

STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY OF OHIO

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 4, 2013
RIFFE CENTER, ROOM 31 EAST B
COLUMBUS

BOARD MEMBERS

President*: Suzanne S. LeSure, Ph.D., Licensee Member, 2013
Secretary: Julie A. Harmon, Ph.D., Licensee Member, 2014
Kathryn R. Shroder, Ph.D., Licensee Member, 2013
Victor McCarley, Psy.D., Licensee Member, 2015
Alice Randolph, Ed.D., Licensee Member, 2015
Kenneth Drude, Ph.D., Licensee Member, 2016
Kathleen Borkowski, Consumer Advocate Member, 2016
Vacant, Consumer Advocate Organization Rep. Member, 2017
Steven Keller, Consumer Advocate Member, 2018

STAFF/BOARD LEGAL COUNSEL PRESENT

Ronald R. Ross, Ph.D., Executive Director; Carolyn Knauss, Investigator; Amanda Danko, Investigator; Roger F. Carroll, Board Counsel; Chiquana Campbell-Hancock, Executive Assistant

10:35AM MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY DR. LESURE

DR. HARMON CALLED THE ROLL

Dr. Harmon	Present
Dr. Shroder	Present
Mrs. Borkowski	Present
Dr. LeSure	Present
Mr. Keller	Absent (Illness)
Dr. McCarley	Present
Dr. Randolph	Present
Dr. Drude	Present

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 23, 2013 MINUTES

Dr. LeSure invited comments about the August 23, 2013 special meeting draft minutes distributed with the agenda. The minutes were not subject to comment or changes. Dr. Drude made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; Dr. Shroder second.

A vote was taken:*

Aye: Dr. Drude; Dr. McCarley; Dr. Randolph; Dr. Harmon; Dr. Shroder; Mrs. Borkowski
Nay: None
Abstain: None

The motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. LeSure began her final meeting as president by expressing deep gratitude to the members of the Board for their commitment, dedication, and hard work on numerous board initiatives during a very demanding year. She noted successes in the areas of a revised oral examination, completing a rules package to regulate certified Ohio behavior analysts, and a total overhaul and update of the policy and procedure manual as examples. Members of the Board and Dr. Ross expressed their thanks to Dr. LeSure for her steady hand, leadership, and dedication during her presidency.

¹ Year Board Member term ends (terms expire October 5 or December 4 if not re-appointed or replaced)

* President votes only to break a tie

School Psychology Examination Committee Appointment. Next, Dr. LeSure, upon the recommendation of the Ohio School Psychologist Association and with a strong endorsement from Dr. Shroder, appointed Robert J. Kubick, Ph.D., license #SP527, to the school psychology examination committee for a term beginning October 4, 2013 and ending August 31, 2018.

Meeting Scheduling. There was consensus to hold a business meeting on December 2, 2013, during which a meeting schedule for 2014 will be decided.

ASPPB Annual Meeting. The Annual Business Meeting of the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB) will be held in Las Vegas October 16-20, 2013. Dr. LeSure noted that Dr. McCarley will be making a presentation and campaigning for the vacant Member-at-Large position on the ASPPB Board of Directors. Well wishes were offered by members to Dr. McCarley. Dr. Drude will also attend. Dr. Ross will attend as Chair of the Board Administrators and Registrars Committee, with travel expenses to be reimbursed by ASPPB.

CONSENT AGENDA: BUDGET REPORT; ENFORCEMENT REPORT; WORKFORCE PLAN

The consent agenda was presented and reviewed. Some questions about expenditures were briefly addressed. Dr. Ross offered his thanks to Mrs. Hancock for her work on handling revenue and conducting reconciliations in an accurate and timely manner.

The enforcement report was reviewed. Discussion focused on the increase in open investigations and the critical need to have a full board to handle the investigative caseload. The stress on the investigative staff and Dr. Ross to manage a relatively large and complicated caseload was discussed. Dr. Ross emphasized that the past year has required that his attention be focused in the areas of policy and rule-writing, and that he would prefer to spend more time in the enforcement area. He has started a regular status and strategy meeting to be attended by the investigators and him.

