

**Minutes of the
Chemical Dependency Professionals Board Meeting
April 11, 2005**

Members present:

Larry Anthony	Jerry Carter	Joe Gay
Diane Haller	Dana Harlow	Jessica Horne
Carolyn Ireland	Fred Karaffa	David Long
Linda Swenson	J. Craig Wright	

Members absent:

Victoria Crews Karen Moody-Bierly

Others present: Amanda Ferguson, OCDPB Staff; Bob Field, OCDPB Staff;
Michael Wise, AAG Rep

The meeting of the Chemical Dependency Professionals Board convened at the State Library, Columbus, Ohio on 4/11/05 at 10:00 a.m.

Chair L. Swenson called the meeting to order. Approval of the 2/14/05 minutes motion by J. Carter, second by L. Anthony passed by the board.

Larry Anthony presented the Education Committee Report. He indicated that the committee is working to finalize the written documents needed to begin the accreditation process. The committee is planning to meet in May and report back to the board at the June meeting with documents for board review.

Amanda Ferguson presented the Prevention Committee Report. She indicated that the prevention on-line survey has been completed by almost 400 individuals. The committee will be meeting tomorrow to review the results of the survey and discuss next steps. The committee plans to focus on scope of practice issues, testing and education. A. Ferguson also updated the board on a recent prevention preceptor training that the board held. Jessica Horne further updated the board on issues surrounding the elimination of Drug Free Schools as a line item in the upcoming federal budget. She recommends that all members discuss this important issue with their legislators.

Fred Karaffa presented the Ethics Committee Report. The board reviewed processes for this committee and determined the following:

1. The Ethics Committee will bring cases before the board once the case has been reviewed, investigated, and a hearing held or waived. The board will then determine a final sanction.

2. The Ethics Committee will give a brief report to include summary of charges and rule violation to the board once a Notice of Opportunity has been issued. This will give the board time to review and ask questions before they need to determine a sanction.

J. Horne suggested that ethics sanctions be added to the board newsletter along with a section dedicated to updating and educating the field on common ethical violations. F. Karaffa also shared a powerpoint presentation he recently created on the ethics process. B. Field will disseminate the presentation to all board members electronically.

MOTION: F. Karaffa, second J. Carter PASSED (J. Gay abstained)

To accept the consent agreements indicating 6 month suspensions each for ethical violations committed by Della Jordan and Tammy Smith.

MOTION: D. Haller, second J. Horne PASSED

To enter executive session to discuss ethics violation updates.

MOTION: D. Haller, second J. Wright PASSED

To exit executive session. 11:00 am

Bob Field presented the Executive Director's Report. The board reviewed the 3rd Quarter Budget, and B. Field indicated that 4th Quarter projections would be made available soon. B. Field updated the board on the proposed consolidation. Linda and Bob will be meeting with Senate Finance committee members over the next few weeks to discuss their concerns. J. Gay and L. Swenson shared with the board the result of their testimony before the House regarding the budget. It was noted that Rep Peterson, who sponsored HB496, asked if the board would consider consolidating into ODADAS rather than the Department of Health. The board discussed this as a potential option. An additional option discussed involved giving CSA more authority over the boards. B. Field informed the board that our senate testimony is scheduled for May 4th at 9:30 am.

B. Field updated the board on the status of ICRC. He, A. Ferguson and J. Gay will be attending the ICRC spring meeting next week. The focus of the meeting will be discussions of a merger between ICRC and NAADAC. B. Field discussed ICRC budget issues, which included potential fee increase for the board. He also reviewed ICRC governance and the desire to see this change in upcoming meetings. A. Ferguson updated the board on a recent meeting she attend in NY with the IL, NY and FL boards to discuss the possible creation of a new credentialing association. IL, NY and FL will all stop using the ICRC written exam for AODA starting with the Sept 05 administration. They will be each using the Florida exam with modifications to include state specific questions. The board further discussed its options and alternatives to ICRC.

Under new business, the board discussed how to handle mail addressed to specific board members that comes to the office staff. It was determined that this mail would be forwarded to board members unopened.

Motion to adjourn made by J. Gay, second J. Carter

PASSED