

**Minutes of the  
Chemical Dependency Professionals Board Meeting  
December 10, 2007**

**Members present:**

Larry Anthony	Jerry Carter	Deb Chambers
Craig Comedy	Dianne Fidelibus	Joe Gay
Ann Hamilton	Jessica Horne	Carolyn Ireland
Karen Moody-Bierly	J. Craig Wright	

**Members absent:**

Richard Whitney

**Others present:** Bob Field, OCDPB Staff  
Amanda Ferguson, OCDPB Staff  
Mary Swank, OCDPB Staff

The meeting of the Chemical Dependency Professionals Board convened at the State Library, Columbus, Ohio on 12/10/07 at 10:05 a.m.

Chair J. Carter called the meeting to order.

Approval of the 10/1/07 minutes was motioned by K. Moody-Bierly, C. Ireland and approved by the board.

Re-introductions were made for returning member J. Craig Wright. Announcements were made that this could be the last board meeting for J. Carter, K. Moody-Bierly, A. Hamilton and J. Gay. B. Field thanked them all for their service to the board.

K. Moody-Bierly and B. Field gave the Treasurer's Report. Expenses are currently tracking within the Board's appropriation authority. B. Field reviewed several one time expenditures and explained a few unusual expense spikes. B. Field stated that revenues continue to lag. B. Field states that he was over-aggressive in budgeting in certain categories. He estimates the Board is operating at around \$17,800 in the red at present.

The Board had a lengthy discussion of lagging revenue trends and possible causes. Some concerns discussed included ODADAS allowing other licensees to practice in the field, aging population issues, job shortages due to dollar shortages, scope of practice issues, advocacy, etc.

L. Anthony gave the Education Committee Report. The committee held two accreditation trainings in November. The committee will be meeting immediately

following this meeting to plan the next steps to launch the program. L. Anthony thanked Mary Swank for all her help in this effort.

B. Field gave the Prevention Committee Report. The new prevention exam continues to perform well among new testers. Repeat testers continue to struggle. The committee hypothesizes lack of preparation and/or poor testing skills. They are considering holding a focus group of failing testers to probe the issue further. The committee recommends that the exam requirement be moved back to the OCPS I level in the proposed statutory changes the board previously approved. C. Comedy asked what will happen if the exam results become poor again. B. Field stated that the ICRC exam would not be written into statute just the statement that an exam would be required. This would allow the board the ability to change exams if needed in the future. D. Chambers asked if scope was being defined further by this committee and B. Field said they would be looking at that issue.

MOTION: To re-establish the exam requirement at the OCPS I level in the proposed statutory changes. D. Fidelibus, K. Moody-Bierly Approved

B. Field also handed out a new training requirement grid that the committee has been working on for the proposed OCPP level.

J. Carter gave the Treatment Committee report. He stated that the committee is meeting regularly and is well represented by various members in the field. The committee has been working on a proposal of suggested changes to scope and requirements for the treatment credentials. The committee has been considering in these changes how to attract other licensed professionals and how to promote education and advancement. J. Carter asked board members to review the current draft of the proposal and submit their comments to the committee. The board had a brief discussion of overall first impressions of the draft proposal. J. Carter stated that opinions shared by board members were consistent with those of committee members.

C. Ireland gave the Ethics Committee report. She indicated the committee met on 11/14/07 and reviewed nine cases but did not have any action items to bring the board at this time. Twenty cases remain under investigation.

B. Field gave the Executive Director's report. He shared with board members a test development survey that ICRC has asked our licensees to participate in for the creation of the new written exam. He further shared the minutes of the ICRC Fall meeting and highlighted that ICRC will cease to support the CPM exam once the new written exam is in place.

Under New Business, the Board discussed ICRC's moves to eliminate the CPM examination. Staff sent a notice to the field regarding the possible elimination in March or June of 2008 per the executive committee which met and determined that the board should cease using the CPM exam in conjunction with ICRC's launch of the new written exam.

MOTION: To formally approve the Executive Committee's recommendation to cease using the CPM oral examination in conjunction with the launch of ICRC's new written examination in 2008.

J. Wright, D. Fidelibus

Approved

A. Ferguson informed the Board of the feedback she had been receiving from licensees regarding the upcoming elimination of the orals. A repeated request was that individuals who prefer to take the oral exam before it is eliminated hoped to be able to take the oral exam prior to having all application requirements met.

MOTION: Allow individuals to take the oral examination prior to the completion of all application requirements. Licensure will only be awarded once all requirements are met. K. Moody-Bierly, C. Ireland Approved

The board reviewed proposed meeting dates for 2008.

MOTION: To approve meeting dates for 2008 as 2/11/08, 4/14/08, 6/9/08, 8/11/08, 10/20/08, 12/8/08. All meetings will begin at 10:00 am.

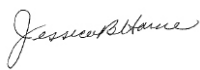
The board discussed nomination of officers for 2008. The Executive Committee met to work up a proposed slate in the absence of a nominating committee. Their slate included R. Whitney for chair, C. Ireland for vice-chair, J. Horne for secretary and D. Fidelibus for treasurer. R. Whitney declined the nomination for chair so the Executive Committee will meet to discuss a revised slate.

The Board discussed the importance of getting open board seats filled. One LICDC seat is currently open and four additional seats will be open on 12/23/07.

The next Board meeting is 2/11/08.

MOTION to adjourn C. Ireland, L. Anthony

Approved



Jessica Horne, Secretary



Dianne Fidelibus, Chair