Finally, the 2013-14 Workforce Plan that Dr. Ross completed for the Office of the Governor was briefly discussed. Dr. McCarley pointed out that his academic degree was listed incorrectly on the table of organization and that other members' credential should also be listed (e.g., Mr. Keller's Juris Doctor degree). Dr. Drude suggested that when appropriate, the Board's orientation manual should be noted in the workforce plan and other members and Dr. Ross agreed. Dr. McCarley asked about the impact on staff resources with the pending regulation of certified Ohio behavior analysts. Dr. LeSure noted that the issue was listed as an "internal challenge" and Dr. McCarley clarified that he was interested in whether the new certificate and resources were being accounted for. Dr. Ross reported that it is unclear how busy the new credential will keep the staff, but that other jurisdictions have reported that complaints tend to be minimal. The primary resources will go into issuing certificates and building a special application and biennial renewal form. Dr. Harmon expressed pleasure that this is an annual plan and that staffing and resource issues can be revisited in a year. Dr. Ross offered his thanks to the staff for their hard work and focus and shared with the Board that his work load has been consistently more substantial over the past year due to various mandates and the Board's initiatives relative to updating critical documents and processes.

ENTRANCE EXAMINER REPORT

Dr. Ronald Ross

The Entrance Examiner Report as distributed with the agenda was presented to the Board.

**ENTRANCE EXAMINER'S REPORT FY13 Q1
LICENSURE/REINSTATEMENT/THIRTY-DAY PRACTICE AUTHORIZATION
6/26/2013 THROUGH 9/30/2013**

PSYCHOLOGISTS: Under the respective Ohio Revised Code sections

4732.12:

Gretchen E. Wilhelm, Ph.D.	#7042	Issued: 7/15/2013
Jamie L. Jackson, Ph.D.	#7043	Issued: 7/16/2013
Danielle R. Probst, Ph.D.	#7044	Issued: 7/16/2013
Jennifer A. Esterman, Psy.D.	#7045	Issued: 7/16/2013
Matthew D. Meara, Ph.D.	#7046	Issued: 7/16/2013
Jaime Stovering, Psy.D.	#7048	Issued: 7/16/2013
Benjamin W. Fields, Ph.D.	#7050	Issued: 7/22/2013
Jonathan J. Shelton, Psy.D.	#7053	Issued: 7/29/2013
Latisha M. Gathers, Psy.D.	#7054	Issued: 7/29/2013
Russell T. Fox, Ph.D.	#7055	Issued: 7/29/2013
Heather M. Pederson, Ph.D.	#7057	Issued: 8/7/2013
Lauren K. O'Hara, Ph.D.	#7059	Issued: 8/13/2013
Alison R. Moses, Ph.D.	#7060	Issued: 8/13/2013
Shamell T. Brandon, Psy.D.	#7063	Issued: 8/19/2013
Cynthia A. Austin, Ph.D.	#7066	Issued: 8/19/2013
Jeanette S. Biermann, Ph.D.	#7067	Issued: 9/4/2013
Courtney A. Gotschall, Psy.D.	#7068	Issued: 9/4/2013
Katherine W. Junger, Ph.D.	#7069	Issued: 9/4/2013
Grace D. Shelby, Ph.D.	#7070	Issued: 9/17/2013
Matthew A. Capezzuto, Ph.D.	#7071	Issued: 9/17/2013
Jennifer D. Lamanna, Ph.D.	#7072	Issued: 9/17/2013
Rose L. Schroedl, Ph.D.	#7074	Issued: 9/20/2013
Brian T. Wymbs, Ph.D.	#7076	Issued: 9/20/2013
Frances A. Wymbs, Ph.D.	#7077	Issued: 9/20/2013
William H. Covert II, Ph.D.	#7078	Issued: 9/20/2013
Tyanna C. Snider, Psy.D.	#7079	Issued: 9/20/2013

4732.15:

Laura Boxley, Ph.D.	#7047- Michigan	Issued: 7/16/2013
Helena A. Rempala, Ph.D.	#7049- Kentucky	Issued: 7/22/2013
Abigail L. Matthews, Ph.D.	#7051- Texas	Issued: 7/25/2013
Melissa A. Gerstle, Ph.D.	#7052- Texas	Issued: 7/25/2013
Allison G. Snyder, Ph.D.	#7056- LA, CT	Issued: 8/7/2013
Amy M. Meyer, Psy.D.	#7058- Indiana	Issued: 8/13/2013
Kathryn M. Bell, Ph.D.	#7061- Illinois	Issued: 8/19/2013
Beth E. Lebo, Psy.D.	#7062- North Carolina	Issued: 8/19/2013
Bridget Hagood, Psy.D.	#7064- Indiana	Issued: 8/19/2013
Canice E. Crerand, Ph.D.	#7065- Pennsylvania	Issued: 8/19/2013
M. Wayne Kennedy, Psy.D.	#7073- Missouri	Issued: 9/17/2013
Catherine L. Herzog, Ph.D.	#7075- Michigan	Issued: 9/20/2013

