

**Arkansas Department of Education
Professional Licensure Standards Board (PLSB)
Friday, October 9, 2009**

A meeting of the Professional Licensure Standards Board was held in the auditorium of the Arkansas Department of Education, on October 9, 2009. Members of the Board present were Dr. John Jones, Brenda Brown, Dr. Peggy Doss, Dr. Mitch Holifield, Kathy Howell, Sheila Jacobs, Don McGohan, Mona Moore, Marion Sibert, Dr. Tony Finley and Dr. Jerry Guess. Dale Query and Michelle Hayward were unable to attend. Guests in attendance were Mike Mertens-AAEA, Donna Morey-AEA, and Brooks Harrington-ADHE. ADE staffs in attendance were Ron Tolson, Beverly Williams and Tameka Parker.

There were eleven (11) voting members present, representing a quorum and two non-voting members present.

1. **Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order at 10:00am by Dr. Holifield.
2. **Approval of the Minutes –Friday, September 11, 2009** - Ms. Jacobs made a motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting date, seconded by Ms. Brown, motion passed unanimously.
 - a. Ms. Howell made a motion to post the Professional Licensure Standards Board minutes to the ADE website after approval has been made, dating back to July 1, 2009, seconded by Dr. Finley, motion passed unanimously.
3. **Fund Balance Report– \$ 517,655.17** The fund balance will start showing a decrease in funds, due to the Professional Licensure Standards Board (PLSB) moving to another location and having to pay rent, order office supplies, etc.
4. **ALP for Japanese** – Mr. Tolson discussed the benefits to having a Japanese ALP and handed out a draft form. After discussion Dr. Guess made a motion to endorse Japanese ALP for P-8 and 7-12, and the form will be changed accordingly, seconded by Mr. McGohan, motion passed unanimously
5. **Report of the Governor’s meeting with Arkansas College of Education Deans** – Dr. Jones handed out a summary and gave a brief discussion of what the Governor spoke on.
6. **Year End Code of Ethics Summary Report** – Ms. Williams showed a presentation and pointed out various statistics dealing with the first year of the Professional Licensures Standards Board allegations that were received.
7. **Update on questions regarding ethic allegations** – tabled until have response from the ADE legal staff.
8. **The Ethics Code and Use of Social Networking Tools** – tabled until next meeting after the team returned from the national meeting.

9. **Recognition of Departing Board Members** – Mr. McGohan made a motion to recognize board members with a plaque at their completion of terms, seconded by Dr. Doss, motion passed unanimously.

10. **Special Education PRAXIS Tests** – The ADE will collect data for the board.

11. **Other** – Ed Leadership

Next meeting date – November 13, 2009