his work as legal counsel moving cases to closure.

Quality Assurance Committee: McGill presented a committee report and recommendations, including changing the Practice Board statute to give accelerated application status to persons who complete Human Services Associates Degree with SAB/SUD concentrations at community colleges in North Carolina. These programs will be invited to the next QA meeting.

McGill presented on the Clinical Supervision Taskforce which will meet immediately following the Board meeting. The Taskforce is going to develop a survey focusing on Prevention and CCJP supervision models, test passage rate across schools, and the sources of how applicants get information from the Board office.

Nominations and Elections: Willetts reported on the Board election period and voting procedure. He presented on scholarship application received; Tamika Wade Brewington, Elizabeth Bost White, and Tierra Totten will receive these scholarships. Willetts reported that Board needed to continue better promoting its scholarships. He then proposed adding a mileage/per diem component to the Board’s scholarships. Discussion followed. Culbreth volunteered the Board staff for a training.

Willetts reported on the committee’s work to develop free webinars for the profession. Gomes has volunteered to present a training. Willetts asked for more volunteers from the Board, including staff and asked for a LearningBuilder tutorial.

Gomes asked if this training could help meet the need to clarify CPSS role in addictions treatment. Veach agreed with the Board’s role in clarifying this. She asked that the Board send out a newsletter discussing this.

Gentile motioned to accept committee scholarships selection. Banther seconded and the motion carried.

Unfinished Business: Ramos asked about the status of the new credential brochures. The office reported the last brochure was being finalized (CCJP).

New Business: None.

Adjourn: McGill motioned to adjourn and Lee seconded. The meeting was adjourned.