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST:

Marla N. Arnold, Ph.D.	#SP602	Issued: 9/23/2013
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REINSTATEMENTS:

Alison Flowers, Psy.D.	#6824	Issued: 7/3/2013
Donna Mayerson, Ph.D.	#5379	Issued: 7/30/2013
Sipra Guha, Ph.D.	#4270	Issued: 9/3/2013

THIRTY-DAY PRACTICE [4732.22(B)]

Stephen Gerard Ross, Psy.D.	Indiana	Issued: 7/1/2013
Jean A. Deters, Psy.D.	Kentucky	Issued: 7/23/2013
Ray Kamoo, Ph.D.	Michigan	Issued: 7/24/2013
M. Wayne Kennedy, Psy.D.	Missouri	Issued: 8/20/2013
Sue R. Beers, Ph.D.	Pennsylvania	Issued: 8/20/2013

Dr. McCarley stated that he would abstain from voting on the issuance of licenses to Jennifer A. Esterman, Psy.D, Latisha M. Gathers, Psy.D., or Shamell T. Brandon, Psy.D.

Dr. Randolph offered a motion to approve the licensure actions as presented in the Entrance Examiner's Report with the abstentions noted above; Dr. Drude second.

A vote was taken:

Aye: Dr. Drude; Mrs. Borkowski; Dr. McCarley; Dr. Randolph; Dr. Harmon; Dr. Shroder
Nay: None
Abstain: As noted above

The motion carried.

ANNUAL ETHICS TRAINING/OHIO ETHICS LAW REVIEW

Dr. Ross reviewed Governor Kasich's Executive Order 2012-001K, which requires annual ethics training for board members and staff. Dr. Ross distributed informational bulletins published by the Ohio Ethics Commission specifically for board and commission members. The members signed for the bulletins. Dr. Ross reminded the Board that completing a one-hour ethics law overview via webinar is part of this year's ethics training. He sent a hyperlink via email for members to access the webinar and notify him when it has been completed before the December 2 Board meeting. The Board was in agreement with this plan. Dr. Ross reported that he and the staff would complete the webinar during an upcoming staff meeting. Dr. McCarley suggested that the Ohio Ethics Law, the information bulletins, and the webinar be placed on the December 2, 2013 meeting agenda so that any follow-up and questions can be addressed to bring the training to a closure for the year.

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION MANUAL UPDATE

Dr. LeSure turned the Board's attention to the working draft of the New Member Orientation Manual. Dr. Drude reported that he, Dr. McCarley, and Dr. Ross are seeking final comments and feedback so that the manual can be approved during the December 2, 2013 meeting. Dr. Drude reviewed the history of the manual and its purpose, adding that there will be a table of contents once the draft is final and page numbers are known. Discussion followed relative to having paper copies vs. an online copy inly. Dr. Harmon suggested that another appendix should be added and contain the Ohio Ethics Law. She also commented on how helpful the section on the "Sunshine Laws" is, and stated that it could be helpful to have narrative in the manual explicitly stating the reasons why certain topics must be discussed in public session. Dr. Shroder pointed out a typographical error, which Dr. Ross stated should read "JCARR." Dr. Drude noted this. Drs. LeSure and McCarley agreed that additional narrative about the role and expectations of the Board president could be very useful, to supplement the Board policy on this.

Dr. Randolph suggested that photographs of each member might be considered for an appendix. She also asked that there be uniformity during meetings of the Board in terms of addressing one another, because there has been variability between using "Dr." at times for licensee members and the executive director, and first names for consumer advocate members. There was some agreement that formal titles lend to a stilted feel, and that the use of first names during meetings was appropriate, so long as it was consistent. Members emphasized that uniformity and consistency was the issue, not any personal needs to be addressed formally. There was strong consensus that continuing the use of formal titles in the meeting minutes was appropriate.

Mrs. Borkowski remarked that she was impressed with the work done on the New Member Orientation Manual. Dr. Harmon echoed that assertion.

There was discussion about the differentiation of duties between the staff investigator and the supervising board member of a given complaint. Perspectives were shared about the supervising member's role, and there was general consensus that investigative summaries with primary evidence is the best information for the member, and that the staff is responsible for conducting the investigation pursuant to policy and directives from the executive director. Dr. Ross emphasized that members should not be receiving packets of complaint materials and be responsible for teasing out the issues. Dr. Harmon called the process "collaborative," with the member serving to ensure that allegations are investigated fairly and thoroughly and to provide feedback and direction to the investigators on clinical issues.

