

**Arkansas Department of Education  
Professional Licensure Standards Board (PLSB)  
Friday, December 11, 2009**

A meeting of the Professional Licensure Standards Board was held in the auditorium of the Arkansas Department of Education, on December 11, 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, Dr. Jerry Guess, Dale Query and Michelle Hayward. Guests in attendance were Mike Mertens-AAEA and Richard Hutchins-AEA. ADE staff members in attendance were Ron Tolson, Judy Mason, Michael Smith and Tameka Parker.

There were thirteen (13) voting members present, representing a quorum and one non-voting member present.

- 1. Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order at 10:00am by Dr. Holifield.
- 2. Approval of the Minutes –Friday, October 9, 2009** – Dr. Guess made a motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting date, seconded by Mr. McGohan, motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Fund Balance Report– \$ 634,347.60**
- 4. ALP Request – Julie Mobley: Library Information Sciences**-Ms. Mobley is currently pursuing a Specialist Degree in Library Information Sciences through the University of Central Missouri in Warrensburg. No institution in Arkansas offers this program. The ALP requested was approved by committee members through email communication. The committee further discussed the benefits of this request.
- 5. Ethics Code Concerns from the Ethics Sub-committee**– Mr. McGohan presented the committee with a list of concerns that the sub-committee has. The Sub-committee is concerned that there are serious ethical violations which are not clearly covered in the standards as written. Mr. McGohan gave brief examples, which were discussed. It was determined that this should be presented again for recommendations of possible changes or additions to the Code or to the appendices of the Code.
- 6. The Ethics Code and Use of Social Networking Tools** –The committee was presented with three different draft positions statements to review and discuss at the next meeting.
- 7. January Meeting Date (01/08/2010)**