Dr. Drude made notes as members offered comment for additions and points of clarification to the manual.

The board took a brief break at 12:10PM and then had a working lunch, during which the service of Drs. Shroder and LeSure was recognized.

Comments resumed about the New Member Orientation Manual, with Dr. Drude making notes for the working draft. Issues raised included: board member liability when driving a personal vehicle on state business; ensuring that statements in public are prefaced by clarification that the member is not speaking for the Board; how to reference and use Roberts Rules of Order during meetings; restructuring the manual by moving the hearings section to later in the document; correction of a few typographical errors.

Drs. Harmon and McCarley and Mrs. Borkowski initiated a series of compliments by members to Dr. Drude for his persistence and focus on updating the manual into a very useful and important document.

**INTERPRETATION/POLICY PROPOSAL IN RE: ORC 4732.22 (B):
30-DAY TEMPORARY PERMISSION AND TELEPSYCHOLOGY**

Attention was turned to a draft updated application for permission to practice in Ohio for no more than thirty days annually without a license pursuant to ORC 4732.22 (B). Dr. Drude and Dr. Ross made a proposal rooted in an assertion that Telepsychology is so embedded in the fabric of professional psychological practice, and that Dr. Ross fields questions from out-of-state psychologists with patients who will be visiting or working in Ohio for a brief period (e.g., 2-3 weeks). The psychologists who bother to call are trying to follow the rules and determine if conducting sessions with their patients via telephone or live chat is permissible. The impetus for suggesting that Telepsychology should be allowed under the 30-day permit is that technology can and does, at times, drive law and rule interpretation. The proposal would only allow Telepsychology to be practiced under Ohio rules and only with pre-existing patients of the psychologist not licensed in Ohio.

Dr. Randolph raised concerns about a "slippery slope" that could evolve should a psychologist receive a 30-day permit and enter Ohio only to conduct multiple evaluations for a day or two and then set up a "part-time" practice under the law and new interpretation. Clarification was offered, and Dr. Randolph expressed understanding, while asserting that the issue seems to need more study. It was agreed that the application would be amended to clarify that the service recipient in Ohio must be a current patient of the psychologist licensed in another jurisdiction. Dr. Ross thanked Dr. Randolph for her perspective and asked whether this issue should be tabled for now or perhaps piloted. Dr. LeSure pointed to two options: table it; or, temporarily table it pending an amended application and more time to consider Dr. Randolph's concerns. Dr. Drude voiced his preference to temporarily table it and revised the application.

Dr. McCarley asked how this might affect the pending regulation of behavior analysts. Dr. LeSure clarified that distance communication is not referenced in the ABA law or rules adopted by the Board.

Dr. Drude made a motion that the application for 30-day practice permission under ORC 4732.22 (B) shall be amended in line with the discussion held and that the option for telepsychology practice under very narrow parameters shall be available beginning January 1, 2014, with a revisiting of the data and processes six months hence; Dr. Randolph second.

A vote was taken:

Aye: Dr. Drude; Mrs. Borkowski; Dr. McCarley; Dr. Randolph; Dr. Harmon; Dr. Shroder
Nay: None
Abstain: None

The motion carried.

DR. HARMON MADE A MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSES OF: 1) CONSIDERING AN INVESTIGATION OR A COMPLAINT AGAINST A BOARD LICENSE PURSUANT TO ORC 121.22 (G)(1); 2) DISCUSSING THE BOARD'S ORAL EXAMINATION QUESTIONS, WHICH ARE TRADE SECRETS AND MATTERS THAT FEDERAL LAW, RULES, OR STATE STATUTES REQUIRE THAT THE BOARD KEEP CONFIDENTIAL; AND 3) CONSIDERING PROMOTION AND/OR COMPENSATION OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE; DR. RANDOLPH SECOND.

DR HARMON CONDUCTED A ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dr. Harmon	Yes
Dr. Shroder	Yes
Mrs. Borkowski	Yes
Dr. LeSure	Yes
Dr. McCarley	Yes
Dr. Randolph	Yes
Dr. Drude	Yes

1:10PM EXECUTIVE SESSION BEGAN

2:30PM DR. HARMON CALLED THE ROLL

Dr. Harmon	Present
Dr. Shroder	Present
Mrs. Borkowski	Present
Dr. LeSure	Present
Mr. Keller	Absent (Illness)
Dr. McCarley	Present
Dr. Randolph	Present
Dr. Drude	Present

Dr. LeSure gaveled the Board back into public session and invited motions relative to the consent agreements reviewed in executive session.

Dr. Randolph made a motion to approve **consent agreement #1** discussed in executive session; Dr. Drude second.

A vote was taken:

Aye: Dr. Drude; Mrs. Borkowski; Dr. McCarley; Dr. Randolph
Nay: None
Abstain: Dr. Harmon; Dr. Shroder

The motion carried.

This vote resulted in the following action:

Licensee: Barbara Bergman, Ph.D.
Cincinnati

License: 2045

Action: Practice restriction prohibiting the rendering of any professional opinions and/or recommendations relative to claims of mental retardation in death penalty specification cases (i.e., Atkins evaluations) in any court in the state of Ohio and in any federal court unless she obtains additional education and training in conducting Atkins evaluations and obtains prior written approval by the Board. The Board has sole discretion for granting or denying any future request to conduct these evaluations. The Board's decisions are binding and not subject to appeal.

Reason: In lieu of additional proceedings

Dr. McCarley made a motion to approve **consent agreement #2** discussed in executive session; Dr. Randolph second.

A vote was taken:

Aye: Dr. Drude; Mrs. Borkowski; Dr. McCarley; Dr. Randolph
Nay: None
Abstain: Dr. Harmon; Dr. Shroder

The motion carried.

This vote resulted in the following action:

Licensee: William Friday, Ph.D.
Columbus
License: 4081
Action: Permanent license revocation
Reason: In lieu of additional proceedings

Dr. Harmon made a motion to approve **consent agreement #3** discussed in executive session; Dr. McCarley second.

A vote was taken:

Aye: Mrs. Borkowski; Dr. McCarley; Dr. Harmon; Dr. Shroder
Nay: None
Abstain: Dr. Drude; Dr. Randolph

The motion carried.

This vote resulted in the following action:

Licensee: Michael Misja, Ph.D.
Parma Heights
License: 4767
Action: Twenty-one (21) day license suspension, effective December 11, 2013;
Remedial continuing education.
Reason: Negligence; Confidentiality; Non-sexual dual relationship

Dr. Randolph made a motion to approve **consent agreement #4** discussed in executive session; Dr. Shroder second.

A vote was taken:

Aye: Mrs. Borkowski; Dr. McCarley; Dr. Randolph; Dr. Harmon; Dr. Shroder
Nay: None
Abstain: Dr. Drude

The motion carried.

This vote resulted in the following action:

Licensee: Debra K. Goran, Ph.D.
Rocky River
License: 4606
Action: Reprimand; Permanent practice restriction prohibiting the rendering in writing or by testimony any opinions relative to domestic relations matters, including but not limited to parenting, parenting time, and the allocation of parental rights and responsibilities.
Reason: Negligence; Competence; Welfare of the client

ORAL EXAMINATION SCHEDULING PROCESSES

Dr. Ross/Board
Mrs. Chiquana Hancock

Dr. LeSure and Dr. McCarley began a discussion about the scheduling of the oral examinations for psychologist licensure. The themes of accommodating candidates for licensure, shared responsibility among members, and communication relative to scheduling were heard during discussion. Dr. Ross emphasized that substantial resources were required to conduct approximately 130 oral examinations annually, especially in light of Board policy mandating two examiners except under emergency situations (e.g., illness). There was consensus that the scheduling process was taking up substantial resources of Mrs. Campbell-Hancock, in addition to leading to a disparity relative to the gross number of examinations being administered by certain members due to geography, practice setting, and availability. Mrs. Campbell-Hancock noted that communication relative to scheduling dates for the oral examinations is critical and that she does her best to try to accommodate members, while also trying to meet the needs of 10-20 candidates requesting oral examinations at any given time.

The concept of holding oral examinations in Columbus six times annually was raised by a number of members. Dr. Ross reported that having candidates travel to the state or provincial capital to be examined is not uncommon across the jurisdictions of the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards. Four (4) administrations would be held on the day before or after the quarterly meeting of the Board by having teams of two (2) conduct between (5) and (7) examinations. The Board and Dr. Ross agreed that conducting eight or more examinations on a given day is not desirable in terms of remaining sharp and accurate, given that examinations can take between 20-45 minutes. Dr. Randolph and Dr. Harmon made suggestions about being consistent when implementing new policy. Dr. Harmon suggested that 2014 would be a good time to begin to hold oral examinations in Columbus, given that the updated oral examination will be administered beginning after the New Year. Dr. Ross stated that any change in the process of conducting oral examinations will require time for candidates, supervisors, faculty, and prospective employers to get accustomed to, and that there will likely be complaints about moving away from the "regional" scheduling that has become problematic for staff and members because of policy, geography, availability, and common sense.

Dr. LeSure asked if there should be a policy written to reflect the Board's consensus that oral examinations should be held in Columbus, minimum of six times annually, conducted by teams of two examiners. By consensus the Board directed Dr. Ross to draft a policy regarding this new oral examination process. Dr. Ross stated that having a full slate of appointees will be critical to have this process work, and that if he administered exams that there could eventually be ten (10) total examiners, giving the Board five (5) teams of two (2). He also noted that Mrs. Borkowski and any upcoming appointees will quickly learn the administration process by sitting in with a seasoned examiner. Dr. Shroder read from the regulations, and stated that the Board could have other psychologists, such as former members of the Board, conduct oral examinations, too. There was consensus that the regulation stating "under the direction of the Board" seemed to allow for that.

Dr. Harmon reported that she would look into conducting oral examinations on Tuesday December 3, the day following the next Board meeting. There was general consensus that holding oral examinations on December 3 would work. In addition, the Board agreed to hold a business meeting on Friday February 7 and oral examinations on Thursday February 6. The Board agreed to schedule generally quarterly meetings and oral examinations for 2014 during the December 2 meeting.

Dr. McCarley stated that he would like to see a limit set to ensure that candidates can be examined in a timely manner after the application is deemed complete and signed by the entrance examiner, such as 90 days. Dr. Randolph suggested that a schedule should be published up to a year in advance so that candidates could plan accordingly. Dr. Harmon noted that she would like to see a statement on the Board's homepage regarding the oral examination schedule for 2014. There was additional discussion about scheduling and cancellations raised by Dr. Ross. Mrs. Campbell-Hancock stated that she wanted to clarify that under this model, all license certificates and cards would be mailed along with a "welcome letter" and Mandatory Continuing Education instructions.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Ross

HB83 (ORC 4732 "Housekeeping" Bill) Update. Dr. Ross reported that he recently learned that HB83 is scheduled for sponsor testimony on October 16, and should hopefully be up for proponent testimony on October 23 or 30, when he will testify. There is no controversy surrounding the updates to our law, and expressed hope that it will pass the Senate with some technical changes from the Applied Behavior Analyst bill and get squared away for enactment late this year or in early 2014.

ABA Rules Update. Dr. LeSure graciously stated that Dr. Ross did an excellent job shepherding the new rules into shape, and that they are out for public comment through the Governor's Common Sense Initiatives Office. Dr. Ross thanked Dr. LeSure for her support, leadership, and omnipresence throughout the rule-writing process. He reported that he hopes that the rules become effective on a date in January, 2014, when the Board will begin to accept applications from candidates to become certified Ohio behavior analysts.

Executive Order 2103-05K: Relevant Military Education and Training. Dr. Ross called attention to the initial submission made to the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation relative to their initiative to recognize veterans' substantially equivalent education and training toward occupational licensure and to streamline the licensure process for military veterans and their spouses. He reviewed current fee waivers extended to active duty service members for biennial license renewal and also MCE waivers. Dr. Harmon discussed some practical implications of state initiatives and licensure requirements from her perspective as a psychologist working in a U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs health system. Dr. McCarley reported that he had sent Dr. Ross information about this issue as related to qualifications for licensure. There was general consensus that the initial submission to the Governor's Office was reasonable, although there was a desire to hold more discussion specific to allowing for some loosened training timelines for those with multiple deployments at the December 2, 2013 meeting.

ASPPB Call for Comments due 11/15/13: Maintenance of Competence for Licensure. Dr. Ross called attention to the Call for Comments on the ASSPPB Maintenance of Competence for Licensure (MOCAL) document. He called specific attention to Dr. Drude's written comments, which were disseminated with the agenda. There was general discussion and agreement with the major issues raised by Dr. Drude relative to the concept of "competencies" in professional psychology, and that it seems to be premature to develop a set of guidelines to maintain "competencies" prior to the profession agreeing on exactly what the core competencies are. Dr. Drude emphasized that he liked the concept of "maintenance of competencies," although he stated that from a developmental perspective the current document was "not ready for prime time." Dr. Harmon commented on the narrow perspective that the document seemed to take by referring to it as insular. By consensus the Board agreed that Dr. Ross would provide comments to the MOCAL draft as drafted by Dr. Drude.

